

Despatch explosive substances and/or articles

Overview

This standard covers the competences you need to despatch explosive substances and/or articles in accordance with approved procedures and practices.

You will be required to demonstrate that you can confirm the consignment details by checking against documentation, making sure that you are clear about your own responsibilities in accordance with approved procedures.

This activity is likely to be undertaken by someone whose work role involves Weapons, Ordnance, Munitions or Explosives work activities. This includes those working as storage operators and transport supervisors.

Performance criteria

- You must be able to:*
- P1 work safely at all times, complying with health and safety, environmental and other relevant regulations, legislation and guidelines
 - P2 confirm the serviceability of the loading equipment
 - P3 report faulty equipment to the right person
 - P4 make sure that the vehicles are in the right place, and are properly prepared for loading
 - P5 confirm the consignment details by checking against documentation
 - P6 report any defects or shortfalls in the consignment
 - P7 make sure that you are clear about your own responsibilities
 - P8 ensure appropriate segregation in accordance with organizational procedures
 - P9 distribute the load evenly, securely and in accordance with the loading plan
 - P10 complete the necessary documentation correctly

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Knowledge and understanding

- You need to know and understand:*
- K1 the health, safety and environmental and other statutory legislation, regulations and safe working practices and procedures governing explosives and their implications for your area of work
 - K2 the relevance of personal protective equipment (PPE)
 - K3 the nature, characteristics, risks and hazards of the explosive substance and/or article
 - K4 the actions to be taken in response to an unplanned event
 - K5 methods of loading and when to use each method
 - K6 the handling equipment you need, and where to find it
 - K7 how to recognize faulty equipment
 - K8 to whom to report faulty equipment
 - K9 the importance of vehicle preparation prior to loading
 - K10 load planning techniques and preparation
 - K11 the documentation requirements
 - K12 your role and responsibilities and those of others with whom you work

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Scope/range

1. Consignments: single; multiple

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