Title	Operate an aircraft belt loader		
Level	3	Credits	3

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: carry out safety checks before operating a belt loader; drive a belt loader safely and dock with aircraft in preparation for loading or unloading; operate a belt loader to load and unload an aircraft; and undock a belt loader from an aircraft, and drive and park it in a designated area

Classification	Aviation > Ramp Operations
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Guidance Information

- All tasks are to be carried out in accordance with enterprise procedures, the enterprise being the organisation carrying out the work. Enterprise procedures referred to in this unit standard are the applicable procedures found in the following: enterprise exposition; manufacturer publications; Government and local body legislation; airworthiness authority requirements.
- 2 Definition

 Designated area is an industry term used for permanent markings painted on the tarmac, which is a safe distance away from a moving or stationary aircraft.
- 3 Belt loader may have an optional extendable loading attachment fitted such as a Power Stow.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Carry out safety checks before operating a belt loader.

Performance criteria

1.1 Visual check for damage to belt loader is undertaken.

Range may include but is not limited to – body work, leaks under vehicle, tyres, lights.

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1.2 Physical safety check is performed.

Range may include but is not limited to – tyre pressure and condition, no

rubbish around vehicle, handbrake on, brake operation, fluid levels, fuel/charge level, steering operation, gear lever operation,

lights, horn, foreign object debris (FOD).

1.3 Any faults and malfunctions to the vehicle are identified and reported.

Outcome 2

Drive a belt loader safely and dock with aircraft in preparation for loading or unloading.

Performance criteria

2.1 Driving controls are identified and used.

Range may include but is not limited to – start controls, release and apply

park brake, lights, indicators.

2.2 Speed limits are adhered to in accordance with airport authority and enterprise

procedures.

Range may include but is not limited to – within 15 metres of an aircraft,

within 15 metres of a fixed object or building, on the airport road

network, general apron area.

2.3 Travel path and procedure for approaching an aircraft is followed.

Range may include but is not limited to – brake test, restricted

manoeuvring area, anti-collision lights, other equipment in area, other personnel in area, approach speed, remained clear of

restricted areas.

2.4 Belt loader is docked to the aircraft in accordance with aircraft type.

Range may include but is not limited to –hold height, belt loader

attachments being used (i.e. Power Stow).

Outcome 3

Operate a belt loader to load and unload an aircraft.

Performance criteria

3.1 Belt loader is prepared for loading and unloading.

Range may include but is not limited to – place chocks, raise and secure

safety barriers, set boom height.

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3.2 Load transfer controls are identified.

Range may include but is not limited to – height controls, forward and

backward, emergency stop.

3.3 Load is safely transferred from the belt loader into the aircraft in accordance

with aircraft type.

Range may include but is not limited to – aircraft settling monitored,

height settings adjusted, load type monitored, no contact with door

surrounds.

3.4 Load is safely transferred from the aircraft onto the belt loader in accordance

with aircraft type.

Range may include but is not limited to – aircraft settling monitored,

height settings adjusted, load type monitored, no contact with door

surrounds.

Outcome 4

Undock a belt loader from an aircraft, and drive and park it in a designated area.

Performance criteria

4.1 Belt loader is prepared for undocking.

4.2 Belt loader is undocked from the aircraft.

Range may include but is not limited to – remove chocks, safety barriers

lowered and secured, equipment fully lowered, ensure area clear

of FOD.

4.3 Travel path and procedure for departing the area is followed.

Range may include but is not limited to – restricted manoeuvring area,

other equipment in area, other personnel in area, driving speed,

guide person, remained clear of restricted areas.

4.4 Belt loader is driven to a designated area, and parked and secured.

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Comments on this unit standard

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