NUMERACY SKILLS

UNIT CODE: SW/CU/CP/BC/02/6/A

Relationship to Occupational Standards

This unit addresses the Unit of Competency: Demonstrate Numeracy Skills.

Duration of Unit: 60 hours

Unit Description

This unit describes the competencies required to demonstrate numeracy skills. It involves applying a wide range of mathematical calculations for work; applying ratios, rates and proportions to solve problems; estimating, measuring and calculating measurement for work; using detailed maps to plan travel routes for work; using geometry to draw and construct 2D and 3D shapes for work; collecting, organizing and interpreting statistical data; using routine formula and algebraic expressions for work and using common functions of a scientific calculator.

Summary of Learning Outcomes

- 1. Apply a wide range of mathematical calculations for work
- 2. Apply ratios, rates and proportions to solve problems
- 3. Estimate, measure and calculate measurement for work
- 4. Use detailed maps to plan travel routes for work
- 5. Use geometry to draw and construct 2D and 3D shapes for work
- 6. Collect, organize and interpret statistical data
- 7. Use routine formula and algebraic expressions for work
- 8. Use common functions of a scientific calculator

Learning Outcome	Content	Methods of Assessment
 Apply a wide range of mathematical calculations for work 	 Fundamentals of mathematics Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of positive and negative numbers Algebraic expressions 	 Written tests Assignments Supervised exercises

Learning Outcomes, Content and Methods of Assessment

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	manipulation	
	•Forms of fractions, decimals and	
	percentages	
	•Expression of numbers as powers	
	and roots	
2. Apply ratios, rates and proportions to solve problems	 Rates, ratios and proportions Meaning Conversions into percentages Direct and inverse proportions 	 Written tests Assignments Supervised exercises
	 determination Performing calculations Construction of graphs, charts and tables Recording of information 	
3. Estimate, measure and calculate measurement for work	 Units of measurements and their symbols Identification and selection of measuring equipment Conversion of units of measurement Perimeters of regular figures Areas of regular figures Volumes of regular figures Carrying out measurements Recording of information 	 Assignments Supervised exercises Written tests
4. Use detailed maps to plan travel routes for work	 Identification of features in routine maps and plans Symbols and keys used in routine maps and plans Identification and interpretation of orientation of map to North Demonstrate understanding of direction and location Apply simple scale to estimate length of objects, or distance 	WrittenPractical test

	to location or object	
	• Give and receive directions	
	using both formal and	
	informal language	
	Planning of routes	
	Calculation of distance, speed	
	and time	
5. Use geometry to	• Identify two dimensional	
draw and	shapes and routine three	
construct 2D	dimensional shapes in	
and 3D shapes	everyday objects and in	
for work	different orientations	
	• Explain the use and	
	application of shapes	
	• Use formal and informal	
	mathematical language and	
	symbols to describe and	
	compare the features of two	
	dimensional shapes and	
	routine three dimensional	
	shapes	
	Identify common angles	
	• Estimate common angles in	
	everyday objects	
	• Evaluation of unknown angles	
	• Use formal and informal	
	mathematical language to	
	describe and compare	
	common angles	
	• Symmetry and similarity	
	Use common geometric	
	instruments to draw two	
	dimensional shapes	
	• Construct routine three	
	dimensional objects from	
	given nets	
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6.	Collect,	•	Classification of data	•	Assignments
0.	organize and		Grouped data		Supervised
	interpret		Ungrouped data		exercises
	statistical data		Data collection	•	Written tests
			Observation		vinten tests
			Recording		
		•	Distinguishing between sampling		
		•	and census		
		•	Importance of sampling		
		•	Errors in sampling		
		•	Types of sampling and their		
			limitations e.g.		
			Stratified random		
			Cluster		
			Judgmental		
			Tabulation of data		
		•	Class intervals		
			Class boundaries		
			Frequency tablesCumulative frequency		
			Diagrammatic and graphical		
		•	presentation of data e.g.		
			Histograms		
			Frequency polygons		
			Bar charts		
			Dar chartsPie charts		
			Cumulative frequency		
			curves		
			Interpretation of data		
7.	Use routine	•	Solving linear equations	•	Assignments
	formula and	•	Linear graphs	•	Supervised
	algebraic		Plotting		exercises
	expressions for		 Interpretation 	•	Written tests
	work	•	Applications of linear graphs		
		•	Curves of first and second		
			degree		
			Plotting		
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	• Interpretation	
8. Use common functions of a scientific calculator	• Identify and use keys for common functions on a calculator	WrittenPractical test
	 Calculate using whole numbers, money and routine decimals and percentages Calculate with routine fractions and percentages 	
	 Apply order of operations to solve multi-step calculations Interpret display and record result 	

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Suggested Methods of Instruction

- Group discussions
- Demonstration by trainer •
- Practical work by trainee
- Exercises

Recommended Resources

- Calculators
- Rulers, pencils, erasers
- Charts with presentations of data
- Graph books
- Dice