



Australian Government

AVIO0015 Undertake physical search of cargo and articles

Release: 1

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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 cargo and article searches, in compliance with relevant regulatory requirements and national operating standards.

It includes: planning and prepare for cargo or article search; implementing a search; recognising and acting on abnormal situations; and completing post search activities.

This unit addresses technical skill requirements (physical, mental and task-management abilities) related to security duties of screening officers, and contributes to safe and effective performance in complex transport security operational environments.

Operations are conducted as part of recreational and commercial screening activities across a variety of operational contexts within the Australian aviation industry and maritime environment.

Screening is performed independently or under limited supervision until accredited as a screener then 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

Elements describe the essential outcomes.

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

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

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| 1 Prepare for search of cargo | <ul style="list-style-type: none">1.1 Search purpose is identified, and powers confirmed in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures1.2 Potential areas where prohibited items might be hidden are assessed in accordance with workplace procedures1.3 Authority to search and seize prohibited items is verified and obtained in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures1.4 Operational plan is developed to address the range of requirements for a search in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures1.5 Hazards are identified, and risk control measures are implemented to ensure the search can be conducted safely in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures1.6 Requirements for assistance with the search are identified and organised in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures |
| 2 Implement search of cargo | <ul style="list-style-type: none">2.1 Search of designated cargo is conducted systematically in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures2.2 Relevant search equipment and resources are used in accordance with workplace procedures and manufacturer requirements2.3 Search is undertaken in accordance with lead agency requirements, where assistance is obtained2.4 Records of the search process, items and/or evidence uncovered in the search, and subsequent action are made in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures. |
| 3 Conduct seizure of prohibited items | <ul style="list-style-type: none">3.1 Seizure of prohibited items is considered, justified and undertaken in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures3.2 Evidence associated with prohibited items and relevant information is seized and dealt with in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures3.3 Prohibited items are removed, secured and disposed of if |

		required in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures
	3.4	Safety of self and other personnel associated with search is maintained in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures
4	Complete post search activities	
	4.1	Records associated with the search and seizure of prohibited items are completed and reported to relevant personnel in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures
	4.2	Follow up actions are identified, recorded and acted upon as required in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures
	4.3	Third party claims relating to seized items and property damage are undertaken in accordance with regulatory requirements and 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 is a new unit of competence

Links

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Assessment Requirements for AVIO0015 Undertake physical search of cargo and articles

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Performance Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy all of the requirements of the elements, performance criteria and range of conditions on at least one occasion and include:

- applying relevant legislation and workplace procedures
- identifying potential areas to hide prohibited items within search parameters in accordance with security procedures
- applying relevant authority to physical search of premises procedures, in the context of search and seizure of prohibited and unauthorised items
- determining range of requirements relating to search parameters and ensuring inclusion in operational plan
- identifying and applying risk mitigation strategies in line with the physical search of premises
- identifying and using communication to confirm information and requirements for further assistance
- working systematically with required attention to detail without injury to self or others, or damage to goods or equipment
- using safe, thorough and systematic search techniques
- selecting and using relevant search and other equipment
- following directions of lead agency in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures
- documenting and reporting process and outcomes of search procedures
- applying relevant procedures in the process of seizing prohibited and unauthorised items to limit of authority
- undertaking analysis and observation during search for prohibited and unauthorised items
- following relevant regulatory requirements and workplace procedures for the removal and storage of prohibited items
- conforming to industry and WHS/OHS/OSH standards
- identifying and controlling workplace hazards and risks
- documenting and recording search details in accordance with regulatory requirements
- reporting notification of results promptly, in accordance with regulatory requirements and workplace procedures
- following established response plan and procedures to damaged property associated with search.

Knowledge Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy all of the requirements of the elements, performance criteria and range of conditions and include knowledge of:

- applicable transport security legislation including relevant international, national, state/territory acts, regulations codes and/or guidelines
- operational plans
- work health and safety policies related to hazards associated with searches
- hierarchy of control
- workplace transport security standard operating procedures and policies applicable to seizure of prohibited items in a transport security environment
- recording procedures
- property damage reporting procedures.

Assessment Conditions

As a minimum, assessors must satisfy applicable regulatory requirements, which include requirements in the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment.

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Assessment processes and techniques must be appropriate to the language, literacy and numeracy requirements of the work being performed and the needs of the candidate.

Assessment must occur in workplace operational situations. Where this is not appropriate, assessment must occur in simulated workplace operational situations that reflect workplace conditions.

Resources for assessment must include access to:

- a range of relevant exercises, case studies and/or simulations
- acceptable means of simulation assessment
- applicable documentation including workplace procedures, regulations, codes of practice and operation manuals
- relevant materials, tools, equipment and personal protective equipment currently used in industry.

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