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## Overview

This standard covers the competences you need to carry out pre-disposal tasks for explosive substances and/or articles in accordance with approved procedures and practices.

You will be required to demonstrate that you can confirm the availability and suitability of the equipment, consumables and services needed to complete the task ensuring that any necessary tests of the equipment have been carried out correctly in accordance with approved procedures and practices.

This activity is likely to be undertaken by someone whose work role involves Weapons, Ordnance, Munitions or Explosives work activities. This includes people working as disposal managers and supervisors.

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## 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 allocate responsibilities appropriately
  - P3 confirm the availability and suitability of the equipment, consumables and services needed to complete the task
  - P4 ensure that any necessary tests of the equipment have been carried out correctly
  - P5 check that the work environment is suitable for the disposal task
  - P6 ensure that any necessary logistic arrangements are in place, in accordance with your organization's procedures and the disposal plan
  - P7 confirm the fitness for purpose of the disposal plan, and make any necessary amendments in the light of changes required, within your level of authority
  - P8 obtain approval or authorization for any necessary changes to the plan beyond your level of authority

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## Knowledge and understanding

*You need to know and understand:*

- K1 the health, safety and environmental and other statutory legislation, regulations, 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, hazards and risks of the explosive substances and/or articles
- K4 the actions to be taken in response to an unplanned event
- K5 the disposal objectives
- K6 the disposal plan and its limitations
- K7 the date, time and location of the disposal
- K8 the way in which the disposal plan may need to be changed and the process for doing so
- K9 the competences of team members
- K10 the equipment, consumables and services needed to complete the task
- K11 your level of authority

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**Scope/range**

1. Resources: people; equipment; consumables; services
2. Disposal plan: where no changes are needed; where significant changes are needed (where referral to management is needed); where minor changes are needed (where changes may be made within the agreed level of authority).

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