Title	Demonstrate knowledge of tour group leadership skills		
Level	4	Credits	4

Purpose	This unit standard is for people who lead tour groups. People credited with this unit standard are able to describe and evaluate key leadership concepts relevant to tour guiding; and demonstrate interpersonal skills when leading a tour group.
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Classification Tourism > Visitor Services
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### **Guidance Information**

#### 1 Definitions

Feedback is usually observed, or requested in verbal or written form, and typically covers feelings, levels of satisfaction, comfort, strengths and weaknesses, personal performance, or suggested improvements.

Leadership refers to directing a group of people to undertake activities that achieve a goal.

Leadership method refers to the way in which a tour guide manages a group of people. Leadership may contain practices from a variety of leadership styles. 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 must include but are not limited to – customer service delivery, personal presentation, legislation, organisational structure, business objectives.

2 Outcome 2 of this unit standard is to be assessed against tour groups guided by the candidate. Evidence of a minimum of two tour groups is required.

# Outcomes and performance criteria

#### **Outcome 1**

Describe and evaluate key leadership concepts relevant to tour guiding.

#### Performance criteria

1.1 Key skills relevant to the effective leadership of tour groups are described and the importance and appropriateness of each skill for tour group leadership is evaluated.

Range includes but is not limited to – communication, humour storytelling, flexibility, sensitivity, problem solving, organisation.

1.2 Group leadership methods are described and evaluated for different tourism group configurations.

Range group configuration may include but is not limited to – group size,

ethnicity, culture, language, age, situation, environment;

evidence of three different group configurations.

#### Outcome 2

Demonstrate interpersonal skills when leading a tour group.

Range may include but is not limited to – flexibility, empathy, respect, inclusiveness, communication, identification of physical or emotional stress.

#### Performance criteria

- 2.1 The tour guide interacts with visitors in accordance with acceptable visitor expectations in accordance with tourism workplace policies and procedures.
- 2.2 Visitors are assisted with encouragement and emotional support appropriate to the situation and visitor expectations in accordance with tourism workplace policies and procedures.
- 2.3 Visitors are assisted physically as appropriate to the situation and visitor expectations in accordance with tourism workplace policies and procedures.
- 2.4 Feedback from group is responded to in a professional manner and in accordance with tourism workplace policies and procedures.

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## Comments on this unit standard

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