

WSCA GUIDANCE NOTE

Common Units of Competence for Well Services Companies

Introduction

WSCA Training and Competence group was tasked with identifying Competence Units common to the Well Services sector.

Quality System

The group recommends that any Competence Assurance system used by Well Service Companies on the UKCS utilises industry recognised qualified Assessors and Verifiers (e.g. TDLB D32/D33 & D34) to assess and verify the Competence of employees.

A recognised Accrediting Body should externally verify the Competence system.

The following Units of Competence are recommended as a minimum requirement for Well Service Company employees working in the UKCS Oil and Gas Industry.

Unit C1 Contribute to the Health and Safety of the Working Environment

- Element C1.1 Conform to the Statutory and General Health and Safety Requirements
- Element C1.2 Monitor and Maintain Health and Safety of the Individual, Other Workers and Visitors
- Element C1.3 Monitor and Maintain Pollution Control Measures

Unit C6 Establish and Maintain Effective Working Relationships

- Element C6.1 Establish and Maintain Effective Working Relationships with Colleagues
- Element C6.2 Establish and Maintain Effective Working Relationships with Visitors to the Working Environment
- Element C6.3 Establish and Maintain Effective Working Communications with Colleagues
- Element C6.4 Carry out Work Handovers

In addition to the above, either or both of the following Units are recommended as additional Units of Competence for Well Service Company employees working on Safety Critical Tasks.

Unit C3 Assist with the Control of Emergencies and Critical Situations

- Element C3.1 Assist with the Control of Critical Situations
- Element C3.2 React to Emergencies in Other Areas

Unit C4 Contribute to the Control of Emergencies and Critical Situations

- Element C4.1 Contribute to the Control of Critical Situations
- Element C4.2 Respond to Emergencies in Other Areas

WSCA also recognise that there are other Competence Systems in use throughout the industry. We recommend that to maintain quality, the Performance Criteria should be able to be cross-referenced to the requirements within the Units listed above.