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Assessment Requirements for DEFWDV002 Support SCUBA diving operations from the surface

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.

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 one occasion and include:

- applying relevant industry standards, and organisational policies and procedures
- assembling equipment
- assisting a searching diver in poor visibility (less than 2 metres) in a parallel search
- diving using self-contained underwater breathing apparatus (SCUBA) in open water to 30 metres
- measuring distance
- maintaining attention to diver throughout dives
- reading gauges
- relaying at least two messages from diver to supervisor
- rigging and setting lazy shot and bailout at appropriate depth/s
- transmitting at least two messages from supervisor to diver.

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:

- dive equipment including:
 - bailout cylinder
 - lazy shot
 - SCUBA and associated equipment
- dive physics
- dive physiology and medicine including:
 - heat and cold illnesses
 - compression illnesses
 - decompression illnesses
- diving descent and ascent techniques
- general diving safety awareness including:
 - diving in harbours

- diving in tidal waters, currents and tides
- diving on and/or near a ship's bottom
- lost/separated
- entrapment/foul lines
- marine animal threats
- pollution/weeds
- working in confined spaces
- general boat awareness and safety
- line signals
- marine animal threats
- marine hazards
- oceanography
- relevant industry standards, and organisational policies and procedures including:
 - dive plan and/or instructions
 - emergency response.

Assessment Conditions

As a minimum, assessors must satisfy applicable regulatory requirements, which include requirements in the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment.

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Assessment must occur in workplace operational situations where it is appropriate to do so; where this is not appropriate, assessment must occur in simulated workplace operational situations that replicate 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 other simulations
- relevant and appropriate materials, tools, SCUBA equipment and personal protective equipment currently used in industry
- relevant documentation including organisational procedures, regulations, codes of practice and operation manuals.

When practicable, assessment should relate to the diver's vocational focus.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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

