



Australian Government

Assessment Requirements for PUA FIR609

Collect, record and coordinate the analysis of physical evidence

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
- collaborating with technical specialists
- collecting, recording and labelling physical evidence sufficient for analysis
- collecting, packaging and preserving physical evidence to ensure continuity of evidence
- collating quantity and quality of samples
- coordinating and conducting analysis processes
- disposing of evidence correctly
- evaluating scene and determining investigation plan
- maximising evidentiary value of physical evidence
- recording physical evidence
- storing, processing and transporting evidence
- utilising interviewing skills

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

- application and potential limitations of forensic investigative techniques field detection systems and resources including operation of photo ionisation detector and canines
- collection, records and continuity of physical evidence
- context in which forensic examinations are conducted
- documentation for recording and collecting physical evidence
- factors for consideration when packaging and storing physical evidence
- interpretation of test results
- quality and quantity of samples
- range of techniques for recording, collecting, packaging, labelling and preserving physical evidence
- roles and functions of forensic specialists in recording, collecting, preserving and ensuring

continuity of physical evidence

- organisational documentation, policies and procedures
- security, protection and preservation of physical evidence
- 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, equipment, tools and personal protective clothing and equipment currently used in industry including
 - evidence management, handling and packaging resources and quality and quantity of samples
- 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>