



Australian Government

PSPBDR004 Maintain detector dog proficiency

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Modification History

Release	Comments
1	This unit was released in PSP Public Sector Training Package release 1.0 and meets the Standards for Training Packages. This unit supersedes and is equivalent to PSPBORD304A Maintain detector dog proficiency. • Unit code updated • Content and formatting updated to comply with the new standards • All PC transitioned from passive to active voice

Application

This unit describes the skills required to maintain a detector dog at maximum level of performance and readiness. This involves team handler plus dog in ongoing proficiency training. The unit includes developing a plan for proficiency maintenance training, implementing the training maintaining dog/handler team performance, and maintaining the dog's health and well-being.

This unit applies to those working in canine detector teams who are responsible for the currency of the dog/handler team's performance and readiness.

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 work as part of a team, performing routine tasks in a range of contexts.

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

Competency Field

Border protection

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. Develop a plan for proficiency maintenance training	1.1 Assess detector dog's capability. 1.2 Identify and assess the needs of the dog/handler team. 1.3 Develop a tailored proficiency maintenance training plan addressing the unique needs, strengths and weaknesses of the team. 1.4 Schedule training to meet priority needs within an agreed timeframe. 1.5 Update training plan regularly to reflect the changing needs of the team.
2. Implement proficiency maintenance training	2.1 Implement proficiency maintenance training in accordance with the schedule and available resources. 2.2 Assess the dog's response to training immediately. 2.3 Modify training as required to meet desired outcomes. 2.4 Undertake custody, transport and use of training aids. 2.5 Maintain training and other records.
3. Maintain dog/handler team performance	3.1 Identify and agree upon performance standards for the detector dog team with relevant personnel. 3.2 Implement a plan for achieving team effectiveness. 3.3 Assess the detector dog team's effectiveness against specific performance criteria. 3.4 Maintain performance records for monitoring purposes. 3.5 Review team plans and working practices and identify improvements if required to achieve maximum performance.
4. Maintain dog's health and well-being	4.1 Monitor the detector dog's health on a regular and consistent basis. 4.2 Identify and address the dog's needs and problems. 4.3 Maintain the detector dog at a high level of fitness. 4.4 Clean and maintain detector dog's quarters to the required standard.

Foundation Skills

Foundation skills are embedded within the elements and performance criteria of this unit.

Unit Mapping Information

This unit supersedes and is equivalent to PSPBORD304A Maintain detector dog proficiency.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=bebbece7-ff48-4d2c-8876-405679019623>

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