



Australian Government

POLFOR026 Prepare and present forensic evidence

Release: 1

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Modification History

Release	Comments
1	This unit was released in POL Police Training Package release 1.0 and meets the Standards for Training Packages.

Application

This unit describes the skills required to prepare and present evidence, statements and submissions in order to contribute to forensic investigations. This includes the stages of planning, presenting and reviewing evidence.

This unit applies to those working as police staff involved in forensic investigation.

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, particularly those related to work health and safety (WHS).

Those undertaking this role would work autonomously while remaining responsible for reporting to senior staff. They would demonstrate adaptability across a broad range of contexts while performing a range of routine tasks.

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

Competency Field

Forensics

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
Elements describe the essential outcomes	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. Where bold italicised text is used, further information is detailed in the range of conditions section.
1. Prepare forensic documentation	1.1 Document results to ensure quality and consistency. 1.2 Provide information in reports that conveys outcomes of examinations. 1.3 Identify whether content of report is within own role and responsibility.

	1.4 Submit reports to ensure timeliness of results.
2. Prepare for proceedings	2.1 Confirm arrangements for role and involvement in proceedings. 2.2 Assess case requirements to prepare evidence for presentation. 2.3 Review forensic evidence to ensure accuracy, continuity and integrity before presentation in proceedings. 2.4 Participate in case briefings with relevant personnel.
3. Present evidence	3.1 Communicate evidence in a clear, concise and articulate manner. 3.2 Describe and explain exhibits to inform proceedings.
4. Review provision of forensic evidence	4.1 Participate in evaluation of court proceedings to identify issues. 4.2 Communicate issues for quality assurance purposes. 4.3 Evaluate involvement in judicial proceedings to inform future practice.

Foundation Skills

The foundation skills demands of this unit have been mapped for alignment with the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF). The following tables outline the performance levels indicated for successful attainment of the unit.

ACSF levels indicative of performance:

1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Learning NA					Reading					Writing					Oral communication					Numeracy NA				

Performance variables:

1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Support					Context					Text complexity					Task complexity				

Further information on ACSF and the foundation skills underpinning this unit can be found in the Foundation Skills Guide on the GSA website.

Unit Mapping Information

No equivalent unit.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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

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