Title | Demonstrate verbal communication skills in a wide range of tourism contexts
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Level | 3
Credits | 3

Purpose | People credited with this unit standard are able to demonstrate verbal communication skills in a wide range of tourism contexts.

Classification | Tourism > Visitor Services

Available grade | Achieved

Explanatory notes

1 Definitions
- **Receiver** refers to the customer(s), and may include but is not limited to – an individual, couple, family, group.
- **Sender** refers to the tourism employee.
- **Tourism workplace** refers to any organisation involved in the domestic tourism industry, the inbound tourism industry, or the outbound tourism industry. Tourism workplaces may include but are not limited to – transport operators, accommodation providers, attraction and activity operators, food and beverage establishments, visitor information centres, travel retailers, travel wholesalers.
- **Tourism workplace policies and procedures** refer to documented instructions about workplace expectations. These may include but are not limited to – customer service delivery, personal presentation, legislation, organisational structure, business objectives.
- **A wide range of tourism contexts** refers to situations that occur in the day-to-day operation of a tourism workplace.

2 This unit standard may be assessed against in a tourism workplace when appropriate situations arise, or in a training environment if simulated workplace conditions are able to be provided that reflect the standards of a tourism workplace.

3 For assessment purposes, one-way verbal communication will involve an individual presenting a relevant tourism workplace topic face-to-face to a group; a group is considered to be more than two people. Two-way verbal communication will involve an individual communicating within a tourism context with at least one other person either face-to-face or over the telephone.
Outcomes and evidence requirements

Outcome 1
Demonstrate verbal communication skills in a wide range of tourism contexts.

Range  one way and two-way verbal communication; evidence is required for three different examples.

Evidence requirements

1.1 Verbal communication is demonstrated in accordance with tourism workplace policies and procedures.
Range verbal communication must include – appropriate language, articulation and voice modulation, voice projection.

1.2 Barriers to communication are identified and overcome by the sender.
Range barriers may include but are not limited to – cultural differences, stereotyping, word choice, tourism industry jargon, technical language, non-verbal communication, voice modulation and articulation, not listening actively, physical, personal, age differences, educational differences, personal issues of the receiver (examples are – indifference, anger, frustration).

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Comments on this unit standard

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