

12. Recognition of Qualifications and Statements of Attainment issued by other RTOs

RTO Policy

Purpose

To state the Department's commitment to recognising the qualifications and statements of attainment for individual units of competency issued by other RTOs.

Relationship to AQTF Standards for Registered Training Organisations 2005

This policy relates to Standard 5.1.

Scope

The policy covers the recognition of qualifications and statements of attainment for individual units of competency issued by other RTOs, within the Department's scope of registration.

Policy Statement

1. The Department will recognise the qualifications and statements of attainment of individual units of competency, within its scope of registration, from the Public Safety Training Package or the National Fire Curriculum and issued by other RTOs.

This means that the qualifications and individual units of competency will not be re-assessed.

2. Evidence of qualifications and statements of attainment (as defined in Point 1 above) from another RTO must be presented to RTO staff prior to its recognition.
3. Qualifications and statements of attainment (as defined in Point 1. above) from another RTO will be recorded on FireWeb, with the name of the issuing RTO and the name of the qualification or unit of competency as stated on the certificate.
4. Where a unit of competency, issued by another RTO, is required to attain a Departmental Fire Accreditation or perform a fire role, an additional assessment will be undertaken to assess the underpinning knowledge relating to ***the context and application of the competencies in the wildfire and Department specific context***, prior to issuing the accreditation or deploying the person to a fire role.

This additional assessment is needed to address agency induction and occupational health and safety requirements.

5. Where a unit of competency, issued by another RTO, is required to attain a Departmental Fire Accreditation or perform a fire role, **but is several years old**, an additional assessment will be undertaken to assess that **the competency has been maintained**, prior to issuing the accreditation or deploying the person to a fire role.

This additional assessment is needed to address agency induction and occupational health and safety requirements.

6. The **RTO Policy – Assessment and recognition of prior learning** applies where the qualification or statement of attainment for units of competency, issued by another RTO does not **exactly** match the qualification or unit of competency for which credit is being sought.
7. The **RTO Policy - Complaints and appeals** applies to this context.

Responsibilities

The Manager Fire Training is responsible for authorising this policy and seeing that it is adhered to.

FireWeb Training Module Users are required to implement this policy.

Legislative Context

Refer to **RTO Policy – Key legislation**

Associated Documents

RTO Policy – Complaints and appeals

Policy – Assessment and recognition of prior learning