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UETDRRT26A Maintain overhead rail traction configurations

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Modification History

Not applicable.

Unit Descriptor

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1) Scope:

1.1) Descriptor

This Competency Standard Unit covers the maintenance and repair of overhead traction configurations, which include overlaps, cross-overs, turnouts, crossings and/or train/tram crossings. It includes the repair and/or replacement of “like for like” electrical equipment and associated hardware according to requirements and the undertaking of safe working practices on or about the running line/track, including the correct positioning of road signs, barriers and/or warning devices and the procedure for issuing/accepting electrical permits. It also encompasses the isolation of systems and circuits for safe working according to work plans and the visual inspection and necessary checks to confirm that equipment and associated hardware are in a safe condition to test and/or return to service as well as the undertaking of re-commissioning tests to ensure the integrity of the traction system prior to a return to service and the updating of system data and/or maintenance records.

Application of the Unit

Application of the Unit 2)

This Competency Standard Unit is intended to augment formally acquired competencies. It is suitable for employment-based programs under an approved contract of training.

Licensing/Regulatory Information

License to practice 3)

The skills and knowledge described in this unit may require a licence/registration to practice in the work place subject to regulations for undertaking of electrical work. Practice in workplace and during training is also subject to regulations directly related to Occupational Health and Safety, electricity/telecommunications/gas/water industry safety and compliance, industrial relations, environmental protection, anti discrimination and training. Commonwealth, State/Territory or Local Government legislation and regulations may exist that limits the age of operating certain equipment.

Pre-Requisites

Prerequisite Unit(s) 4)

Competencies 4.1)

Granting of competency in this unit shall be made only after competency in the following unit(s) has/have been confirmed.

Where pre-requisite pathways have been identified. All competencies in the Common Unit Group must be have been completed.

Common Unit Group

Unit Code	Unit Title
UEENEEE101A	Apply Occupational Health and Safety regulations, codes and practices in the workplace
UEENEEE102A	Fabricate, assemble and dismantle utilities industry components
UEENEEE104A	Solve problems in d.c. Circuits
UEENEEE105A	Fix and secure electrotechnology equipment
UEENEEE107A	Use drawings, diagrams, schedules,

Prerequisite Unit(s)	4)	standards, codes and specifications
	UEENEEG101A	Solve problems in electromagnetic devices and related circuits
	UEENEEG102A	Solve problems in low voltage a.c. Circuits
	UETTDREL11A	Apply sustainable energy and environmental procedures
	UETTDREL12A	Operate plant and equipment near live electrical conductors and apparatus
	UETTDREL16A	Working safely near live electrical apparatus
	UETTDNIS52A	Install and maintain poles, structures and associated hardware
	UETTDNIS54A	Install and maintain poles, structures, overhead conductors and cables
	UETTDRT21A	Install traction overhead wiring systems
	UETTDRT22A	Maintain traction overhead wiring systems
	UETTDRT23A	Install rail traction bonds
	UETTDRT25A	Install overhead rail traction configurations
	UETTDRT27A	Install overhead traction components and equipment
	UETTDRT28A	Maintain overhead traction components and equipment

Literacy and numeracy skills 4.2)

Participants are best equipped to achieve this unit if they have reading, writing and numeracy skills indicated by the following scales. Description of each scale is given in

Volume 2, Part 3 “Literacy and Numeracy”.

Reading 3 Writing 3 Numeracy 3

Employability Skills Information

Employability Skills 5)

The required outcomes described in this unit of competency contain applicable facets of Employability Skills. The Employability Skills Summary of the qualification in which this unit of competency is packaged will assist in identifying Employability Skill requirements.

Elements and Performance Criteria Pre-Content

6) Elements describe the essential outcomes of a competency standard unit Performance Criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the Evidence Guide.

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
1 Prepare to maintain overhead traction configurations	1.1 Works schedule(s), including drawings, plans, requirements, established procedures, and material lists, are received, analysed and confirmed, if necessary, by site inspection.
	1.2 Relevant requirements and established procedures for the work are communicated to all personnel and identified for all work sites.
	1.3 OHS policies and procedures related to requirements and established procedures for the maintenance of overhead traction configurations are obtained and confirmed for the purposes of the work to be performed and communicated.

ELEMENT**PERFORMANCE CRITERIA**

- 1.4 Work is prioritised and sequenced following consultation with others for completion within acceptable timeframes and in accordance with established procedures.
- 1.5 Hazards are identified; OHS risks assessed and control measures are prioritised, implemented and monitored including emergency exits kept clear according to established procedures.
- 1.6 Relevant work permits are obtained to access and perform work according to requirements and/or established procedures.
- 1.7 Resources including personnel, equipment, tools and personal protective equipment required for the job are obtained and confirmed in working order.
- 1.8 Relevant personnel at worksite are confirmed current in CPR, First Aid, and other rescue procedures according to requirements.
- 1.9 Liaison and communication issues with other authorised personnel, authorities, clients and land owners are resolved to carry out work where necessary.
- 1.10 Site is prepared according to the work schedule and to minimise risk and damage to property, commerce, and individuals in accordance with established procedures.
- 1.11 Personnel participating in the work, including plant operators and contractors, are fully briefed and respective responsibilities confirmed where applicable in accordance with established procedures.
- 1.12 Rail/road signs, barriers and warning devices are positioned in accordance with requirements.
- 1.13 Environmental constraints applicable to work are identified and control measures applied.

ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
2 Carry out the maintenance of overhead traction configurations	2.1 OHS and sustainable energy principles and practices to reduce the incidents of accidents and minimise waste are monitored and followed in accordance with requirements and/or established procedures. 2.2 Lifting, climbing, working aloft, use of power tools/equipment, techniques and practices are safely followed and, currency according to requirements confirmed. 2.3 Systems and circuits are isolated as required, proved safe to work on in accordance with the requirements/permits and established procedures. 2.4 Essential knowledge and associated skills are applied in the safe maintenance of overhead traction configurations to ensure completion in an agreed timeframe and, to quality standards with a minimum of waste according to requirements. 2.5 Electrical equipment and associated hardware is tested in accordance with requirements and established procedures. 2.6 Maintenance, including repair and/or replacement of overhead traction configurations is carried out, in accordance with the work schedule and requirements/established procedures. 2.7 Hazard warnings and safety signs are recognised and hazards and assessed OHS risks are reported to the immediate authorised persons for directions according to established procedures. 2.8 Unplanned events during the maintenance of overhead traction configurations are undertaken within the scope of established procedures. 2.9 Known solutions to a variety of problems are applied using acquired essential knowledge and associated skills. 2.10 Ongoing checks of quality of the work are undertaken in accordance with instructions and

ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
3 Complete the maintenance of overhead traction configurations	established procedures.
	3.1 Work undertaken is checked and tested against works schedule for conformance with requirements and anomalies reported in accordance with established procedures.
	3.2 Work site is rehabilitated, cleaned up and made safe in accordance with established procedures.
	3.3 Tools, equipment and any surplus resources and materials are, where appropriate, cleaned, checked and returned to storage in accordance with established procedures.
	3.4 Relevant work permit(s) are signed off after final inspections and recommissioning checks. The system is energised, tested and returned to service in accordance with requirements.
	3.5 Works completion records, reports, as installed /modified drawing and/or documentation and information are finalised and processed and appropriate personnel notified.

Required Skills and Knowledge

REQUIRED SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

8) Essential Knowledge and Associated Skills (EKAS): This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level, required for this unit.

Evidence shall show that knowledge of maintaining overhead traction configurations has been acquired.

All knowledge and skills detailed in this unit should be contextualised to current industry practices and technologies.

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Evidence shall show an understanding of the maintenance of overhead traction configurations indicated by the following aspects:

T1 Traction configuration principles encompassing:

- Types
- Purpose
- Assemblies
- Sub-assemblies
- Components

T2 Maintenance of traction configurations encompassing:

- Types of components
- Types and function of tools and equipment
- Maintenance/repair procedures
- Inspection and recording procedures

T3 Diagnose and correct simple faults in specific traction configurations encompassing:

- Types and causes
- Determination of appropriate corrective actions
- Repair and replace procedures for components of specific configurations

Evidence Guide

EVIDENCE GUIDE

9) This provides essential advice for assessment of the competency standard unit and must be read in conjunction with the Performance Criteria and the range statement of the competency standard unit and the Training Package Assessment Guidelines.

The Evidence Guide forms an integral part of this Competency Standard Unit and shall be used in conjunction with all component parts of this unit and, performed in accordance with the Assessment Guidelines of this Training Package.

Overview of Assessment

9.1)

Longitudinal competency development approaches to assessment, such as Profiling, require data to be reliably gathered in a form that can be consistently interpreted over time. This approach is best utilised in Apprenticeship programs and reduces assessment intervention. It is the Industry's preferred model for apprenticeships. However, where summative (or final) assessment is used it is to include the application of the competency in the normal work environment or, at a minimum, the application of the competency in a realistically simulated work environment. It is recognised that, in some circumstances, assessment in part or full can occur outside the workplace. However, it must be in accord with Industry and, Regulatory policy in this regard.

Methods chosen for a particular assessment will be influenced by various factors. These include the extent of the assessment, the most effective locations for the assessment activities to take place, access to physical resources, additional safety measures that may be required and the critical nature of the competencies being assessed.

The critical safety nature of working with electricity, electrical equipment, gas or any other hazardous substance/material carries risk in deeming a person competent. Hence, sources of evidence need to be 'rich' in nature so as to minimise error in judgment.

Activities associated with normal every day work have a bearing on the decision as to how much and how detailed the data gathered will contribute to its 'richness'. Some skills are more critical to safety and operational requirements while the same skills may be more or less frequently practiced. These points are raised for the assessors to consider when choosing an assessment method and developing assessment instruments. Sample assessment instruments are included for Assessors in the Assessment Guidelines of this Training Package.

**Critical aspects
of evidence
required to
demonstrate
competency in
this unit** **9.2)**

Before the critical aspects of evidence are considered all prerequisites shall be met.

Evidence for competence in this unit shall be considered holistically. Each element and associated Performance Criteria shall be demonstrated on at least two occasions in accordance with the “Assessment Guidelines – UET12”. Evidence shall also comprise:

- A representative body of Performance Criteria demonstrated within the timeframes typically expected of the discipline, work function and industrial environment. In particular this shall incorporate evidence that shows a candidate is able to:
 - Implement Occupational Health and Safety workplace procedures and practices including the use of risk control measures as specified in the Performance Criteria and range; and
 - Apply sustainable energy principles and practices as specified in the Performance Criteria and range; and
 - Demonstrate an understanding of the essential knowledge and associated skills as described in this unit to such an extent that the learner’s performance outcome is reported in accordance with the preferred approach; namely a percentile graded result, where required by the regulated environment; and
 - Demonstrate an appropriate level of employability skills; and
- Conduct work observing the relevant Anti Discrimination legislation, regulations, policies and workplace procedures; and
- Demonstrated performance across a representative range of contexts from the prescribed items below:

Range of tools/equipment/materials/procedures/workplaces/other variables		
Group No	The minimum number of items on which skill is to be	Item List

	demonstrated	
A	At least three of the following:	Overlap Cross-over Turnout crossings Train/tram crossing
B	At least one of the following:	Elevating work platform Road/rail traction height access equipment, ladders
C	At least two of the following:	Height gauge Stagger gauge Cant gauge
D	At least one of the following:	Voltage detector (LV or HV) Voltmeter Insulation resistance tester Field intensity tester
E	At least one occasion	Dealing with an unplanned event by drawing on essential knowledge and associated skills to provide appropriate solutions incorporated in the holistic assessment with the above listed items.

Context of and specific resources for assessment **9.3)**

This unit should be assessed as it relates to normal work practice using procedures, information and resources typical of a workplace. This should include:

- OHS policy and work procedures and instructions.
- Suitable work environment, facilities, equipment and materials to undertake actual maintenance of overhead traction configuration.

In addition to the resources listed above, in context of and specific resources for assessment, evidence should show demonstrated competency working below ground, in limited spaces, with different structural/construction types and method and in a variety of environments.

Method of assessment**9.4)**

This Competency Standard Unit shall be assessed by methods given in Volume 1, Part 3 “Assessment Guidelines”.

Note:

Competent performance with inherent safe working practices is expected in the Transmission, Distribution and Rail Traction Industry. This requires that the specified essential knowledge and associated skills are assessed in a structured environment which is primarily intended for learning/assessment and incorporates all necessary equipment and facilities for learners to develop and demonstrate the essential knowledge and associated skills described in this unit.

Concurrent assessment and relationship with other units**9.5)**

There are no concurrent assessment recommendations for this unit.

Range Statement

RANGE STATEMENT

10) This relates to the competency standard unit as a whole providing the range of contexts and conditions to which the Performance Criteria apply. It allows for different work environments and situations that will affect performance.

This Competency Standard Unit shall be demonstrated in relation to the maintenance and pre-commissioning tests of overhead traction configurations according to work plans, encompassing the isolation of systems and circuits for safe working.

Maintenance includes the carrying out of diagnostics and tests on structures, conductors, equipment, systems as well as the removal, repair and replacement of cables, conductors, and associated hardware and returning such to operational service. It includes the repair and/or replacement of “like for like” electrical equipment and associated hardware

Types of track configurations that relate to overhead wiring and may include, overlaps, cross-overs, turnouts, 15 – 90 degree crossings, diamond crossings, insulated crossings, train/tram crossing, and tram frogs.

Overhead traction systems include their associated earthing systems.

Plant may include elevating work platforms, road rail traction height access equipment or ladder.

Testing and recording equipment (LV) include voltage detectors, volt meters and insulation resistance testers.

Testing and recording equipment (HV) includes voltage detectors and field intensity testers.

Permits may include access permits, permits to work and other relevant permits and documents by recognised bodies.

The following constants and variables included in the element/Performance Criteria in this unit are fully described in the Definitions Section 1 of this volume and form an integral part of the Range Statement of this unit:

- Appropriate and relevant persons (see Personnel)
- Appropriate authorities
- Appropriate work platform
- Assessing risk
- Assessment
- Authorisation
- Confined space
- Diagnostic, testing and restoration
- Documenting detail of work events, record keeping and or storage of information
- Drawings and specifications
- Emergency

RANGE STATEMENT

- Environmental and sustainable energy procedures
- Environmental legislation
- Environmental management documentation
- Established procedures
- Fall prevention
- Hazards
- Identifying hazards
- Inspect
- Legislation
- MSDS
- Notification
- OHS practices
- OHS issues
- Permits and/or permits to work
- Personnel
- Quality assurance systems
- Requirements
- Testing procedures
- Work clearance systems

Unit Sector(s)

Not applicable.

Competency Field

Competency Field **11)**

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