

## Conduct safety checks on explosives facilities

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### Overview

This standard covers the competences you need to conduct safety checks on explosives facilities in accordance with approved procedures and practices.

You will be required to demonstrate that you can recommend or take appropriate remedial action in the event of failures within the limits of your authority, ensuring that all recommended actions have been carried out 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 people working as maintenance and disposal managers and maintenance, storage and disposal 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 and guidelines
  - P2 ensure that you are working to the correct explosives facilities maintenance and inspection plans
  - P3 communicate the requirements of the plan and tasks to those concerned
  - P4 confirm that the appropriate tools and equipment needed to carry out the checks are available and use them correctly
  - P5 implement the requirements of the explosives facilities maintenance and inspection plan correctly
  - P6 recommend or take appropriate remedial action in the event of failures within the limits of your authority
  - P7 ensure that all recommended actions have been carried out
  - P8 draft clear, concise inspection reports in the appropriate format

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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 substance and/or article
- K4 the actions to be taken in response to an unplanned event
- K5 your organization's explosives safety management system
- K6 the safety features and requirements of the facility
- K7 the requirements of the explosives facilities maintenance and inspection plan
- K8 who might be affected by the tests being carried out
- K9 your level of authority and competence
- K10 reporting lines and procedures

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**Scope/range**

1. Inspection and maintenance: scheduled; unscheduled

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