

Title	Describe ethical issues relating to the work of fisheries observers		
Level	3	Credits	5

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is for people working in a commercial seafood operation.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to describe: ethical values and standards and obligations that apply to fisheries observers; and areas of potential ethical conflict for fisheries observers.</p>
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Classification	Seafood > Seafood Vessel Operations
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

1 All evidence presented in this unit standard must be in accordance with:

- Workplace procedures;
- Fisheries Act 1996;
- Health and Safety at Work Act 2015; and any subsequent amendments.

2 Definitions

Ethical values and standards refer to values about what is right, fair, just and good in terms of the conduct and behaviour of: fisheries observers in their dealings with their employers; the vessel's owners and operators, crew, and other personnel such as other fisheries observers, company representatives or agents; fisheries officers; and wharf personnel

Fisheries observer means, in the context of this unit standard, any person, supernumerary to a vessel's crew, who is employed to observe the activities of a seafood vessel, its crew, and/or the marine environment, and report their observations to their employer.

Workplace procedures refer to the policies and procedures set out in a verbal or written form by the employer or organisation. Procedures must be consistent with current legislative requirements and manufacturer's recommendations or instructions where relevant.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe the ethical values and standards, and obligations that apply to fisheries observers.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe the ethical values and standards required when carrying out the role of a fisheries observer.

Range includes but is not limited to – maintenance of professional integrity, impartiality, confidentiality.
- 1.2 Describe the reasons why ethical values and standards are relevant to a fisheries observer.
- 1.3 Describe the powers of a fisheries observer and obligations of persons on vessels carrying fisheries observers.

Outcome 2

Describe areas of potential ethical conflict for fisheries observers.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Describes areas of potential ethical conflict between personal and employer interests.

Range includes but is not limited to – acceptance of gifts, personal friendships/relationships, disclosure of information, matters of conscience and duty; evidence of four is required.
- 2.2 Describe areas of potential ethical conflict between personal and vessel owner/operator’s interests.

Range includes but is not limited to – commercial sensitivity, disclosure of information; evidence of two examples is required.

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Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	20 November 2006	31 December 2019
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Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0123
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Comments on this unit standard

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