DEMONSTRATE ENVIRONMENTAL LITERACY

UNIT CODE: ENG/OS/CE/BC/5/6

UNIT DESCRIPTION

This unit specifies the competencies required to follow procedures for environmental hazard control, follow procedures for environmental pollution control, comply with workplace sustainable resource use, evaluate current practices in relation to resource usage, develop and adhere to environmental protection principles/strategies/guidelines, analyse resource use, develop resource conservation plans and implement selected plans.

ELEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

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These describe the key	These are assessable statements which specify the
outcomes which make up	required level of performance for each of the elements.
workplace function.	Bold and italicized terms are elaborated in the Range
1. Control environmental	1.1 <i>Storage methods</i> for environmentally hazardous
hazard.	materials are strictly followed according to
	environmental regulations and OSHS.
	1.2 <i>Disposal methods</i> of hazardous wastes are followed
	at all times according to environmental regulations
	and OSHS.
	1.3 PPE is used according to OSHS.
2. Control environmental	2.1 Environmental pollution <i>control measures</i> are
Pollution control.	compiled following standard protocol.
	2.2 Procedures for solid waste management are observed
	according Environmental Management and
	Coordination Act 1999.
	2.3 Methods for minimizing <i>noise pollution</i> complied
	following environmental regulations.
3. Demonstrate sustainable	3.1 Methods for minimizing wastage are complied with.
resource use.	3.2 Waste management procedures are employed
	following principles of 3Rs (Reduce, Reuse, and
	Recycle).
	3.3 Methods for economizing or reducing resource
	consumption are practiced.
4. Evaluate current practices	4.1 Information on resource efficiency systems and
in relation to resource	procedures are collected and provided to the work
usage.	group where appropriate.
	4.2 Current resource usage is measured and recorded by
	members of the work group.
	4.3 Current purchasing strategies are analyzed and

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	recorded according to industry procedures.
	4.4 Current work processes to access information and
	data is analyzed following enterprise protocol.
5. Identify Environmental	5.1 Environmental legislations/conventions and local
legislations/conventions for	ordinances are identified according to the different
environmental concerns.	environmental aspects/impact
	5.2 Industrial standard/environmental practices are
	described according to the different environmental
	concerns
6. Implement specific	6.1 Programs/Activities are identified according to
environmental programs.	organizations policies and guidelines.
	6.2 Individual roles/responsibilities are determined and
	performed based on the activities identified.
	6.3 Problems/constraints encountered are resolved in
	accordance with organizations' policies and
	guidelines
	6.4 Stakeholders are consulted based on company
	guidelines
7. Monitor activities on	7.1 Activities are periodically monitored and Evaluated
Environmental	according to the objectives of the environmental
protection/Programs.	program.
	7.2 Feedback from stakeholders are gathered and
	considered in Proposing enhancements to the
	program based on consultations.
	7.3 Data gathered are analyzed based on Evaluation
	requirements.
	7.4 Recommendations are submitted based on the
	findings
	7.5 Management support systems are set/established to
	sustain and enhance the program.
	7.6 Environmental incidents are monitored and reported
	to Concerned/proper authorities.
8. Analyze resource use.	8.1 All resource consuming processes are Identified
8. Analyze resource use.	8.2 Quantity and nature of Resource consumed is
	determined
	8.3 Resource flow is analysed through different parts of
	the process.
	8.4 Waste is classified for possible source of resources.
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9. Develop resource	9.1. Efficiency of use/conversion of resources is
Conservation plans.	determined following industry protocol.
	9.2. Causes of low efficiency of use of resources are
	Determined based on industry protocol.
	9.3. Plans for increasing the efficiency of resource use
	are developed based on findings.

RANGE

This section provides work environments and conditions to which the performance criteria apply. It allows for different work environments and situations that will affect performance.

Variable	Range
PPE May include but are	1.1 Mask.
not limited to:	1.2 Gloves.
	1.3 Goggles.
	1.4 Safety hat.
	1.5 Overall.
	1.6 Hearing protector.
2. Environmental pollution	2.1 Methods for minimizing or stopping spread and
Control measures include	ingestion of airborne particles.
but are not limited to:	2.2 Methods for minimizing or stopping spread and
	ingestion of gases and fumes.
	2.4 Methods for minimizing or stopping spread and
	ingestion of liquid wastes.
3. Wastes include but are not	3.1 Unnecessary waste.
limited to:	3.2 Necessary waste.
4. Waste management	4.1 Sorting.
Procedures include but are	4.2 Storing of items.
not limited to:	4.2 Recycling of items.
	4.3 Disposal of items.
5. Resources may include but	5.1 Electric.
are not limited to:	5.2 Water.
	5.3 Fuel.
	5.4 Telecommunications.
	5.5 Supplies.
	5.6 Materials.

Variable	Range
6. Workplace environmental	6.1 Biological hazards.
hazards may include but are	6.2 Chemical and dust hazards.
not limited to:	6.3 Physical hazards.
7. Organizational systems	7.1 Supply chain, procurement and purchasing.
and procedures include but	7.2 Quality assurance.
are not limited to:	7.3 Making recommendations and seeking approvals.
8. Legislations/Conventions	8.1 EMCA 1999.
include but are not limited	8.2 Montreal Protocol.
to:	8.3 Kyoto Protocol.
9. Environmental	9.1 Air pollution.
aspects/impacts include but	9.2 Water pollution.
are not limited to:	9.3 Noise pollution.
	9.4 Solid waste.
	9.5 Flood control.
	9.6 Deforestation/Denudation.
	9.7 Radiation/Nuclear /Radio Frequency/ Microwaves.
	9.8 Situation.
	9.9 Soil erosion (e.g. Quarrying, Mining, etc.).
	9.10 Coral reef/marine life protection.
10. Industrial standards /	10.1 ISO standards.
Environmental practices	10.2 Company environmental management systems
include but are not limited	(EMS)
to:	
11. Periodic include but are not	11.1 Hourly.
limited to:	11.2 Daily
	11.3 Weekly
	11.4 Monthly
	11.5 Quarterly
	11.6 Yearly
12. Programs/Activities may	12.1 Waste disposal (on-site and off-site).
include but are not limited	12.2 Repair and maintenance of equipment.
to:	12.3 Treatment and disposal operations.
	12.4 Clean-up activities.
	12.5 Laboratory and analytical test.
	12.6 Monitoring and evaluation.
	12.7 Environmental advocacy programs.

EVIDENCE GUIDE

This provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the performance criteria, required skills and knowledge and range.

1.Critical aspects	Assessment requires evidence that the learner:
of competency	1.1 Controlled environmental hazard.
	1.2 Controlled environmental pollution.
	1.3 Demonstrated sustainable resource use.
	1.4 Evaluated current practices in relation to resource
	usage.
	1.5 Demonstrated knowledge of environmental
	legislations and local ordinances according to the
	different environmental issues /concerns.
	1.6 Described industrial standard environmental
	practices according to the different environmental
	issues/concerns.
	1.7 Resolved problems/ constraints encountered based
	on management standard procedures.
	1.8 Implemented and monitored environmental
	practices on a periodic basis as per company
	guidelines.
	1.9 Recommended solutions for the improvement of
	the program
	1.10 Monitored and reported to proper authorities any
	environmental incidents.
2. Resource	The following resources should be provided:
Implications.	2.1 Workplace with storage facilities
	2.2 Tools, materials and equipment relevant to the
	tasks (e.g. Cleaning tools, cleaning materials, trash
	bags)
	2.3 PPE, manuals and references
	2.4 Legislation, policies, procedures, protocols and
	local ordinances relating to environmental
	protection
	2.5 Case studies/scenarios relating to environmental
	Protection
3 Methods of Assessment.	Competency in this unit may be assessed through:
	3.1 Demonstration.
	3.2 Oral questioning.
	3.3 Written examination.
	3.4 Interview/Third Party Reports.
	3.5 Portfolio (citations/awards from GOs and NGOs,
	certificate of training – local and
	abroad).

		3.6 Simulations and role-play.
4	Context of Assessment	Competency may be assessed on the job, off the job or
		a combination of these. Off the job assessment
		must be undertaken in a closely simulated
		workplace environment.
5	Guidance information for	Holistic assessment with other units relevant to the
	assessment	industry sector, workplace and job role is
		recommended.

REQUIRED SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

This section describes the skills and knowledge required for this unit of competency.

Required Skills

The individual needs to demonstrate the following skills:

- Following storage methods of environmentally hazardous materials.
- Following disposal methods of hazardous wastes.
- Using PPE.
- Practicing OSHS.
- Complying environmental pollution control.
- Observing solid waste management.
- Complying methods of minimizing noise Pollution.
- Complying methods of minimizing wastage.
- Employing waste management procedures.
- Economizing resource consumption.
- Listing of resources used.
- Measuring current usage of resources.
- Identifying and reporting workplace environmental hazards.
- Conveying all environmental issues.
- Following environmental regulations.
- Identifying environmental regulations.
- Assessing procedures for assessing compliance.
- Collecting information on environmental and resource efficiency systems and procedures, and providing information to the work group.
- Measuring and recording current resource usage.
- Analysing and recording current purchasing strategies.
- Analysing current work processes to access information and data and assisting identifying areas for improvement.
- Analysing resource flow.
- Determining efficiency of use/conversion of resources.
- Determining causes of low efficiency of use.
- Developing plans for increasing the efficiency of resource use.

- Checking resource use plans.
- Complying with regulations/licensing requirements.
- Determining benefit/cost of plans.
- Ranking proposals based on benefit/cost compared to limited resources.
- Checking proposals meet regulatory requirements.
- Monitoring implementation.
- Making adjustments to plan and implementation.
- Checking new resource usage.

Required Knowledge

The individual needs to demonstrate knowledge of:

- Storage methods of environmentally hazardous materials.
- Disposal methods of hazardous wastes.
- Usage of PPE Environmental regulations.
- OSHS.
- Types of pollution.
- Environmental pollution control measures.
- Different solid wastes
- Solid waste management.
- Different noise pollution.
- Methods of minimizing noise pollution.
- Methods of minimizing wastage.
- Waste management procedures.
- Economizing of resource consumption.
- Principle of 3Rs.
- Types of resources.
- Techniques in measuring current usage of resources.
- Calculating current usage of resources.
- Types of workplace environmental hazards.
- Environmental regulations.
- Environmental regulations applying to the enterprise.
- Procedures for assessing compliance with environmental regulations.
- Collection of information on environmental and resource efficiency systems and procedures.
- Measurement and recording of current resource usage
- Analysis and recording of current purchasing strategies.
- Analysis current work processes to access information and data Analysis of data and information.
- Identification of areas for improvement.
- Resource consuming processes.
- Determination of quantity and nature of resource consumed
- Analysis of resource flow of different parts of the resource flow process.

- Use/conversion of resources.
- Causes of low efficiency of use.
- Increasing the efficiency of resource use.
- Inspection of resource use plans
- Regulations/licensing requirements
- Determine benefit/cost for alternative resource sources.
- Benefit/costs for different alternatives.
- Components of proposals
- Criteria on ranking proposals.
- Regulatory requirements.
- Proposals for improving resource efficiency.
- Implementation of resource efficiency plans.
- Procedures in monitor implementation.
- Adjustments of implementation plan.
- Inspection of new resource usage.

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