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DEFCA403B Undertake offensive operations

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Modification History

Not applicable.

Unit Descriptor

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This unit covers the competency required to operate as a **team** member during the conduct of offensive operations in the Australian Defence Force (ADF)

Application of the Unit

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The application of this unit in the workplace - the environments, complexities and situations involved - will be written during Phase II of the Review of the PUA00 Public Safety Training Package.

This text will be useful for the purposes of job descriptions, recruitment advice or job analysis; where possible, it will not be too job specific to allow other industries to import it into other Training Packages, where feasible.

Licensing/Regulatory Information

Not applicable.

Pre-Requisites

Prerequisite Unit/s

Nil

Employability Skills Information

Employability Skills

This unit contains employability skills.

Elements and Performance Criteria Pre-Content

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a Unit of Competency.

Performance Criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. Where bold italicised text is used, further information is detailed in the Required Skills and Knowledge and/or the Range Statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the Evidence Guide.

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENT

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

1. Prepare for offensive operations

- 1.1 ***Offensive operation*** orders are received and clarified where required
- 1.2 ***Battle*** procedure is conducted in accordance with ***standard procedures***

2. Conduct offensive operations

- 2.1 ***Advance*** is conducted in accordance with operational requirements and standard procedures
- 2.2 ***Attack*** is conducted in accordance with operational requirements and standard procedures
- 2.3 ***Ambush*** is conducted in accordance with operational requirements and standard procedures
- 2.4 ***Drills and procedures*** are conducted in accordance with operational requirements and standard procedures

Required Skills and Knowledge

REQUIRED SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level, required for this unit.

Required Skills

- apply battlecraft aggressively
- apply navigation techniques
- apply operational safety
- apply recognised safety precautions
- assimilate orders
- handle weapons safely in an operational environment
- interpret fire control orders
- work in a team

Required Knowledge

- battlecraft
- characteristics, technical capabilities, effects, employment and limitations of equipment
- cultural awareness
- fire control orders
- navigation techniques
- OH&S
- orders for open fire
- recognised safety precautions
- requirements
- team work

Evidence Guide

EVIDENCE GUIDE

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to work as part of a team by day and night in a simulated operational environment that replicates the extremes and stress of a threat environment; to adhere to all relevant drills and procedures as detailed in the Range Statement; and to attack a prepared position.

Consistency in performance

Competency should be demonstrated over time in a range of contexts that could be expected in the workplace.

Context of and specific resources for assessment

Context of assessment

Competency should be assessed in a simulated operational threat environment. The person should be exposed to the extremes of the operational environment under physical and mental stress. The context of assessment would usually be simulated due to the nature of this high-risk environment.

Specific resources for assessment

Access to a team; a simulated operational environment that replicates the extremes and stress of a threat environment; a rifle and ammunition; and a variety of equipment as listed in the Range Statement.

Range Statement

RANGE STATEMENT

The Range Statement relates to the Unit of Competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. ***Bold italicised*** wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

An offensive operations team is

A grouping up to approximately 30 personnel (for infantry this would be a section or platoon)

Battle procedures may include

Cleaning weapons
 Conducting rehearsals
 Receiving confirmatory orders
 Removing non-essential items
 Test firing weapons
 Testing or checking equipment, which may include:

- ammunition
- load carrying equipment
- personal protective equipment
- day and night vision equipment
- infra-red lights
- rations
- task specific equipment
- specialist equipment
- early warning devices
- communication equipment

Standard procedures may include

Australian Standards
 Defence Instructions
 Doctrinal pamphlets
 Job guides, other publications
 Manufacturers' handbooks, industry specifications and technical instructions
 Occupational health and safety (OH&S) regulations
 Organisational policies and procedures
 Procedure manuals
 Reengagement procedures
 Relevant local government by-laws
 Relevant state/territory or federal legislation

RANGE STATEMENT

	Routine Orders
	Standing Operating Procedures
	Standing Orders
	Written and verbal orders
Advance may include	Advance to contact Advance in contact
Attack may be	Deliberate Quick
Ambush may include	Area Deliberate or immediate Linear Mobile Static Triangular
Drills and procedures must include	Advance: • quick response force • contact drills • counter ambush drills • mine incident drills • obstacle crossing drills • harbour drills • short and long halts • rendezvous and marry-up procedures Attack: • preparation • assault • fight through/close assault drill • exploitation • reorganisation fire support Ambush: • preparation • occupation • initiation • searching

RANGE STATEMENT

- withdrawal

Unit Sector(s)

Not applicable.

Corequisite Unit/s

Co-requisite Unit/s Nil