

PUA: Public Safety
TRAINING PACKAGE
Version 6.0
WA NOMINAL HOURS GUIDE

Introduction

This Guide has been generated to enable the stakeholders in this Industry in Western Australia to participate in the managed implementation of the National PUA Public Safety Training Package.

This Guide is designed to aid Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) to convert from existing Training Package qualifications to new Training Package qualifications within the scope of their training delivery.

The Guide should be read in conjunction with the endorsed components of the Training Package.

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Transition Arrangements

Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) are required to deliver Training Package qualifications in accordance with the Standards for RTOs. For further information visit the Training Accreditation Council website www.tac.wa.gov.au.

Nominal Hours

Nominal hours are the hours of training notionally required to achieve the outcomes of units of competency.

Nominal hours are identified for nationally endorsed qualifications. Nominal hours may vary for a qualification depending on the selection of units of competency.

In Western Australia, nominal hours are used as a mechanism for funding allocation.

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Qualifications and Nominal Hours

The following table provides a summary of the qualifications and nominal hours in the training package.

National Code	National Title	Nominal Hours
PUA20119	Certificate II in Public Safety (Aquatic Rescue)	175
PUA20219	Certificate II in Public Safety (SES)	225
PUA20622	Certificate II in Public Safety (Firefighting and Emergency Operations)	312
PUA20719	Certificate II in Public Safety (Firefighting Operations)	390
PUA30322	Certificate III in Public Safety (Aquatic Search and Rescue)	285
PUA30420	Certificate III in Public Safety (SES Rescue)	275
PUA30519	Certificate III in Public Safety (SES Operations)	325
PUA30622	Certificate III in Public Safety (Firefighting and Emergency Operations)	413
PUA30719	Certificate III in Public Safety (Firefighting Operations)	580
PUA30822	Certificate III in Public Safety (Emergency Communications Centre Operations)	270
PUA30922	Certificate III in Public Safety (Biosecurity Emergency Response Operations)	324
PUA31422	Certificate III in Public Safety (Community Safety)	330
PUA40119	Certificate IV in Public Safety (Emergency Communications Centre Operations)	405
PUA40219	Certificate IV in Public Safety (SES Leadership)	390
PUA40319	Certificate IV in Public Safety (Firefighting Supervision)	410
PUA40422	Certificate IV in Public Safety (Biosecurity Emergency Response Leadership)	435
PUA41019	Certificate IV in Public Safety (Leadership)	395
PUA41120	Certificate IV in Public Safety (Community Safety)	480
PUA42619	Certificate IV in Public Safety (Aquatic Search and Rescue Management)	370
PUA50120	Diploma of Public Safety (Emergency Management)	420
PUA50419	Diploma of Public Safety (SES Operations Management)	410
PUA50519	Diploma of Public Safety (Firefighting Management)	725
PUA50622	Diploma of Public Safety (Biosecurity Emergency Response Management)	620

PUA50722	Diploma of Public Safety (Recovery Management)	465
PUA50919	Diploma of Public Safety (Search and Rescue - Coordination)	425
PUA51019	Diploma of Public Safety (Community Safety)	690
PUA60120	Advanced Diploma of Public Safety (Emergency Management)	700
PUA60219	Advanced Diploma of Public Safety (Search and Rescue Management)	552
PUA60519	Advanced Diploma of Public Safety (Firefighting Management)	610
PUA60719	Advanced Diploma of Public Safety (Community Safety)	640
PUA60922	Advanced Diploma of Public Safety (Fire Investigation)	505
PUA80119	Graduate Diploma of Crisis Leadership	1445

Skill Sets and Nominal Hours

The following table provides a summary of the skill sets and nominal hours in the training package.

National Code	National Title	Nominal Hours
PUASS00052	Air Search Observer	40
PUASS00053	Alpine Search and Survival Operations	183
PUASS00054	Basic Rescue	118
PUASS00055	Basic Tree Operations	85
PUASS00056	Beach Operations Management	85
PUASS00057	Beach Safety and Risk Management	75
PUASS00058	Beach Team Management	120
PUASS00059	Biosecurity Field Surveillance	140
PUASS00060	Biosecurity Infected Premises Operations	74
PUASS00061	Biosecurity Infected Premises Supervisor	200
PUASS00063	Biosecurity Emergency Responder	140
PUASS00064	Biosecurity Emergency Response Leader	190
PUASS00065	Biosecurity Emergency Response Manager	250
PUASS00066	Community Engagement	70
PUASS00067	Complex Prescribed Burn Officer	355
PUASS00068	Complex Prescribed Burn Planner	245
PUASS00069	Flood Response Operations	52
PUASS00070	Floodboat Response Operations	115
PUASS00071	Incident Response Crew/Team Leader	60
PUASS00072	Land Search Team	85
PUASS00073	Local Prescribed Burn Assistant	115
PUASS00074	Local Prescribed Burn Planner	170
PUASS00075	Local Prescribed Burn Supervisor	140

PUASS00076	Oil Spill Responder	80
PUASS00077	Oil Spill Response Team Leader	80
PUASS00078	Operational Leadership	145
PUASS00079	Operations Centre	170
PUASS00080	Prescribed Burn Crew Leader	190
PUASS00081	Prescribed Burn Crew Member	135
PUASS00082	Prescribed Burn Sector Commander	250
PUASS00083	Road Accident Rescue	109
PUASS00084	SES First aid and safety	43
PUASS00085	SES Induction	115
PUASS00086	Simple Prescribed Burn Officer	215
PUASS00087	Simple Prescribed Burn Planner	190
PUASS00088	Storm and Water Damage Response	85
PUASS00089	Storm and Water Damage Response at Height	120
PUASS00090	Structural Collapse	163
PUASS00092	Vertical Rescue	103
PUASS00093	Biosecurity Response Public Information Management	95
PUASS00094	Tree Operations	80
PUASS00095	Participate in a recovery team	125
PUASS00096	Coordinate Functional Recovery Group	105
PUASS00097	Lead a Recovery Team	260
PUASS00098	Manage a Recovery Centre	35
PUASS00099	Manage Recovery - Community Involvement	130
PUASS00100	Manage Recovery - Complex Incident Planning	140
PUASS00101	Manage Recovery - Data Management	145
PUASS00102	Manage Recovery - Finance	205
PUASS00103	Manage Recovery - Logistics	140

PUASS00104	Manage Recovery - Public Information	135
PUASS00105	Conduct Recovery Liaison	15
PUASS00106	Provide Community Liaison	70
PUASS00107	Advanced Emergency Care	34
PUASS00108	Firefighting Appliance Pump Technician Skill Set	85

Units of Competency and Nominal Hours

The following table provides a summary of the units of competency and nominal hours in the training package.

National Code	National Title	Nominal Hours
PUAAMS001	Work in an aviation environment	20
PUAAMS002	Search as a member of an air search team	20
PUAAMS003	Conduct stores dropping operations	20
PUAAMS006	Coordinate search and rescue resources	60
PUAAMS007	Coordinate search and rescue operations	70
PUAAMS008	Manage search and rescue operations	90
PUABIO001	Conduct planning in a biosecurity emergency response	45
PUACOM001	Communicate in the workplace	30
PUACOM002	Provide services to clients	15
PUACOM003	Manage information	20
PUACOM004	Manage organisational communication strategies	25
PUACOM005	Foster a positive organisational image in the community	30
PUACOM006	Plan and conduct a public awareness program	20
PUACOM007	Liaise with other organisations	20
PUACOM008	Develop and organise public safety awareness programs	40
PUACOM010	Promote the organisation's mission and services	15
PUACOM011	Develop community awareness networks	30
PUACOM012	Liaise with media at a local level	20
PUACOM013	Administer a local public safety group	30
PUACOM014	Contribute to community safety	20
PUACOM015	Conduct community safety activities	20
PUACOM016	Manage media requirements at major incident	45
PUAECL001	Evaluate societal threats, uncertainty and surprise	325

PUAECL002	Lead and manage programs that develop resilience	160
PUAECL003	Deliver value in crisis	160
PUAECL004	Lead in a crisis	160
PUAECL005	Support communities for crisis	160
PUAECL006	Recognise personal effectiveness in a crisis	160
PUAECL007	Define crisis context	160
PUAECO001	Operate telephony systems	10
PUAECO002	Process emergency incident calls and enquiries	30
PUAECO003	Operate and control radio networks	10
PUAECO004	Operate computer aided dispatch system	40
PUAECO005	Dispatch resources from within an emergency communications centre	20
PUAECO006	Read and interpret maps	10
PUAECO007	Respond to and maintain monitored automatic notification system	10
PUAECO008	Receive and action notification of uncontrolled hazardous materials situations	10
PUAECO009	Coordinate emergency communications centre operations	30
PUAECO010	Maintain standards of emergency service delivery	40
PUAECO011	Support logistics in the field	8
PUAEME006	Administer oxygen in an emergency	20
PUAEME007	Provide emergency care for suspected spinal injury	8
PUAEME008	Provide pain management	6
PUAEMR001	Establish context for emergency risk assessment	50
PUAEMR002	Assess emergency risk	50
PUAEMR003	Develop treatment options for emergency risk	50
PUAEMR004	Manage risk treatment implementation	50
PUAEMR005	Treat operational risk	25
PUAEMR006	Assess operational risk	25
PUAEMR007	Develop emergency management plans	50

PUAEMR009	Facilitate emergency risk assessment	80
PUAEMR010	Plan and implement a treatment measure	50
PUAEMR014	Deliver recovery services	25
PUAEMR019	Contribute to an emergency management process	45
PUAEMR020	Coordinate emergency planning	45
PUAEMR032	Design emergency management exercises	35
PUAEMR033	Determine treatment options	45
PUAEMR034	Establish and manage a recovery centre	35
PUAEMR035	Facilitate community involvement in recovery	30
PUAEMR036	Manage and evaluate emergency management exercises	35
PUAEMR037	Manage recovery functions and services	35
PUAEMR038	Work within an emergency management context	35
PUAEQU001	Prepare, maintain and test response equipment	20
PUAEQU002	Conduct maintenance and repair of firefighting pumps	35
PUAFER001	Identify, prevent and report potential facility emergency situations	5
PUAFER002	Ensure facility emergency prevention procedures, systems and processes are implemented	15
PUAFER003	Manage and monitor facility emergency procedures, equipment and other resources	30
PUAFER004	Respond to facility emergencies	5
PUAFER005	Operate as part of an emergency control organisation	10
PUAFER006	Lead an emergency control organisation	20
PUAFER007	Manage an emergency control organisation	15
PUAFER008	Confine small emergencies in a facility	15
PUAFER009	Participate as a member of a facility emergency response team	35
PUAFER010	Lead a facility emergency response team	70
PUAFER011	Manage facility emergency response teams	30
PUAFIR001	Coordinate state aerial operations	35
PUAFIR002	Manage aviation resources for an incident	35

PUAFIR003	Manage aviation support operations at air base	35
PUAFIR004	Manage complex aerial operations for an incident	35
PUAFIR005	Observe fire from an aircraft	35
PUAFIR006	Observe non-fire incident from an aircraft	25
PUAFIR007	Operate aerial drip torch	35
PUAFIR008	Operate aerial ignition equipment in an aircraft	40
PUAFIR009	Operate airborne intelligence system	16
PUAFIR010	Operate small equipment to prepare and load product into aircraft	8
PUAFIR011	Operate state air desk	20
PUAFIR012	Supervise aerial firefighting operations	35
PUAFIR013	Supervise incendiary operations during aerial ignition	35
PUAFIR014	Supervise preparation and loading of product into aircraft	20
PUAFIR015	Undertake helicopter winch operations	30
PUAFIR016	Undertake hover-exit operations from helicopter	30
PUAFIR017	Work safely around aircraft	8
PUAFIR018	Navigate from an aircraft	40
PUAFIR201	Assist with prescribed burning	25
PUAFIR202	Use Class A foam in wildfire operations and non-structural applications	8
PUAFIR203	Respond to urban fire	16
PUAFIR204	Respond to wildfire	25
PUAFIR205	Respond to aviation incident (specialist)	90
PUAFIR206	Check installed fire safety systems	25
PUAFIR207	Operate breathing apparatus open circuit	16
PUAFIR208	Participate in community safety activities	10
PUAFIR210	Prevent injury	90
PUAFIR212	Rappel from helicopter	40
PUAFIR220	Respond to isolated structure fire	40

PUAFIR301	Undertake community safety activities	16
PUAFIR302	Suppress urban fire	80
PUAFIR303	Suppress wildfire	35
PUAFIR304	Respond to marine emergencies	80
PUAFIR305	Respond to aviation incidents (general)	40
PUAFIR306	Identify, detect and monitor hazardous materials at an incident	24
PUAFIR307	Operate aerial appliance	70
PUAFIR308	Employ personal protection at a hazardous materials incident	8
PUAFIR309	Operate pumps	80
PUAFIR310	Operate specialist appliance	35
PUAFIR311	Dispatch rappel personnel and equipment from a helicopter	40
PUAFIR314	Utilise installed fire safety systems	60
PUAFIR323	Take local weather observations	8
PUAFIR324	Render hazardous materials incidents safe	35
PUAFIR325	Operate heavy plant in fire control operations	16
PUAFIR326	Push trees with machines in forest fire control operations	35
PUAFIR401	Obtain incident intelligence	16
PUAFIR402	Conduct simple prescribed burns	25
PUAFIR403	Assess building plans	40
PUAFIR404	Inspect dangerous goods facilities	80
PUAFIR405	Collect, analyse and provide regulatory information	20
PUAFIR406	Develop simple prescribed burn plans	55
PUAFIR407	Interpret and analyse fire weather information	20
PUAFIR410	Provide safety advice at a rural/land management incident	25
PUAFIR411	Provide safety advice at an urban incident	25
PUAFIR417	Supervise machinery use in wildfire operations	20
PUAFIR418	Supervise specialist response to aviation accidents and incidents	80

PUAFIR501	Conduct fire investigation and analysis activities	120
PUAFIR502	Develop incident control strategies	40
PUAFIR503	Coordinate human resource management activities	45
PUAFIR504	Assist with formulation and implementation of plans and policies	45
PUAFIR505	Administer cost centre's financial resources	30
PUAFIR506	Conduct complex prescribed burns	105
PUAFIR507	Inspect building fire safety systems	140
PUAFIR508	Develop and analyse the behaviour and suppression options for a wildfire	105
PUAFIR509	Implement prevention strategies	120
PUAFIR510	Inspect for legislative compliance	100
PUAFIR515	Develop complex prescribed burn plans	55
PUAFIR516	Assess and evaluate a facility's fire and incident safety management systems	200
PUAFIR517	Conduct an inspection of a performance based design building	180
PUAFIR518	Conduct and record a Bushfire Attack Level (BAL) assessment	25
PUAFIR601	Develop and administer organisational policies, procedures and practices	100
PUAFIR602	Manage the implementation of community safety strategies	80
PUAFIR603	Determine origin and cause of wildfire	55
PUAFIR604	Determine origin and cause of structure fire	55
PUAFIR605	Determine origin and cause of mobile property fire	25
PUAFIR606	Apply principles of combustion and fire dynamics to fire scene investigation	35
PUAFIR607	Apply electrical/electronic knowledge to fire investigations	35
PUAFIR608	Investigate fatal fires	35
PUAFIR609	Collect, record and coordinate the analysis of physical evidence	35
PUAFIR610	Manage imaging and electronic data	35
PUAFIR611	Process and analyse fire scene data and laboratory results	35
PUAFIR612	Undertake post incident analysis	35
PUALAW001	Protect and preserve incident scene	30

PUALAW002	Conduct initial investigation at incident scene	30
PUALAW003	Give evidence in a judicial or quasi-judicial setting	20
PUALAW004	Represent the organisation in a judicial or quasi-judicial setting	30
PUAMAN001	Manage the organisation's public safety responsibilities	60
PUAMAN002	Administer allocation of resources	50
PUAMAN003	Manage human resources	70
PUAMAN004	Manage procurement	80
PUAMAN005	Manage projects	80
PUAMAN006	Manage and facilitate change	80
PUAMAN007	Manage financial resources	80
PUAMAN008	Manage physical resources	80
PUAOIL202	Use basic equipment operations for oil spill response	20
PUAOIL303	Apply health, safety and risk controls when working on oiled shorelines	20
PUAOIL304	Use advanced equipment operations for oil spill response	40
PUAOIL404	Apply decision making strategies in an oil spill response	40
PUAOIL405	Apply oiled shoreline assessment strategies in an oil spill response	20
PUAOIL406	Lead a team in oiled shoreline clean up	20
PUAOPE001	Manage the investigation function at an incident	25
PUAOPE002	Manage the finance function at an incident	25
PUAOPE003	Manage the public information function at an incident	35
PUAOPE004	Manage the intelligence function at an incident	35
PUAOPE006	Control multi-agency emergency situations	80
PUAOPE007	Command organisational personnel within a multi-agency emergency response	80
PUAOPE009	Navigate in an aquatic environment	50
PUAOPE010	Operate an automated external defibrillator in an emergency	8
PUAOPE011	Inspect property and facilities	30
PUAOPE012	Control a Level 1 incident	40

PUAOPE013	Operate communications systems and equipment	15
PUAOPE014	Navigate to an incident	15
PUAOPE015	Conduct briefings and debriefings	20
PUAOPE016	Manage a multi-team sector	40
PUAOPE017	Coordinate resources for a multi-agency incident	50
PUAOPE018	Control a Level 2 incident	40
PUAOPE019	Control a Level 3 incident	60
PUAOPE020	Lead a crew	20
PUAOPE022	Manage logistics for a complex incident	40
PUAOPE023	Manage operations for a Level 2 incident	40
PUAOPE024	Manage operations for a Level 3 incident	40
PUAOPE025	Manage planning for a complex incident	40
PUAOPE026	Provide strategic safety advice at an incident	40
PUAOPE027	Undertake beach safety management activities	24
PUAOPE028	Conduct and manage community evacuation	25
PUAOPE029	Conduct liaison during emergency events	15
PUAOPE030	Establish and manage emergency evacuation centre	25
PUAOPE031	Facilitate lessons management process	15
PUAOPE032	Manage human factors in response and recovery	30
PUAOPE033	Undertake field liaison in a deployment context	15
PUAOPE034	Undertake jurisdictional liaison in a deployment context	15
PUAPRO001	Promote a learning environment in the workplace	30
PUAPRS205	Manage marketing requirements	65
PUARCV001	Provide psychological first aid	45
PUARCV002	Provide relief and recovery services to disaster-affected communities	45
PUARCV003	Work in a recovery context	35
PUARCV004	Apply person-centred approaches to recovery planning and activities	25

PUARCV005	Apply recovery concepts and principles	15
PUARCV006	Coordinate recovery activities across recovery environments	35
PUARCV007	Facilitate long-term recovery planning for a disaster event	25
PUASAR001	Perform land based swiftwater and floodwater rescue and recovery	12
PUASAR002	Undertake swiftwater and floodwater rescue and recovery	60
PUASAR003	Develop plans for deployment of a USAR team	50
PUASAR004	Implement and monitor USAR operation plans	50
PUASAR005	Review USAR team plans implemented at an incident	50
PUASAR011	Search as a member of an aquatic search team	25
PUASAR012	Apply surf awareness and self-rescue skills	30
PUASAR013	Participate in an aquatic rescue operation	15
PUASAR014	Operate and maintain a small powercraft and motor for rescue operations	40
PUASAR015	Crew small powercraft in a rescue operation	20
PUASAR016	Operate and maintain a personal water craft for rescue operations	20
PUASAR017	Undertake advanced surf rescue	26
PUASAR018	Select and maintain canines to be part of a canine search team for USAR incidents	110
PUASAR019	Train canines to work in a USAR environment	180
PUASAR020	Develop a canine search team for USAR incidents	180
PUASAR021	Search as part of a canine search team at USAR incidents	160
PUASAR022	Participate in a rescue operation	20
PUASAR023	Participate in a first response urban search and rescue Category 1	20
PUASAR024	Undertake road crash rescue	16
PUASAR025	Undertake confined space rescue	16
PUASAR026	Undertake industrial and domestic rescue	30
PUASAR027	Undertake land search rescue	30
PUASAR028	Undertake rescue from a partial structural collapse	30
PUASAR029	Undertake a complex transport rescue	35

PUASAR030	Undertake trench rescue	30
PUASAR031	Undertake an urban search and rescue Category 2 rescue technician	100
PUASAR032	Undertake vertical rescue	20
PUASES001	Assess trees at emergency incidents	20
PUASES002	Develop work plan for tree stabilisation and removal	20
PUASES003	Stabilise and remove trees during emergency incidents	20
PUASES008	Undertake storm and water damage operations	40
PUASES009	Undertake inland floodboat operations	50
PUASES010	Plan, activate and maintain a communications network	50
PUASES011	Manage emergency operations	70
PUASES012	Work as a team member in an emergency operations centre	30
PUASES013	Undertake storm and water damage operations performed at heights	35
PUASES014	Apply flood and fast moving water safety techniques	20
PUASES015	Operate over-snow vehicle	0
PUASES016	Apply snowcraft skills when performing search operations	0
PUATEA001	Work in a team	20
PUATEA002	Work autonomously	30
PUATEA003	Lead, manage and develop teams	50
PUATEA004	Work effectively in a public safety organisation	30
PUATEA005	Manage own professional performance	15
PUATEA006	Lead a functional unit at an incident	25
PUAVEH001	Drive vehicles under operational conditions	40
PUAWHS001	Follow defined work, health and safety policies and procedures	20
PUAWHS002	Maintain safety at an incident scene	25
PUAWHS003	Implement and monitor organisational work, health and safety policies, procedures and programs	40
PUAWHS004	Establish and maintain the work, health and safety system	50

Mapping Qualifications

The following table provides an overview of the qualifications from Version 6.0 which replace qualifications from the existing version of the PUA: Public Safety Training Package.

PUA Current Qualification			PUA Replacement Qualification			
National Code	National Title	Nominal Hours	E / NE	National Code	National Title	Nominal Hours

No changes occurred between PUA v5 & v6

Mapping Skill Sets

The following table provides an overview of the skill sets from Version 6.0 which replace skill sets from the existing version of the PUA: Public Safety Training Package.

PUA Current Skill Set				PUA Replacement Skill Set		
National Code	National Title	Nominal Hours	E / NE	National Code	National Title	Nominal Hours
			-	PUASS00108	Firefighting Appliance Pump Technician Skill Set	85

Mapping Units of Competency

The following table provides an overview of the units of competency from Version 6.0 which replace units of competency from the existing version of the PUA: Public Safety Training Package.

PUA Current Unit				PUA Replacement Unit		
National Code	National Title	Nominal Hours	E / NE	National Code	National Title	Nominal Hours
			-	PUAEQU002	Conduct maintenance and repair of firefighting pumps	35

Apprenticeships

The following table provides a summary of the apprenticeships that have been affected by changes in this PUA: Public Safety Training Package update.

Please refer to the current *Register of Class A and B qualifications* found on the Department of Training and Workforce Development website for the official list of apprenticeships in Western Australia.

National Code	National Title	Apprenticeship	Nominal Hours	E / NE	National Code	National Title	Nominal Hours
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No changes occurred between PUA v5 & v6

Traineeships

The following table provides a summary of the traineeships that have been affected by changes in this PUA: Public Safety Training Package update.

Please refer to the current *Register of Class A and B qualifications* found on the Department of Training and Workforce Development website for the official list of apprenticeships in Western Australia.

National Code	National Title	Traineeship	Nominal Hours	E / NE	National Code	National Title	Nominal Hours
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No changes occurred between PUA v5 & v6

Pre-Apprenticeships

The following table provides a summary of the pre-apprenticeships that have been affected by changes in this PUA: Public Safety Training Package update.

Please refer to the current *list of pre-apprenticeship courses* found on the [Jobs and Skills WA website](#) for the official list of pre-apprenticeships in Western Australia.

National Code	National Title	Pre-Apprenticeship	Nominal Hours	E / NE	National Code	National Title	Nominal Hours
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No changes occurred between PUA v5 & v6