Modification history

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with SFI Seafood Industry Training Package Version 1.0.

SFICPL412	Operate in remote areas
Application	This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to operate safely in remote places and isolated areas. The unit applies to individuals who work as fisheries compliance officers in remote areas where regular operational support is not readily available. In this role they develop operational plans specific for remote areas controls, use communication equipment and navigational aids, carry out monitoring, take and store evidence and restrain arrested suspects as necessary. All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, according to state/territory health and safety, biosecurity and environmental regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace. Licences will be required to operate a vehicle or vessel. Regulatory requirements apply to this unit. Users are required to check with the relevant jurisdiction for current requirements.
Prerequisite Unit	Nil
Unit Sector	Compliance (CPL)

Elements	Performance Criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	*Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.*
1. Prepare for remote area operations	1.1 Develop and convey operational plans to colleagues and base station 1.2 Select and test communication equipment for effective operation in the remote area 1.3 Ensure familiarity with current radio protocols for standard and emergency situations 1.4 Assess risks associated with the operation and journey and plan risk minimisation strategies and contingency actions 1.5 Obtain, check and store equipment and supplies identified in risk management strategies and contingency plans for efficiency and safety 1.6 Document travel plans after selecting the most appropriate route to destination, method and schedule of travel 1.7 Ensure all preparations for remote area operations comply with jurisdictional policies and procedures
2. Travel in remote areas	2.1 Use navigational aids appropriate for the remote area and type of travel to ensure destinations and direction of travel are as planned 2.2 Use communication equipment according to communication protocols 2.3 Travel according to approved travel plan and risk minimisation strategies 2.4 Respond to emergency situations according to contingency plans

Elements	Performance Criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	*Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.*
3. Operate in remote areas	3.1 Undertake operations ensuring the safety of colleagues, self and equipment 3.2 Undertake monitoring activities with caution and due regard for safety of all personnel and equipment 3.3 Take witness statements and details according to jurisdictional policies and procedures 3.4 Restrain arrested suspects according to jurisdictional policies and procedures 3.5 Store evidence in a manner that will ensure its safety and preservation 3.6 Ensure intelligence gathering is routinely carried out and reports written up and presented
4. Finalise details of remote area operation	4.1 Check equipment for serviceability and return to storage post operation 4.2 Make reports on operation and any problems encountered

Foundation Skills

This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria.

Skill	Description
Numeracy	• Make measurements and calculations for navigation and communication in remote areas
Reading	• Interpret instructions, topographical and navigational data
Writing	• Prepare monitoring operation plans and reports • Record witness statements
Interact with others	• Collaborate with other colleagues and team in conducting remote operations • Adapt personal communication style to show respect for the values, beliefs and cultural expectations of others and to resolve and de-escalate conflicts
Get the work done	• Devise and implement solutions for problems and contingency situations, adapting past experiences to solve unfamiliar problems • Manage risks around the safety and security of personnel and equipment

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
SFICPL412 Operate in remote areas	SFICOMP412A Operate in remote areas	Updated to meet Standards for Training Packages	Equivalent unit

Links	Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: https://vetnet.education.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=e31d8c6b-1608-4d77-9f71-9ee749456273

TITLE	Assessment requirements for SFICPL412 Operate in remote areas

Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all the elements and performance criteria of this unit. There must be evidence that the individual has travelled and operated in remote areas on at least one occasion including:

- planning for travel and operations in remote areas
- documenting travel plans
- communicating with colleagues and base station
- operating communication equipment and navigational aids
- making risk assessments and planning risk management strategies
- responding appropriately to contingencies
- travelling safely according to travel plan
- undertaking operation and compliance monitoring activities
- maintaining the safety of self, others, equipment
- maintaining the security of evidence
- taking witness statements
- reporting on intelligence and operation outcomes
- checking functionality of equipment before operation and storage.

Knowledge Evidence

An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:

- equipment and supplies necessary for safe travel and operation in remote areas
- jurisdictional policies and procedures for safe travel and operation in remote areas and exercising compliance powers
- risks associated with remote area travel and operations and strategies for minimising those risks
- emergency response procedures used for remote areas
- procedures for taking statements and evidence gathering.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
    - skills must be demonstrated in a fisheries compliance monitoring setting in a remote area or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
    - equipment, including communication and navigational aids, required for remote travel and operation
    - vehicles and vessels, as required, for remote travel
- specifications:
    - access to jurisdictional policies and procedures relating to safe travel and operation in remote areas and exercising compliance powers
    - operational plans
- relationships:
    - interactions with suspects and witnesses.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

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