

Title	Demonstrate knowledge of emergency response actions for a road transport emergency		
Level	5	Credits	6

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: describe: road transport in-transit emergency situations; emergency response actions in terms of legal and organisational requirements; driver actions following an emergency; and support services to assist the recovery of staff involved in an emergency. They are also able to review reports of road transport incidents and recommend remedial action.
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Classification	Commercial Road Transport > Road Transport Operations
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legal requirements relevant to this unit standard include:
Land Transport Act 1998;
Land Transport (Road User) Rule 2004;
Land Transport Rule: Dangerous Goods 2005;
Resource Management Act 1991;
Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996.
- 2 Any new, amended or replacement Acts, regulations, Rules, standards, codes of practice, or Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency requirements or conditions affecting this unit standard will take precedence for assessment purposes, pending review of this unit standard.
- 3 **Definitions**
An *emergency* in this context is one of – a moving vehicle crashing into another object, a moving vehicle breaking down due to failure of some part of the vehicle, the load of a moving vehicle landing in the road corridor, a rollover, an attack on a driver, or an unforeseen health problem for a driver or a passenger requiring an unscheduled stop.
Organisational requirements include any legal requirements, standards, codes of practice, organisational and/or site requirements, industry best practices, and manufacturers' instructions. These must be available to candidates, providers, and assessors.
Road users include any vehicle, person or animal using a road and its immediate environs. This includes pedestrians, cyclists, and livestock.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe road transport in-transit emergency situations.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Road crashes are described in terms of severity of the emergency.
- Range collisions with other road users, collisions with inanimate objects, rollovers, single vehicle loss of control incidents.
- 1.2 Vehicle breakdowns are described in terms of causes and possible effects.
- Range may include – tyres, brakes, mechanical, electrical.
- 1.3 The possible consequences of part or all of a load moving, falling off, or spilling from a vehicle is described.
- Range one of – animals, dangerous or hazardous goods, bulk liquids, bulk dry goods, logs, containers, general freight, export or import consignments not yet cleared by Customs.
- 1.4 Unscheduled stops or incidents due to unforeseen health problems affecting a driver or passenger are described.

Outcome 2

Describe emergency response actions in terms of legal and organisational requirements.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 The purpose of planned organisational emergency responses is described.
- 2.2 The roles of government agencies in road transport emergencies are described.
- Range must include – NZ Police, NZ Fire Service, ambulance services; may include – WorkSafe, Ministry for Primary Industries, Environmental Protection Authority, road controlling authority.
- 2.3 Key components of emergency response actions are described in terms of individuals, responsibilities, and timings and comply with legal and organisational requirements.
- Range repair or recovery of broken down vehicles, communications with consignor and/or consignee, communications with families of driver and passengers, communications with media, cleaning and re-instatement of emergency site, documentation and reporting of the emergency, any relevant requirements for dangerous goods, and any relevant requirements for specified load types.

2.4 The legal requirements for reporting a road crash are described in terms of who is to be informed, and when.

Range three of – crash resulting in an injury, non-injury crash, crash involving third party property damage only, dangerous goods spillage, damage to the environment.

2.5 Actions to be taken in the event of a physical attack on a driver are described.

2.6 The legal requirements for reporting work-related injuries are described.

Outcome 3

Describe driver actions following an emergency.

Performance criteria

3.1 Priority actions for a driver who has been involved in a crash are described in terms of organisational requirements.

Range three of – crash resulting in an injury, non-injury crash, crash involving third party property damage only, dangerous goods spillage, damage to the environment.

3.2 Procedures to make the emergency site safe are described in terms of responsibilities and timings.

Range preserving life and preventing injuries, warning other road users, making the vehicle safe, protecting the site, protecting the environment, managing traffic, contacting emergency services, contacting the road controlling authority.

3.3 Procedures to minimise the consequences of the emergency are described.

Range includes impact on – driver, organisation, vehicle, load; may include – communications with media, NZ Police, other statutory authorities.

Outcome 4

Describe support services to assist the recovery of staff involved in an emergency.

Performance criteria

4.1 The external counselling and rehabilitation services available to assist staff to recover from an emergency, including any organisational services are described.

Range may include – victim support, industrial chaplain, workplace support programmes, medical assistance.

Outcome 5

Review reports of road transport incidents and recommend remedial action.

Range may include reports from – drivers, NZ Police, independent crash investigators, insurance reports, workshop reports, environmental reports.

Performance criteria

5.1 Incident reports are assessed for cause and effect, and remedial action to reduce the risk of a similar incident is recommended.

Range one crash emergency, one breakdown incident.

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Comments on this unit standard

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