

Title	Screen and search items to enter a sterile area, security area, or security enhanced area		
Level	4	Credits	9

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: prepare for screening and searching of items; screen items prior to entering or present in a sterile area, security area, or security enhanced area; conduct physical search of items; and respond to the detection of prohibited items, LAGs, and dangerous goods.
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Classification	Aviation > Airport Operations
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

1 Definitions

Dangerous goods refers to substances and articles identified as such in ICAO document 9284 - *Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air*.

LAG refers to liquids, aerosols and gels.

Prohibited items include weapons, explosives, and firearms as identified in ICAO Appendix 45.

Sterile area refers to an area where International and/or Domestic passengers and crew subject to screening are prevented from having access to unauthorised articles or contact with unscreened persons; and areas for the separation of arriving passengers and crew from departing passengers and crew during deplaning to prevent arriving, transit, and transfer passengers and crew having contact with any person who has been subject to screening.

- 2 Reference to *enterprise procedures* means that all activities must comply with the requirements contained in the current airport exposition, current airport company manuals and procedures, where applicable, and any relevant legislative and/or regulatory requirements, which may include but are not limited to: Civil Aviation Act 1990, relevant Civil Aviation Rules, Aviation Crimes Act 1972, Aviation Security Services Policies and Procedures, New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF) Policy.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Prepare for screening and searching of items.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Legislative requirements relevant to searching of items at airports are identified and complied with.
- 1.2 Screening equipment is set up and tested in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and enterprise procedures.
- 1.3 Situations requiring a physical search of items to enter a sterile area, security area, or security enhanced area are recognised in accordance with legislation and enterprise procedures.
- 1.4 Consent of the person to conducting a physical search of identified items is implied in accordance with enterprise procedures.
- 1.5 Action is taken in response to persons not consenting in accordance with legislation and enterprise procedures.

Outcome 2

Screen items prior to entering or present in a sterile area, security area, or security enhanced area.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Items are presented appropriately for screening in accordance with legislation and enterprise procedures.

Range items may include but are not limited to – bags, cabin baggage, checked baggage, hold baggage, packages, personal effects, work equipment, tools of trade, display or promotional items, vehicles, machinery.

- 2.2 Screening equipment is used to identify prohibited items and LAG products in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and enterprise procedures.

Range may include but is not limited to – X-ray screening, interpreting X-ray images.

- 2.3 Screening documentation is completed in accordance with enterprise procedures.

Outcome 3

Conduct physical search of items.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Physical searches are carried out in accordance with legislation and enterprise procedures.

- 3.2 Physical searches are conducted at the designated searching point and, where possible, with the person present in accordance with enterprise procedures.
- 3.3 Components of the item are visually identified in accordance with enterprise procedures.
- 3.4 Suspected prohibited items and LAG products are detected if present in accordance with enterprise procedures.
- 3.5 Occupational health and safety procedures are followed during physical searches of items in accordance with enterprise procedures.
- 3.6 Customer service principles and standards are applied throughout the screening process in accordance with enterprise procedures.
- 3.7 People who do not consent to the search of the required item are managed in accordance with enterprise procedures.

Outcome 4

Respond to the detection of prohibited items, LAGs, and dangerous goods.

Performance criteria

- 4.1 Procedures are followed in response to the detection of suspected prohibited items, LAG products, and dangerous goods in accordance with enterprise procedures.
- 4.2 Prohibited items are handled in accordance with legislative requirements and enterprise procedures.
- 4.3 LAG products are handled in accordance with legislative requirements and enterprise procedures.
- 4.4 Dangerous goods are handled in accordance with legislative requirements and enterprise procedures.

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