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PUA31312 Certificate III in Public Safety (Aquatic Search and Rescue)

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Modification History

Release	TP version	Comments
3	PUA12 V2.1	Imported units updated.
2	PUA12 V2	Imported units updated
1	PUA12 v1	New release of existing qualification from PUA00 v8.1: PUA31310. Packaging rules wording revised, imported units updated. Equivalent.

Description

Not applicable.

Pathways Information

Pathways into the qualification
Candidates may enter the qualification through a number of entry points demonstrating potential to undertake vocational education and training at this qualification level, such as:

- after achieving the PUA21012 Certificate II in Public Safety (Aquatic Rescue)
- working in a lifesaver, lifeguard, first responder or marine rescue role
- with vocational experience in beach or marine safety and first responder roles.

Pathways from the qualification
After achieving the PUA31312 Certificate III in Public Safety (Aquatic Search and Rescue), candidates may undertake a range of qualifications relevant to their role, such as:

- PUA41112 Certificate IV in Public Safety (Community Safety)
- PUA42612 Certificate IV in Public Safety (Aquatic Search and Rescue Management).
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Licensing/Regulatory Information

Not applicable.

Entry Requirements

Not applicable.

Employability Skills Summary

Employability Skills are part of a unit of competency.

Employability Skills statements from a selection of units of competency from the PUA31312 Certificate III in Public Safety (Aquatic Search and Rescue) have been reproduced in the table below.

This table provides an example of Employability Skills for the qualification because Employability Skills within a qualification will vary depending on the qualification packaging options.

Employability Skill	Employability Skills Statement
Communication	- accurately record the details of casualties' condition, treatment and response to treatment in line with organisation's procedures - communicate, which may include Auslan gestures; calming and reassuring a casualty; face-to-face; facsimile; feedback of information; landline and mobile telephone; pamphlets translated into other languages; radio; signalling systems; using interpreters - record vital signs in planning treatment and report as appropriate - relay instructions clearly, concisely and accurately and obtain confirmation of understanding - use clear concise and appropriate language in all communications to client, assignment and organisation's requirements - use established communication pathways for routine and non-routine communication - use questioning, learning and summarising skills to establish client needs - write reports
Teamwork	- assist members of other emergency services - contribute to maintaining safety of other work group members - have knowledge of the composition of team and the roles and responsibilities of team members - move a casualty, which may be as part of a team - establish issues affecting safety of self and other personnel by identifying hazards and assessing risks - obtain search operation information and task information, and discuss with team members - participate in group discussions and informal meetings
Problem solving	- apply fault finding techniques - assess the movement of a casualty to a safer location by scene assessment, visual inspections, planning reviews, recognising hazard warnings, interviewing others at the scene - employ alternative communication strategies

	• identify hazards to self and others and take appropriate action to safeguard against injury • provide emergency care pending the arrival of appropriately qualified personnel • seek expert advice
Initiative and enterprise	• assess extent and nature of emergency care required • assist work group members in danger in accordance with standard operating procedures, ensuring personal safety is maintained • immediately report any changes in situation and/or conditions to designated person • improvise techniques where there is limited access to equipment • monitor, assess and amend treatment and management plan in response to changes in condition of the casualty and/or environment
Planning and organising	• assess extent and nature of initial emergency care required • select and check personal protective clothing and equipment according to organisational procedures to ensure it is operational prior to entry into incident situation • select and check search equipment for serviceability, and store/pack it for use • use equipment according to casualty's condition, availability and to organisation's procedures • use search formation or grids to locate missing persons or objects
Self-management	• establish issues affecting safety of self and other personnel by identifying hazards and assessing risks • implement hazard control and mitigation measures with minimum damage to the environment, while maintaining safety of self and others • maintain knowledge of legal and ethical issues in pre-hospital care and knowledge of current practices and procedures in emergency care • maintain universal hygiene precautions • maintain water and food intake, rest breaks and shelter requirements • recognise impact of own actions on safety of others • remain calm under pressure • undertake duties in line with organisational health and safety codes of practice and relevant legislation
Learning	• learn about current practices and procedures in emergency care • maintain knowledge in managing identified injuries in line with approved emergency care • recognise and refer personal capabilities and limitations to the

	team leader
	• recognise and report symptoms of operational stress
Technology	• identify hazards by accessing databases
	• operate first aid equipment
	• use communication systems and equipment
	• use hazard control equipment such as atmospheric monitoring equipment; meteorological equipment; radiation monitoring equipment
	• use search equipment such as radio communications equipment; information technology systems; mobile telephone; radio; signalling systems

Packaging Rules

11 units of competency are required for this qualification including:

- 6 core units
- 5 elective units

Choose a minimum of 3 elective units from the list below.
Choose the remaining 2 elective units from either the elective list below or elsewhere within this training package or another endorsed training package or accredited course.
All elective units selected from outside this qualification must be from an equivalent qualification level or higher.
Elective units selected must not duplicate content already covered by other units in this qualification.
Where a pre-requisite unit is attached to a unit it is identified by this symbol ⌞.
The pre-requisite units attached to any of the units must be undertaken and are additional to the number of units required for the qualification.

Code	Core Units
PUACOM001C	Communicate in the workplace
PUAOHS002B	Maintain safety at an incident scene
PUAOPE013A	Operate communications systems and equipment
PUASAR011C	Search as a member of an aquatic search team
PUATEA004D	Work effectively in a public safety organisation
HLTFA311A	Apply first aid
Code	Elective Units
PUACOM002B	Provide services to clients
PUAEME003C	Administer oxygen in an emergency situation ⌞ PUAEME001B Provide emergency care
PUAEME004A	Provide emergency care for suspected spinal injury ⌞ HLTFA211A Provide basic emergency life support OR ⌞ HLTFA311A Apply first aid
PUAEME005A	Provide pain management ⌞ HLTFA211A Provide basic emergency life support OR

	∟ HLTFA311A Apply first aid
PUAEMR026	Treat operational risk ∟ PUAEMR027 Assess operational risk
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PUAEQU001B	Prepare, maintain and test response equipment
PUAOHS001C	Follow defined occupational health and safety policies and procedures
PUAOPE009C	Navigate in an aquatic environment
PUAOPE010C	Operate an automated external defibrillator in an emergency ∟ PUAEME001B Provide emergency care OR ∟ HLTFA211A Provide basic emergency life support
PUAOPE012A	Control a Level 1 incident
PUAOPE027A	Undertake beach safety management activities
PUAPOLIM002A	Promote public safety objectives by liaison with a culturally specific community
PUASAR014A	Operate and maintain a small powercraft and motor for rescue operations
PUASAR015A	Crew small powercraft in a rescue operation
PUASAR016A	Operate and maintain a personal water craft for rescue operations
PUASAR017A	Undertake advanced surf rescue ∟ PUACOM001C Communicate in the workplace ∟ PUASAR012C Apply surf awareness and self-rescue skills ∟ PUASAR013A Participate in an aquatic rescue operation
PUASES012A	Work as a team member in an emergency operations centre
PUATEA002B	Work autonomously
PUAVEH001B	Drive vehicles under operational conditions
BSBFLM312C	Contribute to team effectiveness

HLTFA302B	Provide first aid in remote situation
HLTFA412A	Apply advanced first aid
HLTFA404C	Apply advanced resuscitation techniques
PMAOHS214B	Undertake helicopter safety and escape
SISCAQU202A	Perform basic water rescues
SISCAQU306A	Supervise clients at an aquatic facility or environment
SISCAQU307A	Perform advanced water rescues
SISCAQU312A	Assist participants with a disability during aquatic activities