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PUADEFCA424B Observe and direct machine gun fire

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Modification History

Not applicable.

Unit Descriptor

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This unit covers the competency required to observe and direct machine gun fire onto targets in accordance with ***standard procedures*** in the Australian Defence Force (ADF).

While this work will be undertaken under the commander's direction, the individual must also have authority to act independently.

Application of the Unit

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The application of this unit in the workplace - the environments, complexities and situations involved - will be written during Phase II of the Review of the PUA00 Public Safety Training Package.

This text will be useful for the purposes of job descriptions, recruitment advice or job analysis; where possible, it will not be too job specific to allow other industries to import it into other Training Packages, where feasible.

Licensing/Regulatory Information

Not applicable.

Pre-Requisites

Prerequisite Unit/s PUADEFCA421B Supervise infantry operations

Employability Skills Information

Employability Skills This unit contains employability skills.

Elements and Performance Criteria Pre-Content

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a Unit of Competency.

Performance Criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. Where bold italicised text is used, further information is detailed in the Required Skills and Knowledge and/or the Range Statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the Evidence Guide.

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
1. Occupy and prepare a location	1.1 An appropriate vantage point is occupied and concealment is maintained throughout operation 1.2 Occupied position is established in accordance with standard procedures 1.3 Reference points are established and documented in accordance with standard procedures 1.4 Possible threats are observed and monitored and an appropriate plan of action is prepared
2. Plan the engagement of firepower	2.1 Standard terminology is used so that clear communication with all stakeholders is maintained 2.2 Target position is established 2.3 Altitude of target is determined from map 2.4 Communications are maintained with stakeholders throughout the operation and personnel safety in the target area is ensured 2.5 Target is described to stakeholders 2.6 Type of engagement is determined and instructions are conveyed to the gun line
3. Direct fire onto target	3.1 Planning information is transmitted to the command post 3.2 Direction to fire is transmitted to the gun line 3.3 Target analysis is completed after impact and if appropriate referred to supervisor 3.4 Adjustments of fire are completed or terminated as required
4. Withdraw from an occupied location	4.1 Occupied position is reconditioned and all evidence of occupation is removed 4.2 Secure withdrawal from the occupied position is conducted

Required Skills and Knowledge

REQUIRED SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level, required for this unit.

Required Skills

- communicate effectively
- interpret orders
- provide reports and appropriate documentation
- situational awareness

Required Knowledge

- characteristics, technical capabilities, effects, employment and limitations of the weapon
- communication procedures
- safety associated with operations

Evidence Guide

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Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to maintain safety of friendly personnel at all times; to complete a minimum of two live fire missions using sustained fire machine guns to engage the target; to cope with a high intensity situation encountered in a threat environment; and to recognise and apply own level of authority.

Consistency in performance

Competency should be demonstrated in a live fire environment.

Context of and specific resources for assessment

Context of assessment

Competency should be assessed in a live fire environment.

Specific resources for assessment

Access to live fire ranges, indirect fire support weapons, ammunition, and personnel.

Guidance information for assessment

Information that will assist or guide assessment will be written during Phase II of the Review of the PUA00 Public Safety Training Package.

Range Statement

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The Range Statement relates to the Unit of Competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. ***Bold italicised*** wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Standard procedures may include

Australian Standards
 Defence Instructions
 Doctrine pamphlets
 Job guides, other publications
 Manufacturers' handbooks, industry specifications and technical instructions
 Occupational health and safety (OH&S) regulations
 Organisational policies and procedures
 Procedure manuals
 Relevant local government by-laws
 Relevant state/territory or federal legislation
 Routine Orders
 Standing Operating Procedures
 Standing Orders
 Written and verbal orders

Engagement may include

Destroy
 Fix
 Harass
 Neutralise
 Suppress

Target analysis may include

Calculations for correction of fire
 Damage to the target
 Position of the beaten zone in relation to the target
 Value of the target

Unit Sector(s)

Not applicable.

Corequisite Unit/s

Co-requisite Unit/s Nil