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Modification History

Release	Comments
1	These Assessment Requirements were released in DEF Defence Training Package release 1.0 and meet the Standards for Training Packages. Assessment Requirements created drawing upon specified assessment information from superseded unit

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.

- selecting combustible and ‘smoking’ materials
- constructing, igniting and maintaining a fire
- siting and building a trench symbol, visible from the air at 2000 metres may be a simulated trench if ground is too hard.
- siting and constructing a tinsel tree, visible from the air at 2000 metres
- siting, constructing and maintaining the fuel and foliage stock for the fire
- lighting the fire so that it is well ablaze within 120 seconds and then generating smoke through the application of green foliage
- interpreting and responding to recognition and response signals from search aircraft, including :
 - I require your attention
 - message received and understood
 - message received but not understood
 - follow aircraft in same direction

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.

- air search/ground search procedures
- aircraft recognition and response/international distress signals

Assessment Conditions

Competency should be demonstrated using a range of simulated visual emergency signalling techniques that could be expected in a survival situation with access to emergency signalling devices.

Consideration must be given to holistic assessment with other survival units.

While a person can demonstrate the ability to employ visual emergency signalling techniques, doing so in a survival situation is crucial. Assessment under simulated survival conditions includes:

- food restrictions
- absence of normal living conditions and amenities
- significant period of time

Refer to advice in the companion volumes.

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

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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

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