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# **CSCSAS027 Maintain operational security**

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## Modification History

Release 1. This is the first release of this unit of competency in the CSC Correctional Services Training Package Release 5.0

## Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to monitor internal and external workplace environment and respond to security alerts.

This unit applies to those working in detention centres, correctional centres or prisons and in community facilities under custodial supervision. Variables will determine different applications of the standards depending on the nature and complexity of security requirements, security ratings and defined work role and responsibilities.

An individual undertaking this role generally works independently, drawing upon support from familiar resources.

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 operational security.

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

## Pre-requisite Unit

Not applicable.

## Competency Field

Safety and 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.

**1 Monitor the internal workplace environment**

- 1.1** Monitor and record the movement of offenders, visitors, and team members
- 1.2** Check, record and report changes in routine, behaviour, the environment, and movements promptly to relevant team members
- 1.3** Routinely assess the safety and welfare of all individuals
- 1.4** Routinely monitor and check the effective working of equipment and technology and report outcomes
- 1.5** Use communication and information exchange systems for the purpose intended
- 1.6** Gather and report information necessary for effective surveillance

**2 Monitor the external workplace environment**

- 2.1** Supervise the transfer of offenders in accordance with organisational procedures
- 2.2** Confirm relevant security information and documentation and prepare and verify authorisations
- 2.3** Identify and implement security and safety procedures including contingency responses
- 2.4** Take into consideration the safety and welfare of people at the location

**3 Respond to security alerts**

- 3.1** Interpret and respond to alarms
- 3.2** Use appropriate language and systems when communicating
- 3.3** Assess risks of the incident and take appropriate action
- 3.4** Complete security and incident reporting in accordance with organisational procedures
- 3.5** Participate in debriefing in accordance with organisational 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.

Non-essential conditions may be found in the Correctional Services Training Package Companion Volume Implementation Guide.

## **Unit Mapping Information**

This unit replaces and is equivalent to CSCSAS008 Maintain security system.

## **Links**

Companion Volume Implementation Guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=114e25cd-3a2c-4490-baae-47d68dcd2fde>

# Assessment Requirements for CSCSAS027 Maintain operational security

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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 and performance criteria on at least two occasions and include:

- operating and checking routine activities and equipment for security factors
- evaluating security situations and making decisions based on evaluation
- reporting outcomes of equipment checks
- using security equipment required in the work site and consistent with work role, responsibilities, and delegation
- accessing and recording relevant information.

## Knowledge Evidence

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

- organisational policies and procedures related to security and surveillance
- organisational emergency response procedures
- organisational procedures for communication systems and alarms
- organisational incident reports
- observation and evaluation techniques
- organisation's intelligence systems.

## Assessment Conditions

Assessors must hold credentials specified within the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment.

Assessment must satisfy the Principles of Assessment and Rules of Evidence and all regulatory requirements included within the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment.

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

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.

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 PPE currently used in industry.

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