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POLAUX024 Maintain operational safety in a policing environment

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Modification History

Release 1. This is the first release of this unit of competency in the POL Police Training Package release 7.0.

Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to maintain operational safety in a policing environment, including deploying tactical options and using police equipment.

This unit applies to those working as community police officers, in metropolitan and/or remote areas.

The skills and knowledge described in this unit must be applied within the legislative, regulatory and policy environment in which they are carried out. Organisational policies and procedures must be consulted and adhered to.

Those undertaking this unit would demonstrate independent judgement and take responsibility in known contexts and defined parameters. They would perform routine tasks, while providing and communicating solutions to problems in a range of contexts.

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

Pre-requisite Unit

Not applicable.

Competency Field

Auxiliary

Unit Sector

Not applicable.

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS

Elements describe the essential outcomes.

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.

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| 1 Respond to operational safety risks | 1.1 Identify operational safety risks through continually monitoring the operational environment |
| | 1.2 Conduct risk assessment of identified operational safety risks to minimise harm to self, colleagues and the public |
| | 1.3 Develop response options to mitigate operational safety risks |
| | 1.4 Maintain communication with stakeholders while deploying selected response option to contribute to operational safety |
| 2 Use tactical options | 2.1 Identify tactical options for potential deployment in accordance with risk assessment |
| | 2.2 Determine the necessity of tactical options by continually assessing operational environment |
| | 2.3 Implement tactical options in accordance with situational factors |
| 3 Manage and use police equipment | 3.1 Access and store police equipment to ensure safety and security |
| | 3.2 Use police equipment correctly to maximise safety of self and others |
| | 3.3 Inspect police equipment to identify issues or faults |
| 4 Report operational safety matters | 4.1 Justify rationale for selected response to inform supervisor's coordination and decision-making |
| | 4.2 Seek feedback from supervisor on selected response to inform own future decision making and response |
| | 4.3 Complete required jurisdictional documentation relating to identified operational safety risks and safety outcomes |

Foundation Skills

Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

Range of Conditions

Range is restricted to essential operating conditions and any other variables essential to the work environment.

Non-essential conditions may be found in the Police Training Package Companion Volume Implementation Guide.

Unit Mapping Information

This unit replaces and is equivalent to POLAUX004 Maintain operational safety in a policing environment.

Links

Companion Volume Implementation Guides can be found on VETNet - -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=98c3984e-2cf1-48a8-8ed1-85e4b92e7351>

Assessment Requirements for POLAUX024 Maintain operational safety in a policing environment

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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:

- using situational awareness to identify risks in the operational environment
- communicating safety concerns to other stakeholders
- conducting safety and risk assessments
- minimising and eliminating risks through the application of response options, including tactical options
- checking, using and storing police equipment correctly
- completing police documentation and reporting processes.

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:

- operational safety principles
- current jurisdictional policies and procedures, relating to work health and safety
- jurisdictional principles, policies and procedures
- types and correct use of police operational safety equipment
- police reporting processes and procedures
- risk assessments and tactical options
- communication techniques.

Assessment Conditions

Assessors must hold credentials specified within the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment.

Assessment must satisfy the Principles of Assessment and Rules of Evidence and all regulatory requirements included within the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment.

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.

Assessment must occur in workplace operational situations. Where this is not appropriate, such as in situations that can affect safety or occur only rarely, assessment can occur in simulated workplace operational situations that reflect workplace conditions.

Resources for assessment must include access to:

- a range of relevant exercises, case studies and/or other simulations
- relevant and appropriate materials, tools, equipment and personal protective equipment (PPE) currently used in industry
- applicable documentation, including workplace procedures, regulations, codes of practice and operation manuals.

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