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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with SFI Seafood Industry Training Package Version 1.0.

Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.

There must be evidence that the individual has used waders safely in an aquatic environment on at least one occasion, including:

- selecting and correctly fitting the appropriate waders and wading safety equipment for the required task and weather and environmental conditions
- using safe entry, wading and exiting techniques
- applying water safety and survival skills for prevention of injury and illness
- carrying out a simulated simple rescue of a person in difficulty using safe water rescue techniques and equipment and basic after-care assistance.

Knowledge Evidence

An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:

- characteristics of different types of waders and their safe use
- hazards and risks associated with the use of waders in aquatic and isolated environments
- techniques for minimising risks associated with working in waders
- potential hazards in freshwater and marine work environments
- water temperature factors that influence survival time
- how to calculate in-water survival times
- physiological effects and risks associated with immersion in cold water, and approaches for minimising these
- signs of a person in difficulty in water
- basic principles of individual survival in aquatic emergencies
- basic principles of water rescues, including how to prioritise rescues, and rescue techniques
- treatment of temperature-related illnesses

- water rescue equipment to assist rescue.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - skills must be demonstrated in an aquatic work environment or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
 - access to water of varying conditions and depths, including water too deep to stand up in
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - suitable clothing worn under waders
 - waders
 - wide adjustable belt, such as a diver webbing belt with quick release buckle
 - buoyant equipment
 - safety and rescue equipment, including personal flotation devices, ropes, poles or boat hook, bucket, container or similar object that can be used to assist flotation, and other equipment used to reach someone in difficulty
- specifications:
 - safety instructions relating to use of waders and water rescue
- relationships:
 - evidence of interactions with persons in need of assistance in realistic scenarios or role-plays.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: -
<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=e31d8c6b-1608-4d77-9f71-9ee749456273>