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Assessment Requirements for PUA FIR308 Employ personal protection at a hazardous materials incident

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Modification History

Release 1. This is the first release of this unit of competency in the PUA Public Safety Training Package.

Performance Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy all the requirements of the elements, performance criteria and range of conditions and includes

- applying Work, Health and Safe (WHS)/Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) organisational requirements
- checking, testing and maintaining personal protective clothing and equipment
- completing hazardous materials operations
- completing organisational documentation
- following organisational testing procedures
- identifying and accessing sources of information for recognition of chemical hazards and dangerous goods
- identifying appropriate protective clothing and equipment for a range of hazardous materials
- implementing decontamination procedures
- operating personal protective equipment including Breathing Apparatus (BA), control boards and Distress Signal Units (DSU)
- selecting, donning, operating and maintaining personal protective clothing and equipment
- working in area of operations
- working in personal protective clothing and equipment at hazardous materials incidents

Knowledge Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy all the requirements of the elements, performance criteria and range of conditions and includes knowledge of

- characteristics and limitations of personal protective clothing and equipment
- check, test and maintenance procedures for personal protective clothing and equipment
- decontamination area including holding area, wash area and disrobing and rest area
- decontamination of personal protective clothing and equipment
- decontamination procedures and types of decontamination including decontamination plan and corridor
- decontamination techniques including wet, dry, combination of wet and dry and emergency, emergency mass and technical decontamination

- environmental hazards
- equipment including breathing apparatus
- local and systemic effects of industrial toxins
- main routes for entry of toxins into the human body
- organisational documentation, policies and procedures
- sources of information to identify chemical hazards and dangerous goods
- use and limitations of industry exposure standards
- Work, Health and Safe (WHS)/Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) organisational requirements including risk mitigation processes

Assessment Conditions

As a minimum, assessors must satisfy applicable regulatory requirements, which include requirements in the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment.

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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, assessment must occur in industry approved simulated workplace operational situations that reflect workplace conditions.

Resources for assessment must include access to

- a range of relevant exercises, case studies and/or simulations
- relevant and appropriate materials, equipment, tools, and personal protective clothing and equipment currently used in industry
- applicable documentation including organisational procedures, industry standards, equipment specifications, regulations, codes of practice and operation manuals.

Links

PUA Training Package Companion Volume Implementation Guide is found in VETNet - <https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=3eca5672-6d5a-410b-8942-810d0ba05bbf>