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Release 1	This version first released with ICT Information and Communications Technology Training Package Version 2.0.

Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to analyse test results and recommend modifications to the network.

It applies to individuals working as field officers and supervisors from telecommunications carriers, service providers, contractors and other public or private organisations who perform measurements during equipment upgrades or during commissioning, acceptance testing and routine maintenance on cellular network equipment.

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

Unit Sector

Telecommunications – radio frequency networks

Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements	Performance Criteria
<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Prepare to test cellular phone and network equipment	1.1 Obtain and follow relevant legislation, codes, regulations and standards 1.2 Scope work by obtaining work details from appropriate personnel and arrange for site access to comply with security arrangements 1.3 Evaluate manufacturer's technical documentation and network procedures to plan test schedule for cellular network 1.4 Verify calibration of test equipment to ensure that tested

	cellular equipment is compliant 1.5 Prepare cellular equipment for testing according to manufacturer's test procedure 1.6 Notify operational staff of test and measurement schedule to ensure minimal impact on cellular network
2. Test and measure cellular phone and network equipment	2.1 Work safely following work health and safety (WHS) and environmental requirements for given work, identifying hazards and using personal protective equipment 2.2 Configure network equipment for testing and set options to record test results 2.3 Block or mask alarms that may be triggered and interfere with test program 2.4 Run performance measurement software with options set and record test results 2.5 Re-establish alarms and normal operational status at conclusion of tests, and notify appropriate personnel of completion of test schedule
3. Analyse measurement and prepare evaluation report	3.1 Analyse results of performance tests and measurements and determine performance level of cellular equipment and compatibility with network 3.2 Prepare evaluation report, making recommendations on network modifications or changes to configurations settings for improved quality of service 3.3 Present test results and evaluation report to appropriate personnel according to enterprise policy

Foundation Skills

This section describes language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills incorporated in the performance criteria that are required for competent performance.

Skill	Performance Criteria	Description
Reading	1.1, 1.3, 1.5, 3.3	Recognises and interprets regulatory and technical information from relevant sources to determine all specifications and frameworks
Writing	1.6, 2.4, 2.5, 3.2	Uses clear, specific and industry related terminology to complete and update workplace documentation and when presenting information

		to work associates, supervisors, team members and clients
Oral Communication	1.2, 1.6, 2.5, 3.3	- Liaises with internal and external personnel about technical requirements using specific and relevant language - Uses listening and questioning techniques to confirm understanding
Numeracy	3.1	Evaluates and interprets technical data and results according to predetermined specifications
Navigate the world of work	2.1	- Understands the nature and purpose of own role and associated responsibilities - Takes personal responsibility for adherence to legal and regulatory requirements, with specific reference to safety
Get the work done	1.1-1.5, 2.2-2.5, 3.1	- Determines job priorities and works logically and systematically to undertake clearly defined and familiar tasks - Understands the purposes and specific functions of common digital systems and uses them effectively to complete routine tasks - Takes responsibility for routine decision making by selecting from a range of predetermined options in routine situations, identifying and taking some situational factors into account - Diagnoses faults in different situations, adapts procedures and modifies activities depending on operational contingencies, risk situations and environments - Implements actions according to a predetermined plan, making slight adjustments if necessary and addressing some unexpected issues

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ICTRFN502 Test and measure cellular phone and network equipment performance	ICTRFN5148A Test and measure cellular phone and network equipment performance	Updated to meet Standards for Training Packages	Equivalent unit

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Assessment Requirements for ICTRFN502 Test and measure cellular phone and network equipment performance

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Performance Evidence

Evidence of the ability to:

- plan and coordinate test activities and equipment
- test cellular phone and network equipment according to test procedure
- analyse test results
- report and make recommendations on performance.

Note: If a specific volume or frequency is not stated, then evidence must be provided at least once.

Knowledge Evidence

To complete the unit requirements safely and effectively, the individual must:

- summarise the features and operating requirements of cellular test equipment, including the digital cellular test set, spectrum analyser and radio frequency (RF) power meter
- explain network components, their functions and approved specifications
- provide detailed information about transmission lines, transmitter and receiver architecture and associated cellular network
- provide detailed information about cellular antenna and feedlines, and their impact on mobile spectrum interference
- explain testing network components
- outline the types of adjustments that need to be made when measuring cellular transmission
- summarise the types of networks that will influence the transmission on the radio path and/or the transmission line.

Assessment Conditions

Gather evidence to demonstrate consistent performance in conditions that are safe and replicate the workplace. Noise levels, production flow, interruptions and time variances should be typical of those experienced in the telecommunications – radio frequency networks field of work and include access to:

- sites on which cellular network testing may be conducted
- test equipment currently used in industry
- manufacturer's and enterprise technical documentation
- relevant regulations and standards.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

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