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Application

This unit specifies the skills and knowledge required to control security risk situations using a firearm.

It includes:

- reviewing and complying with work instructions, procedures, workplace policies and legal rights and responsibilities including workplace health and safety (WHS) to discharge a firearm in response to a life-threatening situation within specified legal and strategic limits
- selecting and using protective and communication equipment, firearm and ammunition to meet work instructions
- identifying security threats and assessing the need and opportunity to present a firearm, and formulating response options that allow for changing risk circumstances
- using firearm control and tactical positioning techniques, discharging the firearm with consistent accuracy, and unloading, inspecting and storing the firearm after use.

It applies to people working independently or under limited supervision as members of a security team.

This unit may form part of the licensing requirements for people engaged in security operations in those states and territories where these are regulated activities.

Note:

This unit requires appropriate permits to be obtained to conduct firearms training in some states and territories.

This unit does not result in a firearms licence or permit. Refer to the regulatory requirements of individual states and territories.

Pre-requisite Unit

A learner must have achieved at least one of the three units of competency listed below, or a firearms training course approved in the relevant jurisdiction:

- CPPSEC3115 Carry, operate and maintain revolvers for security purposes
- CPPSEC3116 Carry, operate and maintain semi-automatic pistols for security purposes
- CPPSEC3117 Carry, operate and maintain shotguns for security purposes

Unit Sector

Security operations

Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe what needs to be done to demonstrate achievement of the element.
1. Prepare for security response using a firearm.	1.1 Review work instructions to ensure compliance with workplace policies and legal rights and responsibilities when using a firearm to respond to a security risk situation. 1.2 Select and use protective and communication equipment to meet work instructions and WHS requirements. 1.3 Select firearm and conduct pre-operational checks to confirm safe and continuing operation of firearm. 1.4 Obtain ammunition appropriate to type of firearm according to manufacturers' instructions. 1.5 Load firearm with correct ammunition following manufacturers' specifications. 1.6 Carry firearm in a manner that ensures it is secure, protected and accessible for security response.
2. Identify need for security response and draw firearm.	2.1 Identify security threat and assess need and opportunity to present firearm. 2.2 Formulate response options that allow for changing risk circumstances. 2.3 Identify personal safety needs and use communication equipment to request assistance from relevant persons. 2.4 Negotiate with subject of threat to defuse conflict, and maintain communication that reflects sensitivity to individual social and cultural differences. 2.5 Use interpersonal techniques to provide clear warnings and instructions that are legally justifiable.

	2.6 Draw firearm in a positive and controlled manner.
3. Evaluate threat and response options and discharge firearm.	3.1 Use personal positioning, stance and grip to maintain control of firearm. 3.2 Continually monitor threat to assess risk and evaluate response options. 3.3 Select response option that accounts for safety needs of self and others that may be at risk from firearm discharge. 3.4 Use fluid tactical positioning to access available cover and protection during incident. 3.5 Discharge firearm to respond to life-threatening situation when it is the only reasonable option to remove threat within legal and strategic limits. 3.6 Maintain consistent accuracy when discharging firearm and react promptly to terminate force when threat ceases.
4. Finalise armed response and complete documentation.	4.1 Unload, inspect and store firearm, and report damage or faults. 4.2 Review presentation and discharge of firearm against circumstances of incident. 4.3 Identify improvements to procedures for future security response using firearms. 4.4 Complete and securely maintain operational documentation in accordance with workplace requirements. 4.5 Recognise effects of stress and manage own well-being using stress management techniques.

Foundation Skills

This section describes the language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills essential to performance in this unit but not explicit in the performance criteria:

- language skills to:
 - provide instructions and warnings using structure and language to suit the audience and engage minority groups
 - use security industry approved communication terminology, codes and signals
- writing skills to:
 - record and describe incident observations and actions
 - complete routine reports and forms
- reading skills to interpret:
 - procedures and policies that clarify legal rights and responsibilities

- technical information contained in manufacturers' instructions
- speaking and listening skills to:
 - use questions to clarify and verify spoken information
 - use a radio to give clear, sequenced information and request assistance
- numeracy skills to estimate time required to carry out operational tasks
- problem solving skills to:
 - formulate response options to match threat and risk situation
 - evaluate and adjust security response measures to meet changing risk circumstances
 - recognise security risk situations requiring specialist assistance
- teamwork skills to adjust personal communication styles in response to the opinions, values and needs of others.

Unit Mapping Information

Supersedes and is equivalent to CPPSEC3008A Control security risk situations using firearms.

Links

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Assessment Requirements for CPPSEC3114 Control security risk situations using firearms

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Performance Evidence

To demonstrate competency in this unit, a person must control three different security risk situations using a firearm.

In doing this, the person must meet the performance criteria for this unit.

Knowledge Evidence

To be competent in this unit, a person must demonstrate knowledge of:

- standard operating procedures and workplace policies that ensure compliance with legislative and regulatory requirements when controlling security risk situations using firearms:
 - anti-discrimination and diversity
 - apprehension, arrest and restraint of persons
 - carriage and use of firearms and weapons
 - counter terrorism
 - duty of care
 - licensing requirements and limits of own authority
 - use of force
 - workplace health and safety (WHS)
- approved communication terminology, call signs and radio channels used in the security industry
- approved course of fire and standard of accuracy
- chain of command relevant to security operation
- current national terrorism threat level and context

- factors that may indicate escalation of conflict or risk and situations requiring specialist assistance
- firearm retention techniques
- fundamentals of shooting including grip, stance, trigger control, sight alignment and picture, breathing and follow through
- legal consequences of pointing and discharging a firearm outside of an approved range
- negotiation techniques and how they can be used to defuse and resolve conflict and prevent discharge of firearm
- premises emergency and evacuation procedures
- procedures for communicating and collaborating with emergency services
- procedures for responding to multiple threats
- process of dynamic risk assessment and how it is applied
- purpose of Australia's *Strategy for Protecting Crowded Places from Terrorism* and understanding of:
 - definition of crowded places
 - key security issues for crowded places
 - objectives, characteristics and identification of active armed offenders
 - definition of hostile vehicles and methods of attack
 - signs of chemical weapons attack and recommended response
 - general features of improvised explosive devices and recommended incident response
- techniques for safe handling, carriage, loading and unloading firearm
- the phonetic alphabet and how it is used
- types of behaviours and non-verbal language that can escalate conflict or incite aggressive or hostile responses from others
- types of behavioural anomalies and suspect behaviours that can indicate criminal activity, hostile reconnaissance or the potential for terrorist activity
- types of security risk situations that may be encountered during armed assignments and appropriate responses
- understanding of the force model
- ways that social and cultural differences may be expressed.

Assessment Conditions

Assessors must satisfy the requirements for assessors contained in the Standards for Registered Training Organisations (RTOs). All individuals engaged by a licensed RTO for security licensing purposes must hold both a security trainer's licence (where such a licence exists within the relevant jurisdiction) and a security operative licence that authorises the security activities about which the individual is training/assessing. Regulators may impose other assessor conditions to meet jurisdictional assessment requirements.

Assessment of performance must be undertaken in an operational workplace environment or environment that reflects workplace conditions. Tasks are to be performed to the level of proficiency and within the time limits that would be expected in a workplace.

The assessment of performance evidence must be done by direct observation of the learner by an assessor, either by an assessor observing the learner physically or by an assessor observing the learner via audio and visual media.

Assessment of performance evidence is only valid where the learner has been assessed performing the role of a security officer.

Assessment of performance must comply with jurisdictional regulatory requirements for conducting firearms training and assessment.

This unit must be assessed in conjunction with one of the following units of competency unless the person has already completed an approved firearms training course in the relevant jurisdiction and can provide appropriate supporting evidence:

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Assessors are responsible for ensuring that the person demonstrating competency has access to:

- specifications of assessment tasks to control security risk situations using firearms
- appropriate documents, materials, equipment and personal protective equipment (PPE) currently used in industry
- firearm, ammunition and duty gear to complete work instructions
- standard operating procedures and workplace policies related to the security work role and which specify requirements for complying with industry legislation and regulations.

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