



Australian Government

AVIO0004 Conduct frisk search of persons

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Modification History

Release 1. This is the first release of this unit of competency in the AVI Aviation Training Package.

Application

This unit involves the skills and knowledge required to conduct frisk searches of persons, in compliance with relevant transport security regulatory requirements.

It includes: preparing for a frisk search; conducting a frisk search of a person; applying special frisk search methods; responding to detection of weapons or prohibited items during a frisk search; and maintaining required frisk search records.

This unit addresses transport security technical skill requirements (physical, mental and task-management abilities) related to transport security duties of aviation, maritime and air cargo security personnel, and contributes to safe and effective performance in operational transport security environments.

Operations are conducted as part of transport security across a variety of operational aviation, maritime and air cargo contexts within the Australian industry.

Work is performed independently or under limited supervision as a single operator or within a team environment.

Licensing, legislative, regulatory or certification requirements are applicable to this unit.

Pre-requisite Unit

Not applicable.

Competency Field

O – Security

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 for a frisk search

- 1.1** Legal powers to frisk search persons and associated workplace procedures are clarified as required and applied
- 1.2** Frisk search is only conducted on persons of the same gender and with another appropriate person of the same gender present
- 1.3** Person to be searched is informed that frisk searches can be intrusive and may cover any part of the body, including the chest and groin
- 1.4** Express consent of person to be searched is obtained prior to conducting a frisk search and a private area where the frisk search is to be conducted, is offered and identified in accordance with legislative requirements and workplace procedures
- 1.5** Consent is recorded in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures
- 1.6** Workplace procedures are followed when a person refuses to be frisk searched
- 1.7** Person being searched is asked to remove bulky over garments and other items in their possession capable of being divested and these garments are separately checked by primary screening processes

2 Conduct a frisk search of a person

- 2.1** Frisk search of a person is carried out using methods and techniques detailed in workplace procedures and social or cultural issues are taken into account
- 2.2** Frisk search is conducted by gently running open hands over outer garments covering the relevant part of the person, to an extent sufficient to be satisfied that no prohibited items are located on the relevant part of the person
- 2.3** Handheld metal detector is used to assist in identifying area to be searched, which may include sensitive areas of a person's body
- 2.4** When alarm source cannot be resolved, access into the sterile area is denied and a more thorough and private search is conducted in accordance with legislative

- requirements and workplace procedures, and person is escorted to a private area to identify and remove alarm source
- 2.5 Correct work health and safety (WHS)/occupational health and safety (OHS), Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) principles are followed during a frisk search of persons, in accordance with workplace procedures
 - 2.6 Customer service principles and standards are applied throughout a frisk search of a person, in accordance with workplace procedures
 - 2.7 Cleared person is allowed to proceed to sterile area
 - 2.8 Uncleared person is denied sterile area and detained in accordance with legislative requirements and workplace procedures
- 3 Apply special frisk search methods**
- 3.1 Special screening methods and requirements are applied when conducting a frisk search of infants and children in accordance with workplace procedures
 - 3.2 Special screening methods and requirements are applied when conducting a frisk search of people who have a disability or specific needs, in accordance with workplace procedures
- 4 Respond to detection of weapons or prohibited items during a frisk search**
- 4.1 Person detected carrying weapons and/or prohibited items is detained in accordance with workplace procedures
 - 4.2 Detected prohibited item or weapon is handled and stored in accordance with procedures
- 5 Maintain records of a frisk search**
- 5.1 Frisk search records requirements and processes are confirmed
 - 5.2 Frisk search records including written consents, are maintained in accordance with workplace procedures

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.

Unit Mapping Information

This unit replaces and is equivalent to AVIO2004 Conduct frisk search of persons.

Links

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<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=4725260a-0af3-4daf-912b-ef1c2f3e5816>