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## Modification History

Not applicable.

## Performance Evidence

Evidence of the ability to complete tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit in the context of the job role, and:

- identify, evaluate and respond to aquatic emergencies according to organisational and legislative requirements
- identify and respond to all of the following signs and signals:
  - call for help
  - vertical body position
  - minimal or non-supportive leg action
  - vigorous arm movements
  - submerged or unconscious person
- perform the following non-swimming rescues:
  - reach
  - rope throw
  - throw flotation aid
- perform the following swimming rescues demonstrating the fitness and strength to tow a person in difficulty at least 10 metres with their mouth and nose above water to a point of safety:
  - accompanied
  - wade
  - non-contact tow
  - contact tow
- incorporate appropriate adjustments for each of the above rescues to ensure safety of self and others.

## Knowledge Evidence

Demonstrated knowledge required to complete the tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit:

- legislation, organisational policies and procedures and industry standards in relation to:
  - the safe conduct of water rescues
  - accurate completion of incident documentation

- common signs and signals of a person experiencing difficulties in the water and possible contributing factors:
  - call for help
  - vertical body position
  - minimal or non-supportive leg action
  - vigorous arm movements
  - submerged or unconscious person
- use and location of equipment types
- non-swimming rescue methods and techniques:
  - reach
  - rope throw
  - throw flotation aid
- swimming rescue methods and techniques:
  - accompanied
  - wade
  - non-contact tow
  - contact tow
- issues that arise during rescues and appropriate adjustments to ensure safety of self and others
- communication systems used during rescues to inform managers, other employees and emergency services of progress
- potential dangers in a range of aquatic environments and how to respond.

## Assessment Conditions

Skills must be demonstrated in:

- a workplace or simulated aquatic facility or environment such as an indoor pool, outdoor pool, or shallow water venue.

Assessment must ensure use of:

- pool safety equipment:
  - flotation devices
  - first aid facilities and equipment
  - ropes
  - suitable to perform a reach rescue
- participants to enable demonstration of all water rescue techniques and scenarios, these can be:
  - participants in a workplace, or
  - individuals who participate in project activities, role plays or simulated activities, set up for the purpose of assessment, within a training organisation.

Assessment activities that allow the individual to:

- demonstrate water rescue techniques and broader emergency responses in required emergency situation timeframes
- communicate with relevant personnel and emergency response services.

Assessors must satisfy the Standards for Registered Training Organisations' requirements for assessors.

## **Links**

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=1ca50016-24d2-4161-a044-d3faa200268b>