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AHCWRK304 Respond to rescue incidents

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Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to respond to emergency and rescue incidents.

Work health and safety requirements should be followed at all times and form part of the planning and response activities.

This unit applies to individuals who work under broad direction and take responsibility for their own work. They use discretion and judgement in the selection and use of available resources.

No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements are known to apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil.

Unit Sector

Work (WRK)

Elements and Performance Criteria

Element	Performance criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.
1. Prepare for response	1.1 Check equipment to ensure availability and serviceability 1.2 Obtain task and operational instructions 1.3 Confirm location details of incident 1.4 Select and use personal protective equipment 1.5 Notify local environment conditions

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2. Respond to incident	2.1 Travel to incident location in a safe and efficient manner 2.2 Maintain communication with base station and other personnel at all times 2.3 Carry out on site search activities as necessary
3. Rescue is effected	3.1 Assess and monitor incident scene for hazards and appropriateness of planned procedures 3.2 Modify planned procedures where necessary in response to local circumstances 3.3 Provide support to other rescue services as appropriate 3.4 Obtain access to casualties safely 3.5 Operate equipment safely and appropriately 3.6 Communicate the progress of the rescue to appropriate people 3.7 Treat and monitor casualties and move to safety
4. Implement post incident responses	4.1 Recover, clean and service equipment 4.2 Complete documentation 4.3 Report incidents

Foundation Skills

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

Range of Conditions

Unit Mapping Information

This unit is equivalent to AHCWRK304A Respond to rescue incidents.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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

Assessment Requirements for AHCWRK304 Respond to rescue incidents

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Performance Evidence

The candidate must be assessed on their ability to integrate and apply the performance requirements of this unit in a workplace setting. Performance must be demonstrated consistently over time and in a suitable range of contexts.

The candidate must provide evidence that they can:

- investigate the circumstances and logistics for the emergency
- carry out preparation and move to the rescue site
- assess the situation and establish communication with additional or specialist help
- carry out the required rescue or response to emergency
- implement post incident responses
- use industry standard terminology
- apply workplace health and safety in the context of own work.

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must demonstrate knowledge of:

- local environmental conditions
- search and rescue methods
- operation and characteristics of rescue equipment, tools and vehicles
- environmental, public health and safety issues
- types of hazards and how they should be handled
- enterprise procedures, legislative and work health and safety requirements
- first aid, life preservation.

Assessment Conditions

Assessors must satisfy current standards for RTOs.

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