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CSCDOG004 Select dogs

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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 Standards for Training Packages. This unit supersedes and is equivalent to CSCDH405A Select dogs.

Application

This unit describes the skills required to identify the organisational purpose for selecting dogs, record information about dogs for selection and assess dogs for recruitment suitability.

The outcomes of this unit may be applied by a person working in a dog selection role in any organisation. This unit may be customised, particularly regarding the assessment of the temperament and characteristics of dogs based on different requirements of the organisation, functions of the work team and location.

The skills and knowledge described in this unit must be applied 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 selecting 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 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. Identify the purpose for	1.1 Identify the roles of dogs working within the organisation and the purposes for their use.

selecting dogs	1.2 Identify the purpose for which dogs will be selected and trained.
2. Record information about dogs for selection	2.1 Set up and maintain a file recording the contact details of the source of the dog candidates. 2.2 Record information about available dogs relevant to their recruitment and training.
3. Assess dogs for recruitment	3.1 Plan activities for dogs to enable assessment of suitability. 3.2 Observe and assess the dog for the desired characteristics, according to the criteria set by the organisation. 3.3 Record results of dog assessments. 3.4 Use assessment results to determine suitability of dogs for the organisation's purposes. 3.5 Report selection results to the appropriate people. 3.6 Follow organisation's procedures for acquiring or rejecting the dog.

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 N/A					Reading					Writing					Oral communication					Numeracy				

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> on the GSA website.

Unit Mapping Information

Supersedes and is equivalent to CSCDH404A Select dogs.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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Assessment Requirements for CSCDOG004 Select dogs

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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.

- working independently and in teams to assess dogs for their suitability for particular roles within the organisation
- planning and organising activities for assessing and selecting dogs
- collecting, analysing and organising information about dog performance and characteristics to produce records and reports concerned with the acquisition of dogs for the organisation

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 the selection and use of dogs
- purposes for which dogs may be used within the organisation
- records and reports that must be established and maintained about the acquisition of dogs for the organisation
- typical characteristics and temperaments of various breeds of dogs that are suited to working within the organisation
- anatomy and signs of health and ill health of dogs
- work environment in which dogs could be deployed and emergencies that could arise within those environments

Assessment Conditions

Evidence for assessment must be gathered over time in a range of contexts to ensure the person can achieve the unit outcome and apply the competency in different situations or environments.

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 selecting and acquiring dogs, including coping with difficulties, irregularities and changes to routine. The unit contains knowledge which may be assessed off the job, for example, in a structured learning process.

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

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