

Australian Government

UEENEEH186A Commission satellite and microwave communication systems

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Modification History

Not applicable.

Unit Descriptor

Unit Descriptor	1) Scope:
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1.1) Descriptor

This unit covers the setting-up and adjusting of satellite and microwave communication systems for optimum performance. It encompasses safe working practices, signal testing and analysis, adjusting equipment, following procedures and documenting.

Application of the Unit

Application of the Unit 2)

This unit is intended for competency development entry-level employment based programs incorporated in approved contracts of training or approved training programs. It may be used to augment previously acquired competencies.

Licensing/Regulatory Information

License to practice

3)

The skills and knowledge described in this unit do not require a license to practice in the workplace provided equipment is not connected to installation wiring at voltage above 50 V a.c. or 120 V d.c. However, practice in this unit is subject to regulations directly related to occupational health and safety and where applicable contracts of training such as apprenticeships.

License to practice

Note:

3)

1. Compliance with permits may be required in various jurisdictions and typically relates to the operation of plant, machinery and equipment such as elevating work platforms, powder operated fixing tools, power operated tools, vehicles, road signage and traffic control, lifting equipment and the like. Permits may also be required for some work environments such as confined spaces, working aloft, near live electrical apparatus and site rehabilitation.

2. Compliance may be required in various jurisdictions relating to currency in First Aid, confined space, lifting and risk safety measures.

Pre-Requisites

Prerequisite Unit(s)	4)					
Competencies	4.1)					
	Granting competency in this unit shall be made only after competency in the following unit(s) has/have been confirmed.					
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Literacy and numeracy skills	4.2) Participants are best equipped to achieve competency in this unit if they have reading, writing and numeracy skills indicated by the following scales. Description of each scale is given in Volume 2, Part 3 'Literacy and Numeracy'					
	Reading 3	Writing	3	Numeracy	3	

5)

Employability Skills Information

Employability Skills

This unit contains Employability Skills

The required outcomes described in this unit of competency contain applicable facets of Employability Skills. The Employability Skills Summary of the qualification in which this unit of competency is packaged will assist in identifying Employability Skill requirements.

Elements and Performance Criteria Pre-Content

6) Elements describe the essential outcomes of a competency standard unit Evidence Guide.

Elements and Performance Criteria

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PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

- Prepare to set-up 1.1 OHS procedures for a given work area are identified, obtained and understood.
 - 1.2 Established OHS risk control measures and procedures are followed in preparation for the work.
 - 1.3 Safety hazards that have not previously been identified are noted and established risk control measures are implemented.
 - 1.4 Appropriate personnel are consulted to ensure the work is co-ordinated effectively with others involved on the work site.
 - 1.5 Measurement parameters are identified by reviewing transmission/reception requirements and equipment manufacturer's instructions.
 - 1.6 Tools, equipment and testing devices needed for

ELEMENT PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

the work are obtained in accordance with established procedures and checked for correct operation and safety.

- 1.7 Preparatory work is checked to ensure no unnecessary damage has occurred and complies with requirements.
- 1.8 The need to test or measure live is determined in strict accordance with OHS requirements and when necessary conducted within established safety procedures.
- 1.9 Circuits are checked as being isolated where necessary in strict accordance OHS requirements and procedures.
- Set-up process 2.1 OHS risk control measures and procedures for measuring carrying out the work are followed.
 - 2.2 Testing/measuring devices are connected and set up in accordance with requirements for a particular control system.
 - 2.3 Measuring instruments are set up and adjusted in accordance with transmission/reception requirements and equipment manufacturer's instructions.
 - 2.4 Adjustments are made to provide optimum transmission/reception performance within regulatory requirements.
 - 2.5 Decisions for dealing with unexpected situations are made from discussions with appropriate persons and job specifications and requirements.
 - 2.6 Methods for dealing with unexpected situations are selected on the basis of safety and specified work outcomes.
 - 2.7 Setting-up is carried out efficiently without waste of materials or damage to apparatus, the surrounding environment or services and using sustainable energy principles.

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ELEMENT

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

- 3 Completion and 3.1 OHS risk control work completion measures and procedures are followed.
 - 3.2 Work site is cleaned and made safe in accordance with established procedures.
 - 3.3 Adjustment settings are documented and an appropriate person or persons notified in accordance with established procedures.

Required Skills and Knowledge

REQUIRED SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

8) This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level, required for this unit.

Evidence shall show that knowledge has been acquired of safe working practices and commissioning microwave and satellite communication systems.

All knowledge and skills detailed in this unit should be contextualised to current industry practices and technologies.

KS01-EH186A Electronic communications, satellite and microwave

Evidence shall show an understanding of electronic communications, satellite and microwave, applying safe working practices and relevant Standards, Codes and Regulations to an extent indicated by the following aspects:

T1. Propagation of electromagnetic waves through the atmosphere, transmission lines and waveguides including characteristic impedance, impedance matching, standing waves, microwave frequency bands

T2. Microwave device parameters involving wavelength, phase, VSWR, impedance matching, circuit parameters, amplifiers, transmission, reception, oscillation, noise figure, noise temperature

T3. Microwave devices and components

T4. Microwave operational constraints and operating parameters such as power, bandwidth, gain, efficiency, operational life, electrical parameters, stability, cooling, size, testing and device selection

- T5. Microwave measurements, test equipment and testing techniques
- T6. EMI/EMC, generation, suppression and reduction
- T7. Satellite communications systems encompassing:
- Types of satellite systems and sub-systems
- Earth station locality and antenna parameters
- Link specifications and link calculations
- Base band signalling processes
- Modulation and system access

T8. Commissioning electronic communication systems encompassing:

- Purpose of commissioning
- Commissioning planning and documentation
- Initial tests and adjustments
- Commissioning procedures

Evidence Guide

EVIDENCE GUIDE

9) The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment Guidelines for this Training Package.

The Evidence Guide forms an integral part of this unit. It must be used in conjunction with all parts of the unit and performed in accordance with the Assessment Guidelines of this Training Package.

Overview of 9.1) Assessment

> Longitudinal competency development approaches to assessment, such as Profiling, require data to be reliably gathered in a form that can be consistently interpreted over time. This approach is best utilised in Apprenticeship programs and reduces assessment intervention. It is the Industry-preferred model for apprenticeships. However, where summative (or final) assessment is used it must include the application of the competency in the normal work environment or, at a minimum, the application of the competency in a realistically simulated work environment. It is recognised that, in some circumstances, assessment in part or full can occur outside the workplace. However, it must be in accord with industry and regulatory policy.

Methods chosen for a particular assessment will be influenced by various factors. These include the extent of the assessment, the most effective locations for the assessment activities to take place, access to physical resources, additional safety measures that may be required and the critical nature of the competencies being assessed.

The critical safety nature of working with electricity, electrical equipment, gas or any other hazardous substance/material carries risk in deeming a person competent. Sources of evidence need to be 'rich' in nature to minimise error in judgment.

Activities associated with normal everyday work influence decisions about how/how much the data gathered will contribute to its 'richness'. Some skills are more critical to safety and operational requirements while the same skills may be more or less frequently practised. These points are raised for the assessors to consider when choosing an assessment method and developing assessment instruments. Sample assessment instruments are included for Assessors in the Assessment Guidelines of this Training Package. Critical aspects 9.2) of evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Before the critical aspects of evidence are considered all prerequisites shall be met.

Evidence for competence in this unit shall be considered holistically. Each Element and associated performance criteria shall be demonstrated on at least two occasions in accordance with the 'Assessment Guidelines – UEE11'. Evidence shall also comprise:

- A representative body of work performance demonstrated within the timeframes typically expected of the discipline, work function and industrial environment. In particular this shall incorporate evidence that shows a candidate is able to:
 - Implement Occupational Health and Safety workplace procedures and practices, including the use of risk control measures as specified in the performance criteria and range statement
 - Apply sustainable energy principles and practices as specified in the performance criteria and range statement
 - Demonstrate an understanding of the essential knowledge and associated skills as described in this unit. It may be required by some jurisdictions that RTOs provide a percentile graded result for the purpose of regulatory or licensing requirements.
 - Demonstrate an appropriate level of skills enabling employment
 - Conduct work observing the relevant Anti Discrimination legislation, regulations, polices and workplace procedures
- Demonstrated consistent performance across a representative range of contexts from the prescribed items below:
 - Commission microwave and satellite communications systems as described in 8) and including:
 - a. Identifying measurement parameters.
 - b. Setting-up and adjusting in accordance with communication systems requirements and equipment manufacturer's instructions.
 - c. Documenting adjustment settings with established procedures.
 - d. Dealing with unplanned events by drawing on essential

knowledge and skills to provide appropriate solutions incorporated in a holistic assessment with the above listed items.

Note:

Successful completion of relevant vendor training may be used to contribute to evidence on which competency is deemed. In these cases the alignment of outcomes of vendor training with performance criteria and critical aspects of evidence shall be clearly identified.

Context of and 9.3) specific resources for assessment

This unit should be assessed as it relates to normal work practice using procedures, information and resources typical of a workplace. This should include:

- OHS policy and work procedures and instructions.
- Suitable work environment, facilities, equipment and materials to undertake actual work as prescribed by this unit.

These should be part of the formal learning/assessment environment.

Note:

Where simulation is considered a suitable strategy for assessment, conditions must be authentic and as far as possible reproduce and replicate the workplace and be consistent with the approved industry simulation policy.

The resources used for assessment should reflect current industry practices in relation to commissioning microwave and satellite communication systems.

Method of 9.4) assessment This unit shall

This unit shall be assessed by methods given in Volume 1, Part 3 'Assessment Guidelines'.

Note:

Competent performance with inherent safe working practices is expected in the industry to which this unit applies. This requires that the specified essential knowledge and associated skills are assessed in a structured environment which is primarily intended for learning/assessment and incorporates all necessary equipment and facilities for learners to develop and demonstrate the essential knowledge and skills described in this unit.

Concurrent 9.5) assessment and relationship with other units

There are no concurrent assessment recommendations for this unit.

The critical aspects of occupational health and safety covered in unit UEENEEE101A and other discipline specific occupational health and safety units shall be incorporated in relation to this unit.

Range Statement

RANGE STATEMENT

10) This relates to the unit as a whole providing the range of contexts and conditions to which the performance criteria apply. It allows for different work environments and situations that will affect performance.

This unit shall be demonstrated using a representative range of microwave and satellite communication systems in setting-up and adjusting two microwave/satellite communication systems. It may include test plans.

Generic terms used throughout this Vocational Standard shall be regarded as part of the Range Statement in which competency is demonstrated. The definition of these and other terms that apply are given in Volume 2, Part 2.1.

Unit Sector(s)

Not applicable.

Competency Field

Competency Field 11)

Electronics