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**UETDRVC006 Control vegetation in the
vicinity of live electrical apparatus from
within the tree**

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Modification History

Release 1. This is the first release of this unit of competency in the UET Transmission, Distribution and Rail Sector Training Package Release 2.0.

Application

This unit involves the skills and knowledge required to control vegetation in the vicinity of live electrical apparatus from within the tree in the electricity supply industry (ESI).

It includes cutting and pruning, vegetation clearance zones, safe approach distances, specialised climbing tools, equipment, personal protective equipment (PPE) and climbing techniques.

The application of the skills and knowledge described in this unit may require a licence/registration to practice in the workplace.

Other conditions may also apply under state and territory legislative and regulatory licensing requirements which must be confirmed prior to commencing this unit.

Pre-requisite Unit

UETDREL002 Comply with environmental requirements

UETDREL006 Work safely in the vicinity of live electrical apparatus as a non-electrical worker

UETDRVC001 Apply work health and safety requirements for powerline vegetation control

UETDRVC007 Control vegetation using pruning techniques

UETDRVC009 Monitor vegetation control work in the vicinity of live electrical apparatus

Competency Field

Vegetation Control

Unit Sector

Not applicable.

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

Elements describe the essential outcomes.

Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.

1 Prepare to control vegetation from within the tree

- 1.1** Legislation, regulations, standards, codes of practice and organisational workplace requirements for the work to be performed are referred to and confirmed
- 1.2** Work permits are organised in accordance with workplace requirements
- 1.3** Work instruction is obtained and confirmed in accordance with workplace requirements
- 1.4** Hazards are identified, risks assessed and control measures are identified and applied
- 1.5** Tools, equipment and PPE required for work are determined, obtained and confirmed in safe working order
- 1.6** Routine pre-operational checks are completed to manufacturer specifications and workplace requirements
- 1.7** Worksite is prepared in accordance with the work instruction and workplace requirements
- 1.8** Safety observer role, responsibility and communication method are discussed and confirmed in accordance with workplace requirements
- 1.9** Safe approach distances and vegetation clearances for the work to be performed are determined and confirmed in accordance with workplace requirements

2 Perform vegetation control from within the tree

- 2.1** Legislation, regulations, standards, codes of practice and organisational workplace requirements for the work to be performed are applied and monitored
- 2.2** Lifting, working at heights and the use of tools, equipment and PPE are carried out in accordance with workplace requirements
- 2.3** Hazard control measures are monitored in accordance with workplace requirements
- 2.4** Safety observer is positioned to observe the work in accordance with workplace requirements
- 2.5** Communication methods between workers and safety observer are used in accordance with workplace

requirements

- 2.6 Safe approach distances are maintained when the work is being performed
 - 2.7 Safe climbing techniques are applied in accordance with workplace requirements
 - 2.8 Vegetation control work is performed in accordance with the work instruction and workplace requirements
 - 2.9 Incidents or unplanned events are responded to in accordance with workplace requirements
- 3 Complete work and documentation**
- 3.1 Completed work is checked for compliance against the work instruction and workplace requirements
 - 3.2 Work permits are signed off, where appropriate, in accordance with workplace requirements
 - 3.3 Tools and equipment are cleaned, checked and returned to storage in accordance with workplace requirements
 - 3.4 Worksite is cleaned and made safe in accordance with workplace requirements
 - 3.5 Incidents or unplanned events are reported in accordance with workplace requirements
 - 3.6 Work documentation is completed in accordance with workplace requirements

Foundation Skills

Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

Range of Conditions

Range is restricted to essential operating conditions and any other variables essential to the work environment.

Non-essential conditions may be found in the UET Transmission, Distribution and Rail Sector Training Package Companion Volume Implementation Guide.

Unit Mapping Information

This unit replaces and is equivalent to UETTDRVC21 Use climbing techniques to cut vegetation above ground near live electrical apparatus.

Links

Companion Volume Implementation Guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=229bace1-b7bc-4653-9300-dffb13ecfad7>