



Australian Government

CSCDOG001 Manage dogs for security purposes

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Modification History

Release	Comments
1	This unit was released in CSC Correctional Services Training Package release 1.0 and meets the requirements of the Standards for Training Packages. This unit supersedes and is equivalent to CSCDH401A Manage dogs for security purposes.

Application

This unit of competency describes the outcomes required to use dogs in security situations such as:

- detecting prohibited and illegal items
- protecting property or people
- tracking, searching and finding people
- preventing escapes
- preventing crime
- patrolling areas
- border protection
- providing a presence

The unit supports the attainment of skills and knowledge for preparing dogs for deployment, managing dogs at the scene of the operation and participating in post operational activities.

The unit may be customised to suit the operational environment, which includes consideration of the:

- geographical location
- mode of transport
- hours of operation
- the humans present in the area (officer, suspects, civilians)
- intelligence provided

The skills and knowledge described in this unit must be performed within the legislative, regulatory and policy environment in which they are carried out. Organisational policies and procedures must be consulted and adhered to, particularly those related to the deployment and care of dogs.

A person undertaking this unit would usually work autonomously using support from mostly familiar resources. The role requires complex task organisation and application of moderate analytical skills.

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

Competency Field

Dog handling

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
Elements describe the essential outcomes	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. Where bold italicised text is used, further information is detailed in the range of conditions section.
1. Prepare for deployment of dogs	1.1 Assess the operational environment where the dog will be deployed and prepare for contingencies. 1.2 Consult information on security situation and assignment details and prepare dog for deployment. 1.3 Transport the dog to the security situation according to the requirements of the assignment and animal welfare requirements.
2. Manage dogs at the scene of operation	2.1 Locate and deploy the dog according to its capabilities and the specifications of the assignment. 2.2 Deploy the dog in a manner that results in minimal risk of injury to other persons, the dog, handler and property. 2.3 Read and interpret the body language of the dog and take appropriate action. 2.4 Attend to injuries to the dog. 2.5 Secure detected prohibited and illegal items according to the chain of evidence.
3. Participate in post-operational activities	3.1 Take part in debriefing sessions to evaluate operation's activities. 3.2 Review the ways in which the dog worked and plan for future training sessions and methods of deployment in similar situations. 3.3 Complete accurate and comprehensive dog records and reports in a timely manner and lodge.

Foundation Skills

The foundation skills demands of this unit have been mapped for alignment with the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF). The following tables outline the performance levels indicated for successful attainment of the unit.

ACSF levels indicative of performance:

1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Learning					Reading					Writing					Oral communication					Numeracy				
																				N/A				

Performance variables

1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Support					Context					Text complexity					Task complexity				

Further information on ACSF and the foundation skills underpinning this unit can be found in the [Foundation Skills Guide](http://www.govskills.com.au/guides/correctional-services/foundation-skills-guide) <http://www.govskills.com.au/guides/correctional-services/foundation-skills-guide> on the GSA website.

Unit Mapping Information

Supersedes and is equivalent to CSCDH401A Manage dogs for security purposes.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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Assessment Requirements for CSCDOG001 Manage dogs for security purposes

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1	These Assessment Requirements were released in CSC Correctional Services Training Package release 1.0 and meet the Standards for Training Packages.

Please refer to the advice in the CSC Assessment Guide.

Performance Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence must satisfy all of the requirements of the elements and performance criteria. If not otherwise specified the candidate must demonstrate evidence of performance of the following on at least one occasion.

- applying all facets of dog-handling training, theory and deployment
- applying basic first aid techniques
- communicating ideas and information
- planning and organising activities to prepare for the deployment of dogs in security situations
- responding appropriately to unauthorised and illegal materials in ways that preserve evidence
- transporting dogs safely
- collecting, analysing and organising information to produce records and reports

Knowledge Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence must satisfy all of the requirements of the elements and performance criteria. If not otherwise specified the depth of knowledge demonstrated must be appropriate to the job context of the candidate.

- organisation's policies and procedures related to working with dogs and unauthorised and illegal materials
- evidence handling
- dog-training methodologies and practices relevant to the dogs' use in the organisation
- methods of transporting dogs safely and without stress
- capabilities of dogs working within the organisation
- work environment in which dogs could be deployed and emergencies that could arise within those environments

Assessment Conditions

Valid assessment of this unit requires a workplace environment or one that closely resembles normal work practice and replicates the range of conditions likely to be encountered when managing dogs in security situations, including coping with difficulties, irregularities and changes to routine.

Assessors must satisfy the NVR/AQTF mandatory competency requirements for assessors.

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