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RIIWHS202D Enter and work in confined spaces

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Modification History

Release	Comment
1	The unit replaces RIIOHS202A Enter and work in confined spaces.
2	Editorial corrections.
3	Amended Application field.
4	Required frequency and volume of evidence amended in Performance evidence. Substantial amendments made in Assessment Conditions field, including: references to Industry Sectors, assessor and subject matter expert experience requirements, how assessment should be conducted and what it should confirm.

Application

This unit describes a participant's skills and knowledge required to enter and work in confined spaces in the Resources and Infrastructure Industries.

This unit is appropriate for those working in operational roles undertaking work in confined spaces.

Licensing, legislative, regulatory and certification requirements that apply to this unit can vary between states, territories, and Industry sectors. Relevant information must be sourced prior to application of the unit.

Note: The terms Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) and Work Health and Safety (WHS) are equivalent and generally either can be used in the workplace. In jurisdictions where the National Model WHS Legislation has not been implemented RTOs are advised to contextualise the unit of competency by referring to the existing State/Territory OHS legislative requirements.

Elements and Performance Criteria

1 Plan and prepare for working in confined space	1.1 Access, interpret and apply procedures for confined space entry and the environmental management plan and ensure the work activity is compliant 1.2 Obtain, confirm, clarify and apply work instructions and agreed procedure 1.3 Obtain, confirm, clarify and apply safety requirements 1.4 Obtain and confirm authorisation (entry permit) meets
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	regulatory requirements 1.5 Confirm the emergency response procedure is with the stand-by person and understood 1.6 Identify, obtain and implement signage and barrier requirements 1.7 Select tools and equipment for the tasks, check for serviceability and rectify or report any faults 1.8 Identify, confirm and apply the environmental protection requirements 1.9 Position rescue equipment by the entry permit
2 Work in confined space	2.1 Gain access to confined space 2.2 Ensure that the atmosphere is tested and monitored for harmful elements 2.3 Correctly apply tagging and lock-out procedures 2.4 Enter the confined space correctly 2.5 Maintain ongoing communication with the stand-by person 2.6 Comply with entry permit requirements 2.7 Monitor and adhere to allocated entry time
3 Exit confined space	3.1 Exit confined space correctly 3.2 Recover tools, equipment and materials 3.3 Conduct inspection of the confined space 3.4 Secure access to the confined space 3.5 Remove tagging and lock-out 3.6 Accurately complete confined space entry permit
4 Clean up	4.1 Clear work area and dispose of or recycle materials 4.2 Clean, check, maintain and store tools and equipment 4.3 Remove, clean and store barriers and signs

Foundation Skills

Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit. Further information is available in the Resources and Infrastructure Industry Training Package Companion Volume.

Unit Mapping Information

RIIOHS202A Entering and working in confined spaces

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=88a61002-9a21-4386-aaf8-69c76e675272>