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PSPBDR018 Examine and test firearms

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Modification History

Supersedes and is equivalent to PSPBDR013 Examine and test firearms.

Application

This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge required to identify and classify firearms subject to international trade or travel, and to safety test imported firearms.

This unit applies to those working autonomously as firearms specialists performing routine tasks in familiar contexts.

The skills in this unit must be applied in accordance with Commonwealth and State or Territory legislation, Australian standards and industry codes of practice.

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

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Competency Field

Border protection

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS

Elements describe the essential outcomes

1. Identify firearms and components.

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

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

- 1.1. Prepare firearms and components for examination.
- 1.2. Examine firearms and components to determine features.
- 1.3. Research internal resources to confirm observations.
- 1.4. Seek advice on obscure or complex items from relevant personnel.
- 1.5. Determine classification of firearms and components based on examination.
- 1.6. Determine the requirement for, or exemption from, safety testing.

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| 2. Conduct safety tests. | 2.1. Test firearms against standards specified in legislation, regulations, policies and guidelines.
2.2. Operate relevant equipment.
2.3. Identify and action work health and safety issues.
2.4. Interpret the results of equipment use correctly. |
| 3. Maintain resources. | 3.1. Maintain equipment to manufacturer specifications and in accordance with standard operating procedures and guidelines.
3.2. Organise repairs to equipment as soon as practicable. |
| 4. Review and report on activities. | 4.1. Record outcomes of firearm identification and safety testing activities and disseminate information to relevant personnel.
4.2. Evaluate the outcomes, procedures and processes used.
4.3. Identify and action improvements to procedures and processes in accordance with scope of own job role. |

Foundation Skills

Foundation skills essential to performance in this unit, but not explicit in the performance criteria are listed here, along with a brief context statement.

SKILLS	DESCRIPTION
Reading skills to:	interpret user manuals for implementation of maintenance procedures.
Writing skills to:	- document maintenance performed in accordance with organisational templates and requirements - report factual findings with organisations or individuals.
Numeracy skills to:	- use measuring equipment to achieve accuracy in measurement. - plan and prioritise work.
Problem-solving skills to:	undertake routine analysis and decision-making using sound judgment within defined parameters.

Unit Mapping Information

Supersedes and is equivalent to PSPBDR013 Examine and test firearms.

Links

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Assessment Requirements for PSPBDR018 Examine and test firearms

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Performance Evidence

Evidence of the ability to complete tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit in the context of the job role, and:

- examine and test 4 different firearms and:
 - apply legislation, regulations and policies for firearms examination and testing
 - operate and maintain equipment to achieve desired outcomes
 - select and use correct cleaning agents, solvents and lubricants
 - select and use appropriate tools and equipment
 - apply procedures relating to work health and safety and environment for the firearms being examined and tested.

Knowledge Evidence

Demonstrated knowledge required to complete the tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit:

- Australian legal framework as it applies to the examination and testing of firearms
- legislation regulations, policies, procedures, guidelines and standard operating procedures relating to examination and testing of firearms in the context of international trade or travel
- custodial firearms safe handling procedures
- firearms safety issues
- firearms and firearms related components recognition indicators
- firearms research materials and resources
- organisational values, ethics codes of conduct or service charter
- security and reporting procedures
- risk management policy and practices
- risk assessment techniques
- protocols for handling and storage of evidence
- equipment maintenance procedures
- equipment operation and usage.

Assessment Conditions

Skills must be demonstrated in the workplace or in a simulated environment that reflects workplace conditions.

Assessment must ensure access to:

- legislation, regulations, policies, procedures, guidelines and standard operating procedures relating to examination and testing of firearms
- testing and maintenance equipment
- sample firearms resources and equipment required of the working environment.

Assessors must satisfy the Standards for Registered Training Organisations' requirements for assessors.

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