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Modification History

Release	TP Version	Comments
2	DEF12 V2	Unit descriptor updated. Application added. Minor Range Statement changes. Evidence Guide updated.
1	DEF12 V1	Release

Unit Descriptor

This unit covers the competency required to effectively throw a grenade on operations in the Australian Defence Force (ADF).

No licensing, legislative, regulatory or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication. In a Defence context, this means that there is no civilian need to hold this unit in order to meet licensing, legislative, regulatory or certification requirements.

Application of the Unit

This competency was developed for combat arms personnel required to throw grenades on operations in a deployed operational environment but is applicable to any individual in this field of work.

The individual will be under supervision, usually as part of a team but if authorised has the ability to act independently in accordance with the Rules of Engagement.

All activities are carried out in accordance with relevant organisational policies and procedures.

Licensing/Regulatory Information

Not applicable.

Pre-Requisites

Not applicable.

Employability Skills Information

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 Range Statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the Evidence Guide.

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENT

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

1. Handle a grenade

- 1.1 ***Grenade*** is safely handled and carried in accordance with ***standard procedures***.
- 1.2 Grenade is ***identified*** and selected according to operational requirements.
- 1.3 ***Throwing positions*** are adopted as required by environment and threat.

2. Throw a grenade

- 2.1 ***Grenade drills*** are conducted in accordance with standard procedures.
- 2.2 Targets are identified and ***engaged*** as required by the ***operational environment*** and in accordance with standard procedures.

3. Maintain and stow grenades

- 3.1 Grenade and associated equipment are cleaned and serviced in all operational conditions.
- 3.2 ***Defects*** are identified and reported to supervisor.

Required Skills and Knowledge

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

Required Skills

- achieve the required effects
- apply battlecraft aggressively
- apply fieldcraft skills
- apply recognised safety precautions
- handle grenades safely in an operational environment
- interpret fire control orders
- work in a team

Required Knowledge

- battlecraft
- characteristics, technical capabilities, effects, employment and limitations of the grenade
- fieldcraft
- fire control orders
- grenade drills
- WHS requirements
- recognised safety precautions
- target indications
- team work

Evidence Guide

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

Assessment must confirm the ability to

- complete all grenade drills as listed in the Range Statement
- throw the high explosive (HE) grenade from all positions listed in the Range Statement
- work as part of a team
- recognise limit of own authority

Consistency in performance

Competency should be demonstrated over time and across a range of simulated or actual workplace situations.

Context of and specific resources for assessment

Context of assessment

Competency should be assessed using HE grenades and in a simulated operational threat environment. The assessment is simulated due to the high risk working environment.

Specific resources for assessment

Access to grenades and a simulated operational environment.

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.

<i>Grenades</i> may include:	• drill • fragmentation • high explosive • practice • white phosphorus
<i>Standard procedures</i> may include:	• Australian Standards • defence instructions • doctrinal pamphlets • job guides, other publications • manufacturers' handbooks, industry specifications and technical instructions • WHS regulations • organisational policies and procedures • procedure manuals • relevant local government by-laws • relevant state/territory or federal legislation • routine orders • standing operating procedures • standing orders • written and verbal orders
<i>Grenade identification</i> may include:	• colour • hazard band • markings • shape
<i>Throwing positions</i> must include:	• kneeling • lying • standing
<i>Grenade drills</i> must include:	• safety precautions • throwing drills
<i>Engagement of the target</i> may include:	• destruction • suppression
<i>Operational environment</i> may include:	• all seasons weather and terrain • day • extreme stress • night • primitive conditions

	• under threat
<i>Defects</i> may include:	• cracks • faulty pins • incorrect packaging

Unit Sector(s)

Not applicable.