

Title	Lead a workplace emergency response team to protect people in situations of critical risk		
Level	5	Credits	6

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is for people in the workplace who have the responsibility for applying resources, coordinating, controlling, and taking command at emergencies in a specified workplace.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - lead a workplace emergency response team(s) in a workplace emergency situation; - evaluate the likelihood of incident escalation during a workplace emergency situation; and - manage evacuation of non-essential personnel from the area at risk from the workplace emergency.
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Classification	Community and Workplace Fire and Emergency Management > Workplace Fire and Emergency Response
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes:
Fire and Emergency New Zealand (Fire Safety, Evacuation Procedures, and Evacuation Schemes) Regulations 2018,
Fire and Emergency New Zealand Act 2017, and
Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002.
- 2 Definitions
Emergency procedures refer to the actions to be taken in the event of an emergency as stated in the Workplace Emergency Management Plan.
Emergency response teams are assembled to take on specific coordinating and controlling tasks that lessen the effect of fire and other emergencies that occur on a particular workplace. This unit standard is applicable to people who have an identified role in an established workplace emergency response team operated by a building owner/occupier or workplace employer.
Identifying clothing refers to the clothing that is worn by a workplace emergency warden and may include – hat, armband, jerkin, or other distinguishing clothing. Identifying clothing forms part of workplace emergency equipment.
Workplace Emergency Management Plan refers to the workplace document that contains emergency procedures to be conducted in the event of an emergency. The plan may be referred to as a Disaster Management Plan, Emergency Plan, or Business Continuity Plan and will include the building Evacuation Scheme or Procedure.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Lead a workplace emergency response team(s) in a workplace emergency situation.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Emergency situations are responded to and control is taken in accordance with emergency procedures.
- 1.2 Emergency response teams are coordinated to provide protection to people in areas of danger.
- 1.3 Emergency resources are obtained and applied to lessen the effects of the emergency.
- 1.4 Emergency response teams are managed and utilised in accordance with emergency procedures to lessen the effect of the emergency.

Outcome 2

Evaluate the likelihood of incident escalation during a workplace emergency situation.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 The potential for incident escalation and subsequent danger to people is estimated in relation to the size and type of incident.
- 2.2 The emergency response team is briefed in terms of the potential escalation.

Outcome 3

Manage evacuation of non-essential personnel from the area at risk from the workplace emergency.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 The evacuation of non-essential personnel is initiated and controlled in accordance with emergency procedures.
- 3.2 In-house protection of non-essential personnel who are unable to be evacuated is managed in accordance with emergency procedures.
- 3.3 All non-essential personnel are accounted for in accordance with emergency procedures.
- 3.4 Attending emergency service agencies are reported to, and the handover of emergency activities is made in accordance with emergency procedures.

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Comments on this unit standard

Please contact The Skills Organisation reviewcomments@skills.org.nz if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.