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# **DEFMIL142 Support sub-unit level defensive operations**

**Release: 1**

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## Modification History

Release 1. This is the first release of this unit of competency in the DEF Defence Training Package.

## Application

This unit specifies the skills and knowledge required to support the conduct of sub-unit (60–130 persons) level defensive operations.

It includes preparing and planning for operations and supporting sub-unit level defensive activities. It also includes coordinating sub-unit administrative activities.

It is primarily focussed on the duties of the sub-unit's warrant officer who, in many cases will act as a member of the sub-unit operational planning and coordination team providing technical advice and direct support to the commander and secondincommand of the sub-unit. Many duties are also administrative in nature.

In the absence of the commander or secondincommand, the person may be required to supervise the sub-unit requiring independent action and leadership by example.

Defensive operations are characterised by own forces delaying, accepting decisive engagement or withdrawing from action against hostile forces and are typically fluid and demanding environments.

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.

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

## Pre-requisite Unit

Not applicable

## Competency Field

Military Skills

## Unit Sector

Not applicable.

## Elements and Performance Criteria

### ELEMENTS

Elements describe the essential outcomes.

#### **1 Prepare and plan for operations**

#### **2 Support sub-unit level defensive activities**

#### **3 Coordinate sub-unit administrative activities**

### PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

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

- 1.1** Obtain and clarify orders in accordance with commander's intent
- 1.2** Provide assistance in planning defensive operations, in accordance with organisational procedures
- 1.3** Make planning decisions based on a logical process to solve operational problems
- 1.4** Prepare outline-plans to support sub-unit level defensive operations and present to personnel as required
- 2.1** Prepare and deliver orders in accordance with organisational procedures
- 2.2** Coordinate and integrate combat support and combat service support into operational plans
- 2.3** Assist in the execution of sub-unit defensive operations
- 2.4** Coordinate defensive routine in accordance with operational plan and orders
- 2.5** Coordinate patrol activity in accordance with operational plan and orders
- 2.6** Coordinate occupation of an echelon in a defensive position in accordance with operational plan and orders
- 2.7** Coordinate early warning and security measures in accordance with task requirements and operational procedures
- 3.1** Plan and execute sub-unit level battlefield clearance to meet task requirements
- 3.2** Coordinate sub-unit re-supply and maintenance in accordance with organisational procedures
- 3.3** Supervise sub-unit within an echelon in Defence in accordance with operational plan
- 3.4** Coordinate combat service support to sub-unit in

accordance with organisational procedures

- 3.5** Support and foster sub-unit morale, welfare and discipline, as required, in accordance with organisational policies

## 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 Companion Volume Implementation Guide.

## Unit Mapping Information

This unit replaces and is equivalent to DEFCM111B Support sub-unit level defensive operations.

## Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=6bdbab1e-11ed-4bc9-9cba-9e1a55d4e4a9>