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Modification History

Not applicable.

Performance Evidence

Evidence of the ability to complete tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit in the context of the job role, and:

- lead three sea kayaking sessions for a group of participants according to predetermined activity plans
- across the three sessions, collectively use two different demonstration and instruction techniques
- during each session consistently manage participant adherence to safety procedures
- determine a total of three required activity modifications to suit prevailing conditions and participant capabilities and responses
- utilise options provided in Assessment Conditions to:
 - respond to a total of three different immediate safety risks that have arisen during activities
 - respond to a total of two emergency situations and complete two incident reports
 - complete two reports on equipment faults
 - after each session, facilitate a debrief with participants and participate in a team member debrief.

Knowledge Evidence

Demonstrated knowledge required to complete the tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit:

- organisational safety, emergency response and first aid procedures for sea kayaking activity sessions
- a range of demonstration and instruction techniques applicable to recreational activities
- appropriateness of different demonstration and instruction techniques for a range of ages and capabilities
- the importance of verbalising instructions during demonstrations and providing reasons for doing things in a certain way
- techniques used to:
 - build group cohesion
 - motivate and encourage participants to keep them engaged and challenged
 - provide constructive feedback to participants
- key principles of group dynamics and techniques used to manage positive group dynamics

- signs, stages and levels of conflict within groups and techniques used to resolve at various stages of escalation
- specific to sea kayaking activities in exposed coastal waters:
 - roles and responsibilities of different activity leaders and support staff
 - communication protocols used between participants and leaders during activities
 - how characteristics of participants affect the selection of equipment, including personal protective equipment:
 - age, size and weight
 - current experience in the recreational activity and skill level
 - fitness level and physical capabilities
 - injuries and medical conditions
 - emotional, behavioural and intellectual ability or disability
 - potential hazards and associated risks and safety procedures used to manage these
 - raft up techniques used for group demonstration and instruction.

Assessment Conditions

Skills must be demonstrated in areas of exposed coastline with surf but without overfalls and tidal races present. The environment must feature the following:

- water with breaking white capping waves up to 1.0 metre and difficult landings may be involved
- ideally fresh winds of 17-21 knots (Beaufort Scale); winds could vary but warnings should not exceed fresh wind conditions.

The following resources must be available to replicate industry conditions of operation:

- first aid equipment
- communication equipment for emergency response
- rescue equipment.

Assessment must ensure use of:

- a group of participants whom the individual leads
- real workplace situations, or simulated activities, or case study scenarios that test aspects of this unit that relate to:
 - activity modifications for prevailing conditions and participant needs
 - arising safety risks
 - emergency situations
 - equipment faults
- clothing and footwear suitable for the conditions
- Australian Standard, or equivalent, compliant lifejackets of a grade that meets maritime regulator requirements for the location

- helmets as required
- pea-less whistles not affected by water
- kayaks which can include singles or doubles
- kayak paddles
- activity plans
- template:
 - safety checklists
 - participant informed consents
 - equipment fault reports
 - incident reports
- organisational safety, emergency response and first aid procedures for sea kayaking activity sessions.

Assessors must satisfy the Standards for Registered Training Organisations requirements for assessors, and:

- have a collective period of at least three years' experience as a sea kayaking leader, guide or instructor, where they have applied the skills and knowledge covered in this unit of competency; the three years' experience can incorporate full and or part time experience.

Links

Companion Volume Implementation Guides -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=1ca50016-24d2-4161-a044-d3faa200268b>