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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 9.0.

Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.

There must be evidence that the individual has reported on a place of potential cultural significance on at least one occasion and has:

- surveyed an area for landforms and sites that may hold cultural significance
- assessed any physical signs, and sourced appropriate information about previous activity in the area, to indicate culturally significant sites
- followed local Community cultural protocols
- maintained field notes on the location and details of sites in accordance with organisational procedures or guidelines
- implemented protection measures pending further investigation
- developed and documented an assessment report for places of cultural significance according to organisational and legislative standards
- applied work health and safety practices in the context of own work.

Knowledge Evidence

An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:

- appropriate communication with local Communities, including:
 - verbal and non-verbal
 - appropriate eye contact
 - using names of people and places
 - seeking permissions from authorised Community members and authorities
- types of cultural places in land-based or coastal zones and marine parks or protected waterways
- research methods used to investigate places of potential cultural significance including:
 - surveys and historical data

- communication with local Community members and authorities
- methods for recording and reporting information, including:
 - electronic means
 - field notes for collecting data on Country
 - photography and video equipment
 - recording voice communication
- threats to cultural places from both natural causes and human activity
- application of state or territory and Commonwealth legislation relevant to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander land management
- landforms, including caves and potential sites for rock art, flora, fauna and settings
- organisational procedures for reporting places of potential significance
- relevant protection measures for significant sites
- methods of locating position of site
- workplace health and safety procedures relevant to working on Country and reporting on places of cultural significance.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - skills must be demonstrated on Country and/or within an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- specifications:
 - legislation/codes of practice relevant to reporting on places of cultural significance
 - organisation's policies and procedures relevant to reporting on places of cultural significance
- relationships:
 - local Community Elders and/or Custodians.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards. In addition, the following specific assessor requirements apply to this unit:

- Assessment must be undertaken by a workplace assessor who has expertise in this unit of competency and who is:

an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Elder and/or Custodian or:

- accompanied by, and/or in communication with, an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person who is a recognised member of the community with experience and knowledge of local cultural protocols.

Links

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<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>