



SURF LIFE SAVING AUSTRALIA – NATIONAL MEMBER AWARD SYLLABUS

SPINAL MANAGEMENT

AWARD SUMMARY

The aim of this course is to provide participants with the skills and knowledge to manage injured casualties with suspected spinal injuries in an aquatic environment and in emergency situations.

UNIT/S OF COMPETENCY

PUAEME004A Provide emergency care for suspected spinal injury

PRE-REQUISITES

Candidates must meet ALL of the following conditions:

- Be at least 15 years of age on the date of final assessment.

Proficient in one of the following awards:

- Apply (Senior) First Aid
- Bronze Medallion

Hold one of the following units of competency:

- HLTA201A or B or HLTA211A or HTLAID002 Provide basic emergency life support OR
- HLTA301B or C or HLTA311A Apply first aid OR
- HLTAID003 Provide first aid

RPL AND CREDIT TRANSFER

Candidates who believe they already possess some or all of the skills and knowledge of this award, or who have received one or more of the related units of competency, may wish to apply for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) or Credit Transfer. These candidates should consult their Training Officer or State Centre for more information.

WHO CAN TRAIN?

- Training Officer Spinal Management, OR
- Facilitator Spinal Management (currently endorsed as per state requirements)

NATIONAL LEARNING RESOURCES

- Spinal Management Manual
- Spinal Management Workbook
- Spinal Management Delivery and Assessment Guide
- Spinal Management Power Point Presentation
- Spinal Management online resource (for flexible delivery mode only)



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LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Identify suspected spinal injury
 - Immobilise cervical spine
 - Evaluate need to move casualty
 - Prepare casualty for transport
 - Transport and monitor casualty
 - Perform casualty handover
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WHO CAN ASSESS?

- Assessor Spinal Management, OR
- Facilitator Spinal Management (currently endorsed as per state requirements)

ASSESSMENT

Assessment is through demonstration, presentation and application of all elements of competency in the workplace. Participants will be required to complete activities that may include role-plays, oral and written questioning, practical demonstrations and performing scenarios.

PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS

For this award to remain current candidates must perform an annual proficiency check.