



Australian Government

POLSAR015 Manage search and rescue media requirements

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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 5.0

Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to assess media requirements in line with the nature of the search and rescue (SAR) incident and SAR operation, and to facilitate media presence.

This unit applies to police officers involved in police SAR operations.

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 information security and media engagement.

Those undertaking this unit may work autonomously and supervise teams while remaining responsible for reporting to senior staff. They would demonstrate adaptability across a broad range of contexts while performing complex tasks.

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

Pre-requisite Unit

Not applicable.

Competency Field

Search and rescue

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 Assess SAR incident media requirements | <ul style="list-style-type: none">1.1 Define restricted and/or special access areas for media personnel to safeguard the operation1.2 Coordinate media involvement through the appointment of a media liaison1.3 Balance operational responsibilities with the provision of information to media1.4 Liaise with stakeholders to negotiate consistent key messaging and to communicate media strategy1.5 Identify opportunities for media to support SAR operations |
| 2 Facilitate and manage media presence at SAR incident | <ul style="list-style-type: none">2.1 Identify logistical arrangements to support the safety of media when attending a SAR incident2.2 Manage information flow to media representatives in support of SAR operation2.3 Identify and allocate resources required to set up media briefing area2.4 Identify and allocate spokesperson to provide current and accurate information to public2.5 Determine information for release to media to suit operational demands and/or level of incident2.6 Identify opportunities for media briefing sessions and tours in accordance with operational responsibilities and media requirements2.7 Record media enquiries and interviews for accountability purposes |

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 POL Police Training Package Companion Volume Implementation Guide.

Unit Mapping Information

This unit replaces and is equivalent to POL SAR003 Manage search and rescue media requirements.

Links

Companion Volume Implementation Guides can be found on VETNet - -

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