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SFICRO401 Manage minor crocodile incidents in the wild

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Modification History

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Release 1	This version released with SFI Seafood Industry Training Package Version 2.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to manage minor incidents relating to human interactions with crocodiles. This does not include managing incidents with human fatalities. It includes working with various agencies in relation to the incidents.

The unit applies to individuals who work with crocodiles in crocodile habitats. While this unit relates mostly to saltwater crocodiles, it may also entail incidents with other crocodile species.

All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, according to state/territory health and safety, biosecurity and environmental regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication. Licences or permits may be required for the use of firearms or restricted drugs on crocodiles or if operating vehicles.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Crocodile (CRO)

Elements and Performance Criteria

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1. Evaluate crocodile incident	1.1 Investigate nature of incident from eyewitness reports or own inspection 1.2 Make assessment of key factors that may impact an appropriate

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	response, including victim care, public and personal health and safety, crocodile care, biosecurity and environmental factors 1.3 Collect information to determine action according to the chain of command and workplace procedures 1.4 Interview informants to determine details of the incident
2. Respond to crocodile incident	2.1 Contact appropriate agencies to report the incident and seek medical assistance if required 2.2 Establish communications necessary to manage the situation 2.3 Transport resources and personnel to site and, if required, instruct personnel to establish physical barriers to keep the public away from the incident site 2.4 Establish site procedures and implement emergency plans according to the nature of the incident and health and safety requirements 2.5 Implement measures that minimise risk to the public, habitats, species and communities
3. Coordinate response to crocodile incident	3.1 Inform the general public and media of the nature of the incident and agency decisions according to workplace procedures 3.2 Brief volunteers or personnel on workplace health and safety hazards, preventative measures, the use of personal protective equipment (PPE) and reporting requirements 3.3 Manage immediate media response in calm, factual and logical manner
4. Complete crocodile incident management action	4.1 Follow incident management processes for debrief of the incident 4.2 Document incident and action taken, and determine if follow-up procedures are required

Foundation Skills

This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria.

Skill	Description
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Writing	• Complete incident documentation using appropriate technical terminology
Oral communication	• Address the general public and media using clear factual language • Provide brief and clear instructions to manage incident processes • Communicate in a culturally sensitive manner

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
SFICRO401 Manage minor crocodile incidents in the wild	Not applicable	Unit has been created to address an emerging skill required by industry	Newly created

Links

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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:

- managed at least five simulated minor crocodile incidents
- conducted at least one simulated media interview.

In doing the above, there must also be evidence that the individual has:

- complied with crocodile risk and safety standards
- treated crocodiles humanely
- complied with biosecurity and health and safety guidelines
- communicated with relevant parties.

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:

- risk factors in crocodile habitats
- types of potential incidents involving crocodiles
- potential hazards and risks at the site of a crocodile incident:
 - crocodile weight and size (if it is still at the scene or in the vicinity)
 - other crocodiles in the vicinity
 - unpredictable behaviour
 - environmental hazards and contamination
 - peoples' actions
- basic features of incident management system, including:
 - roles of team members, including medical personnel
 - chain of command and communication
 - sequence of action to be followed

- incident zones – hot, warm, cold
- incident barricade procedures
- briefing and debriefing processes
- media communication:
 - getting background information about the interview/key areas of focus/the interviewer
 - preparing by mapping out key message(s)
 - staying factual in information delivery, not speculating
 - explaining events in a manner that can be understood by the audience
 - remaining even-tempered
 - not answering hypothetical questions
- agency liaison, including:
 - medical
 - government
 - national parks
- safe working practices, including:
 - personal protective equipment (PPE)
 - hygiene and biosecurity procedures
 - basic manual handling techniques
- biosecurity guidelines for crocodile habitats, including not contaminating waterways
- culturally sensitive communication protocol.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - skills must be demonstrated in an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources:
 - policies relating to media interviews
- specifications:
 - crocodile safety documentation, codes of practice, policies and procedures
- relationships:
 - relevant parties.

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

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