



Australian Government

Assessment Requirements for PUA FIR310

Operate specialist appliance

Release: 1

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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 and performance criteria on at least one occasion and includes

- applying Work, Health and Safety (WHS)/Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) organisational requirements
- checking and maintaining equipment and reporting faults
- concluding specialist appliance operations
- identifying and avoiding hazards
- implementing safe work practices
- operating specialist appliance
- operating equipment located on specific appliances
- siting specialist appliance
- using approved communication methods
- working with ancillary equipment
- wearing personal protective clothing and equipment

Knowledge Evidence

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

- ancillary equipment
- communication methods on fire ground
- hazards including atmospheric conditions such as wind direction and strength, fire explosion, fire spread, hazardous atmospheres such as smoke and toxic gases and structural collapse
- impact of weather on operation of specialist appliance
- organisational documentation, policies and procedures for use in specialist appliances
- personal protective clothing and equipment
- potential hazards
- principal features and components of specialist appliance
- safe working operations including compliance with manufacturers' specifications, organisational operational procedures and WHS/OHS guidelines
- specialist appliance including breathing apparatus unit, command unit, firefighting appliance

either non-water or foam, foam or water tender, HAZMAT (hazardous materials) response unit, hose layer, lighting and salvage units and rescue tender

- Work, Health and Safety (WHS)/Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) organisational requirements including risk mitigation

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, tools, equipment and personal protective clothing and equipment currently used in industry including
 - organisational specialist appliances and site suitable for assessment
- 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>