



Learner Assessment Guide
Unit Standard 16937
Demonstrate knowledge of community risk management elements
in fire and rescue services
(Level 4, Credit 4, Version 3)

Level Descriptor

Level	Process	Employing	Responsibility
4	Carrying out processes that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Require a wide range of scholastic skills • Offer a considerable choice of procedures • Are employed in a variety of familiar and unfamiliar contexts 	Employing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A broad knowledge base incorporating some theoretical concepts • Analytical interpretation of information • Informed judgement • A range of sometimes innovative responses to • concrete but often unfamiliar problems 	Applied: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In directed activity • Under broad guidance and evaluation • With complete responsibility for the quantity and quality of output • With possible responsibility for the quantity and quality of the output of others

Descriptors: Credit 4 - will require approximately 40 - 48 hours of learning, practice or experience and assessment for a person with no previous knowledge or experience.

Version 3 - This document has been prepared based on version 3 of the Unit Standard.

Elements:

1. Evaluate the use of community risk management elements in organisational policy and procedures.
2. Apply risk management elements to identified actual and potential risks affecting the local community.
3. Apply risk management elements to identified actual and potential risks affecting the wider community.

Prerequisites: Recommended: Unit 16936, *Demonstrate knowledge of community risk management elements in fire and rescue services, or demonstrate equivalent knowledge and skills.*

Assessment Conditions: For the purposes of assessment, candidates will be required to demonstrate knowledge of community risk management issues in their local community.

Special Notes: The term *community risk management* is used to describe a methodology that can be applied to manage natural and manmade conditions that present risk or danger to the public, property, commerce, or the environment. The reference for community risk management is AS/NZS 4360:1999.

The term *local community* is used to describe the candidate's own Fire and Rescue District.

The term *wider community* is used to describe immediately adjacent locations outside of the candidate's own Fire and Rescue District.

The term *single agency* is used to describe the candidate's own service provider organisation.

Risks refers to hazards and/or dangers that may affect the safety and wellbeing of people, the continuity of services to the community, and the stability of the environment.

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Treatments refers to the actions, remedies, and solutions designed and applied to control, lessen, and in some cases mitigate identified hazards and risks.

Treatments are recognised as not always mitigating identified hazards and risks due to the circumstances of the hazards and risks. For the purposes of assessment, where treatments are impractical for mitigating hazards and risks (due to the size and nature of the hazards and risks) the treatments should be designed and applied to control and lessen the hazards and risks.

Assessing Element 1: Evaluate the use of community risk management elements in organisational policy and procedures.

Candidate ensures the organisation's policies and procedures are evaluated in terms of their use of community risk management elements.

Candidate ensures the relationship between organisational readiness and community risk management is identified in the organisation's policies and procedures.

Assessing Element 2: Apply risk management elements to identified actual and potential risks affecting the local community.

Candidate ensures actual and potential risks affecting the local community are identified consistent with the local community demography.

Candidate ensures demography may include but is not limited to:

- population densities
- cultural diversities
- socio-economic levels
- transport infrastructure
- public and community services

Candidate ensures risk management elements are applied to establish treatments for identified local community actual and potential risks.

Assessing Element 3: Apply risk management elements to identified actual and potential risks affecting the wider community.

Candidate ensures may include but not limited to:

- local agreements
- task force operations
- mutual aid provisions

Candidate ensures actual and potential risks profiled reflect wider community conditions and environmental factors.

Candidate ensures risk management elements are applied to establish treatments for identified wider community and environmental actual and potential risk.