

TECHNICAL & VOCATIONAL EDUCATION & TRAINING

# National Competency Standard for Sound Engineer Standard Code: SOC17S17V1

#### **PREFACE**

Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) Authority was established with the vision to develop a TVET system in the Maldives that is demand driven, accessible, beneficiary financed and quality assured, to meet the needs of society for stability and economic growth, the needs of Enterprise for a skilled and reliable workforce, the need of young people for decent jobs and the needs of workers for continuous mastery of new technology.

TVET system in the Maldives flourished with the Employment Skills Training Project (ESTP) funded by ADB with the objective of increasing the number of Maldivians, actively participating in the labor force, employed and self-employed. The Project supported expansion of demand driven employment-oriented skills training in priority occupations and to improve the capacity to develop and deliver Competency Based Skill Training (CBST). The project supported delivery of CBST programs to satisfy employer demand-driven needs. The National Competency Standards (NCS) provide the base for this training. Currently CBST is offered for five key sectors in the Maldives: Tourism, Fisheries and Agriculture, Transport, Construction and the Social sectors. These sectors are included as priority sectors that play a vital role in the continued economic growth of the country.

The NCS are developed in consultation with Employment Sector Councils representing employers. They are designed using a consensus format endorsed by the Maldives Qualifications Authority (MQA) to maintain uniformity of approach and the consistency of content amongst occupations. This single format also simplifies benchmarking the NCS against relevant regional and international standards. NCS specify the standards of performance of a competent worker and the various contexts in which the work may take place. NCS also describes the knowledge, skills and attitudes required in a particular occupation. They provide explicit advice to assessors and employers regarding the knowledge, skills and attitudes to be demonstrated by the candidates seeking formal recognition for the competency acquired following training or through work experience. By sharing this information, all participants in the training process have the same understanding of the training required and the standard to be reached for certification. Certification also becomes portable and can be recognized by other employers and in other countries with similar standards. NCS are the foundation for the implementation of the TVET system in Maldives. They ensure that all skills, regardless of where or how they were developed can be assessed and recognized. They also form the foundation for certifying skills in the Maldives National Qualification Framework (MNQF).

# KEY FOR CODING

# Coding Competency Standards and Related Materials

DESCRIPTION	REPRESENTED BY
Industry Sector as per ESC	Construction Sector (CON)
(Three letters)	Fisheries and Agriculture Sector (FNA)
	Transport sector (TRN)
	Tourism Sector (TOU)
	Social Sector (SOC)
	Foundation (FOU)
Competency Standard	S
Occupation within an industry	Two digits 01-99
Sector	
Unit	U
Common Competency	1
Core Competency	2
Optional/ Elective Competency	3
Assessment Resources Materials	Α
Learning Resources Materials	L
Curricula	С
Qualification	Q1, Q2 etc
MNQF level of Qualification	L1, L2 etc
Version Number	V1, V2 etc
Year of endorsement of	By two digits Example- 07
standard, qualification	

# 1. Endorsement Application for Qualification 01

# 2. NATIONAL CERTIFICATE III IN SOUND TECHNICIAN

# 4. Purpose of the qualification

The holders of this qualification will possess the necessary skills and knowledge required to work as a sound technician. Work may be undertaken as part of a team and would be generally performed under supervision in a structured environment.

National Certificate III in Sound Technician Qualification will be awarded to those who are competent in unit 1+2+3+4+5+6+7+8+9

# 6. Schedule of Units

Unit Title	Unit Title	Code
1	Observe personal and workplace hygiene practices	SOC17S1U01V1
2	Practice health, safety and security practices	SOC17S1U02V1
3	Practice effective workplace communication	SOC17S1U03V1
4	Perform computer operations	SOC17S1U04V1
5	Handle physical elements safely during bump in/bump out	SOC17S1U05V1
6	Develop basic audio skills and knowledge	SOC17S1U06V1
7	Select and manage microphone and other audio input sources	SOC17S1U07V1
8	Install and disassemble audio equipment	SOC17S1U08V1
9	Assist with sound recordings	SOC17S1U09V1

7. Accreditation requirements	The training provider should place trainees in relevant work		
	environments to provide the trainees the hands-on		
	experience related to this qualification.		
8. Recommended sequencing	As appearing under the section o6		
of units			

# 1. Endorsement Application for Qualification 02

# 2. NATIONAL CERTIFICATE IV IN SOUND ENGINEER

# 4. Purpose of the qualification

The holders of this qualification will possess in depth necessary skills and knowledge required to work as a sound engineer. Work may be undertaken as part of a team and would be performed under supervision or independently in a structured environment.

5. Regulations for the qualification	National Certificate IV in Sound Engineer Qualification
3. Regulations for the qualification	will be awarded to those who are competent in unit
	1+2+3+4+6+7+8+9+10+11+12+13+14

# 6. Schedule of Units

Unit Title	Unit Title	Code
1	Observe personal and workplace hygiene practices	SOC17S1U01V1
2	Practice health, safety and security practices	SOC17S1U02V1
3	Practice effective workplace communication	SOC17S1U03V1
4	Perform computer operations	SOC17S1U04V1
5	Handle physical elements safely during bump in/bump out	SOC17S1U05V1
6	Develop basic audio skills and knowledge	SOC17S1U06V1
7	Select and manage microphone and other audio input sources	SOC17S1U07V1
8	Install and disassemble audio equipment	SOC17S1U08V1
9	Assist with sound recordings	SOC17S1U09V1
10	Manipulate and incorporate audio into multimedia presentations	SOC17S1U10V1
11	Perform basic sound editing	SOC17S1U11V1
12	Develop and implement sound plans	SOC17S1U12V1
13	Apply a general knowledge of audio to work activities	SOC17S1U13V1
14	Manage audio operations for outdoor events	SOC17S1U14V1
15	Undertake live audio operations	SOC17S1U15V1
16	Manage and compile audio replay material	SOC17S1U16V1
17	Solve problems in basic electronic circuits	SOC17S1U17V1

18	Repair and maintain audio equipment		SOC17S1U18V1	
7. Accreditation requirements  The training provider should place trainees in relevation environments to provide the trainees the hexperience related to this qualification.				
8. Recommended sequencing As appearing under the section o6 of units				

# **UNIT DETAILS**

Unit Title	Unit Title	Code	Level	No of credits
1	Observe personal and workplace hygiene practices	SOC17S1U01V1	3	3
2	Practice health, safety and security practices	SOC17S1U02V1	3	3
3	Practice effective workplace communication	SOC17S1U03V1	3	3
4	Perform computer operations	SOC17S1U04V1	3	3
5	Handle physical elements safely during bump in/bump out	SOC17S1U05V1	3	6
6	Develop basic audio skills and knowledge	SOC17S1U06V1	3	6
7	Select and manage microphone and other audio input sources	SOC17S1U07V1	3	6
8	Install and disassemble audio equipment	SOC17S1U08V1	3	6
9	Assist with sound recordings	SOC17S1U09V1	3	6
10	Manipulate and incorporate audio into multimedia presentations	SOC17S2U10V1	4	15
11	Perform basic sound editing	SOC17S2U11V1	4	12
12	Develop and implement sound plans	SOC17S2U12V1	4	15
13	Apply a general knowledge of audio to work activities	SOC17S2U13V1	4	15
14	Manage audio operations for outdoor events	SOC17S2U14V1	4	15
15	Undertake live audio operations	SOC17S2U15V1	4	15
16	Manage and compile audio replay material	SOC17S2U16V1	4	15
17	Solve problems in basic electronic circuits	SOC17S2U17V1	4	12
18	Repair and maintain audio equipment	SOC17S2U18V1	4	12

# **Packaging of National Qualifications:**

National Certificate III in Sound Technician will be awarded to those who are competent in units

1+2+3+4+5+6+7+8+9

**Qualification Code:** 

SOC17SQ1L317

National Certificate IV in Sound Engineer will be awarded to those who are competent in units

$$1+2+3+4+5+6+7+8+9+10+11+12+13+14+15+16+17+18$$

Qualification Code:

SOC18SQ2L417

# COMPETENCY STANDARD FOR SOUND ENGINEERING

Unit No	Unit Title
1.	Observe personal and workplace hygiene practices
2.	Practice health, safety and security practices
3⋅	Practice effective workplace communication
4.	Perform computer operations
5.	Handle physical elements safely during bump in/bump out
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#### **BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

Sound engineers or audio engineers work on the technical aspects of sound and music production by mixing, reproducing and manipulating the equalization and electronic effects of sound.

Sound engineers don't have to work strictly in music. Some engineers end up designing and controlling the sound at conferences, in theatres, and in any other venue that requires sound projection for an audience.

By controlling microphones, sound levels, and outputs, sound engineers combine their well-trained ears with their knowledge of acoustics to produce the best quality of sound for a variety of purpose.

Sound engineering is all about taking responsibility for the delivery of sound no matter what the medium. This may be mixing of sound at a venue, maintaining a broadcast, mixing and recording in a studio or even the maintenance and repair of sound equipment.

Sound engineering also requires one to understand the correct use of equipment such as the microphones, amplification, acoustic demands of a room/ venue and much more – all for the sole purpose of ensuring that the audience (in whatever form the sound is delivered – recorded, live or broadcast) receives the desired experience.

UNIT TITLE	Observe personal and work place hygiene practices		
DESCRIPTOR	This unit covers the knowledge, skills and attitudes required to observe		
	workplace hygiene procedures and maintaining of personal presentation and		
	grooming standard.		
	This unit deals with necessary skills and knowledge required for maintaining the		
	hygiene of workers and the hygienic practices that should be applied while on		
	the job.		
CODE	SOC17S1U01V1 LEVEL 3 CREDIT 3		

ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCIES	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
	1.1. Grooming, hygiene and personal presentation practices maintained at
1. Observe grooming, hygiene and	high standards in line with industry
personal presentation standards	norms and procedures
	1.2. Adequate level of personal cleanliness
	observed throughout the work
	1.3. Effects of poor personal hygiene
	understood and avoided in all practices
2. Follow hygiene procedures	2.1. Hygiene procedures followed in line with
	procedures and legal requirements
	2.2. Hygiene standards maintained in line
	with procedures
3. Identify and avoid hygiene risks	3.1. Hygiene risks understood and avoided
	in line with general standards and
	guidelines

# ASSESSMENT GUIDE

# Form of assessment

- Assessment for the unit needs to be holistic and observed during assessment of other units of competency which forms the qualification.
- Any written or oral examinations may include questions related to hygiene, illness and personal grooming standard.

#### Assessment context

Assessment may be done in workplace or a simulated work environment.

# **Critical aspects**

It is essential that competence is fully observed and there is ability to transfer competence to changing circumstances and to respond to unusual situations in the critical aspects of:

- Maintaining adequate level of all aspects of personal hygiene and cleanliness
- Following cleaning procedures for effective cleaning of work areas
- Immediately reporting any symptoms of illness
- Undertaking routine medical check-ups
- This unit may be assessed in conjunction with all and units which form part of the normal job role

#### **Assessment conditions**

- Theoretical assessment of this unit must be carried out in an examination room where proper examination rules are followed.
- Assessment of hygienic work practices must be constantly evaluated.

#### UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
• General knowledge of common	• Ability to follow procedures and
terminologies used in hygiene including	instructions
personal hygiene	Competent to work according to relevant
• Knowledge on general symptoms of	hygiene regulations and procedures
different types of diseases	• Competent to work to meet
Detailed knowledge and importance of	requirements for personnel hygiene and
illness and injury reporting procedures	hygienic practices
	<ul> <li>Communication skills</li> </ul>
	• Interpersonal skills

in the working		
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environment. It identifies the key safety hazards within the work area and		
recognizes the correct manner in which to safely carry out the tasks of the job,		
for the benefit of the trainee, colleagues and customers.		
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ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCIES	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
Follow workplace health, safety and	1.1. Health, safety and security
security procedures	procedures followed in line with
	operational policies and procedures
	and laws and regulations
	1.2. Illnesses reported through proper
	channels of communication, using
	relevant forms and formats, in line
	with enterprise procedures
	1.3. Safety and security breaches
	reported through proper channels
	of communication, in line with
	enterprise procedures
2. Deal with emergency situations	2.1. Emergency situations recognized
	and appropriate procedures
	followed in line with enterprise
	procedures
	2.2. Assistance sought and cooperation
	given in emergency situations in line
	with enterprise procedures
	2.3. Emergency incidences reported in
	line with enterprise procedures
3. Identify and prevent hygiene risks	3.1. Hygiene risks identified, prevented
	and avoided in line with enterprise
	procedures
	3.2. Hygiene risks reported to
	appropriate persons and corrective
	action taken in line with enterprise
	procedures

4. Clean the work area	4.1. Cleaning tasks accomplished to
	enterprise standards
	4.2. Proper method for cleaning selected
	and employed for appropriate task
	4.3. Undertakes sterilization
	4.4. Understands infection control
	procedures
5. Secure work premised	5.1. Work premises closed and locked at
	the end of work, in line with
	enterprise procedures
6. Follow first aid procedures	6.1. Emergency and first aid procedures
	understood and followed.
7. Inventory and storage	7.1. Inventory maintained
	7.2. Equipment stored according to the
	set procedures

#### Procedures included:

- Guidelines for safe handling of equipment of utensils
- Emergency procedures
- Fire safety procedures
- Security and safety guidelines
- Cleaning and decontamination procedures
- Waste handling procedures
- Cleaning chemicals handling guidelines
- Accident and incidence reporting procedures
- Basic first aid procedures
- Maintaining storage and inventory

# Tools, equipment and materials required may include:

Relevant procedure manuals

#### ASSESSMENT GUIDELINE

## Forms of assessment

Assessment for the unit needs to be holistic and must be observed through real or simulated workplace activities.

#### **Assessment context**

Assessment of this unit must be completed on the job or in a simulated work environment which reflects a range of safe working practices.

## **Critical aspects (for assessment)**

It is essential that competence is fully observed and there is ability to transfer competence to changing circumstances and to respond to unusual situations in the critical aspects of:

- Communicating effectively with others involved in or affected by the work.
- Identifying and assessing hazardous situations and rectifying, or reporting to the relevant persons.
- Safely handling and storage of dangerous and/or hazardous goods and substances.
- Applying safe manual handling practices.
- Safely and effectively operating equipment and utilising materials over the full range of functions and processes for work undertaken on worksite.
- This unit may be assessed in conjunction with all and units which form part of the normal job role.

#### **Assessment conditions**

Assessment must reflects and events processes that occur over a period of time

# Resources required for assessment

The following should be made available:

- A workplace or simulated workplace
- Situations requiring safe working practices
- Instructions on safe working practice
- Hazardous chemicals and/or dangerous goods information
- Common food services equipment with their usage guideline

#### UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
General knowledge on safe practices	Undertake safe manual handling jobs
Communication procedures	Competent to follow safety regulations
Relevant workplace procedures and	• Competent to work safely with
guidelines	workplace equipments, materials and
Infection control	colleagues
• sterilisation	

UNIT TITLE	Practice effective workplace communication		
DESCRIPTOR	This unit addresses the need for effective communication in the spa		
	environment. It describes the ethics of communication and shows the		
	importance of selecting the best method of communication during various		
	situations. It also identifies the barriers to communication and explains how to		
	overcome them. The unit also describes how to use the telephone; the		
	procedures for answering, transferring and holding calls, making outgoing calls		
	and taking messages. In addition it also highlights the need for cleaning		
	telephone equipment.		
CODE	SOC17S1U03V1 LEVEL 3 CREDIT 3		

ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCIES	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
Communicate with customers and colleagues	<ul> <li>1.1 Proper channels and methods of communication used</li> <li>1.2 Workplace interactions with customers and colleagues appropriately made</li> <li>1.3 Appropriate non-verbal communication used</li> <li>1.4 Appropriate lines of communication followed</li> </ul>
Participate in workplace meetings and discussions	<ul> <li>2.1 Meetings and discussions attended on time</li> <li>2.2 Procedures to expressing opinions and following instructions clearly followed</li> <li>2.3 Questions asked and responded to effectively</li> <li>2.4 Meeting and discussion outcomes interpreted and implemented correctly</li> </ul>
3. Handle relevant work-related documentation	<ul> <li>3.1 Conditions of employment understood correctly</li> <li>3.2 Relevant information accessed from appropriate sources</li> <li>3.3 Relevant data on workplace forms and other documents filled correctly</li> <li>3.4 Instructions and guidelines understood and followed properly</li> </ul>

	3.5 Reporting requirements completed properly
4. Handle telephone	<ul> <li>4.1 Procedures for taking messages and making outgoing calls followed correctly</li> <li>4.2 Incoming calls answered correctly</li> <li>4.3 Calls put on hold and transferred properly</li> <li>4.4 Outgoing calls made efficiently</li> <li>4.5 Communication in both English and Dhivehi demonstrated correctly</li> </ul>

## Procedures included:

- Organizational hierarchy and reporting order
- Communications procedures
- Telephone handling procedures

## Aspects evaluated:

- Non-verbal communication
- Interpersonal skills
- General attitude to customers, colleagues and work
- Conformity to policies and procedures

# Tools, equipment and material used in this unit may include

- Telephone
- Note pads
- Pens
- Forms and formats related to inter-personal communication

# ASSESSMENT GUIDE

#### **Assessment form**

Assessment for the unit needs to be continuous and holistic and must include real or simulated workplace activities.

## **Assessment context**

Assessment of this unit must be completed on the job or in a simulated work environment which reflects a range of opportunities for communication.

#### **Critical aspects (for assessment)**

It is essential that competence is fully observed and there is ability to transfer competence to changing circumstances and to respond to unusual situations in the critical aspects of communicating

effectively with others involved in or affected by the work. This unit may be assessed in conjunction with all and units which form part of the normal job role.

# **Assessment conditions**

It is preferable that assessment reflects a process rather than an event and occurs over a period of time to cover varying circumstances.

# Special notes for assessment

Evidence of performance may be provided by customers, team leaders/members or other persons, subject to agreed authentication arrangements

# Resources required for assessment

The following should be made available:

- A workplace or simulated workplace
- Materials and equipment

# UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
General knowledge of English and	Undertake effective customer relation
Divehi grammar	communications
• General knowledge of common	• Competent in communicating basic with
telephone equipment	customers
General knowledge on effective	<ul> <li>Fluency in English and Dhivehi</li> </ul>
communication	language usage

UNIT TITLE	Perform Computer Operations				
DESCRIPTOR	This unit covers the knowledge, skills and attitudes and values needed to				
	perform computer operations that include inputting, accessing, producing and				
	transferring data using the appropriate hardware and software.				
CODE	SOC17S1U04V1	LEVEL	3	CREDIT	3

ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCIES	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
1. Input data into computer	<ul> <li>1.1. Data entered into the computer using appropriate program/application in accordance with company procedures</li> <li>1.2. Accuracy of information checked and information saved in accordance with standard operating procedures</li> <li>1.3. Input data stored in storage media according to requirements</li> </ul>
2. Access information using computer	2.1. Correct program/application selected based on job requirement 2.2. Program/application containing the information required accessed according to company procedures 2.3. Desktop icons correctly selected, opened and closed for navigation purposes
3. Produce/output data using computer system	3.1. Entered/stored data processed using appropriate software commands 3.2. Data printed out as required using computer hardware/peripheral devices in accordance with standard operating procedures 3.3. Files and data transferred between compatible systems using computer software, hardware/ peripheral devices in accordance with standard operating procedures

This unit covers computer hardware to include personal computers used independently or within networks, related peripherals, such as printers, scanners, keyboard and mouse, and storage media such as disk drives and other forms of storage. Software used must include but not limited to word processing, spreadsheets, database and billing software packages and Internet browsing software.

# Tools, equipment and materials required may include:

- Storage device
- Different software and hardware
- Personal computers system
- Laptop computer
- Printers
- Scanner
- Keyboard
- Mouse
- Disk drive /CDs, DVDs, compressed storage device

## ASSESSMENT GUIDE

#### Forms of assessment

The assessor may select two of the following assessment methods to objectively assess the candidate:

- Observation
- Questioning
- Practical demonstration

#### Assessment context

Assessment may be conducted out of the workplace preferably in a computer classroom

# **Critical aspects (for assessment)**

Assessment must show that the candidate:

- Selected and used hardware components correctly and according to the task requirement
- Identified and explain the functions of both hardware and software used, their general features and capabilities
- Produced accurate and complete data in accordance with the requirements
- Used appropriate devices and procedures to transfer files/data accurately

# **Assessment conditions**

Assessment may be conducted out of the work environment and may include assignments and projects.

# Special notes for assessment

During the assessment the trainees shall:

- Carry out all the tasks according to the industry and organizational policies and procedures
- Meet the performance criteria of all competence
- · Demonstrate accepted level of performance determined by the assessors

**Resources required for assessment**Computer hardware with peripherals and appropriate software

UNIT TITLE	Handle physical elements safely during bump in/bump out		
DESCRIPTOR	This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to assemble, pack		
	and load/unload physical elements under supervision for any production.		
	This unit is introductory in nature and focuses on safe manual handling and general knowledge of the bump in/bump out process and types of equipment. It does not include the specialised bump in/bump out procedures and knowledge required by technicians.		
CODE	SOC17S1U05V1 LEVEL 3 CREDIT 6		

ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCIES	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA		
	1.1. Assemble/dismantle physical		
	elements in the correct order in		
	accordance with instructions to		
	ensure ease of packing, loading,		
1. Prepare physical elements for	unloading and installation		
transportation.	1.2. Pack physical elements safely using		
	appropriate techniques and		
	materials to avoid damage during		
	transportation		
	2.1. Load/unload physical elements in		
	the required order taking care to		
2. Load/unload physical elements	avoid damage		
	2.2. Use safe manual handling		
	techniques throughout the		
	loading/unloading process to avoid		
	injury or damage		

	2.3. Install or position physical elements
	in appropriate work or storage area
	in accordance with directions
	2.4. Identify any hazardous items and
	load these in a manner which
	minimises health and safety risk
	2.5.Inspect load prior to transportation
	to ensure that all items are loaded
	appropriately, and make
	adjustments as required.
	3.1. Check the condition of physical
3. Check condition of physical	elements to ensure that no damage
elements	has occurred during bumpin/bump-
	out
	3.2. Identify any repairs required and
	report to the appropriate personnel
	for action, using correct
	documentation as required

Physical elements may include any equipment or materials commonly used for an entertainment production such as;

- sets
- lighting
- equipment
- audio
- equipment
- props

Packing/loading techniques

- use of restraints
- particular ways of handling different equipment
- use of protective coverings.

Packing materials

- road cases
- boxes crates
- tape
- rope
- straps
- bubble wrap
- tissue paper
- labels

#### ASSESSMENT GUIDE

## **Assessment context**

The assessment context must provide for:

practical demonstration of skills through the packing, loading and positioning of physical elements and interaction with a team during the bump in/bump out process.

# **Critical aspects (for assessment)**

The following evidence is critical to the judgement of competence in this unit:

- knowledge of safe manual handling techniques for various types of equipment
- ability to move, pack and load equipment under instruction using safe manual handling techniques

#### **Assessment methods**

Assessment may incorporate a range of methods to assess performance and the application of essential underpinning knowledge:

- direct observation of the candidate packing, loading or unloading equipment during a bump in/bump out,
- oral or written questioning to assess knowledge of equipment types and features, safety issues,
- case studies or problem-solving exercises to assess the candidate's ability to respond
  to different operational situations and contexts,
- review of portfolios of evidence and third-party workplace reports of on-the job performance by the candidate.

Assessment of this unit requires access to:

- a venue for bump in/bump out
- a range of equipment typically used for a production
- transportation into which equipment can be loaded.

#### UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

# UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE UNDERPINNING SKILLS general knowledge of the bump literacy skills sufficient to read in/bump out process for different simple work instructions, types of production, including equipment lists and safety directions typical procedures and processes numeracy skills sufficient to and the roles and responsibilities of count/tally equipment and other different personnel. physical elements. general knowledge of the typical physical elements used for different types of production safe manual handling techniques and the broader safety issues associated with the movement of physical elements relevant Health and Safety requirements packing materials and techniques used for different types of equipment techniques for loading and stowing equipment for safe transportation the range of tools commonly required during the bump in/bump out process

UNIT TITLE	Develop basic audio skills and knowledge			
DESCRIPTOR	This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge			
	required to complete basic audio tasks in a range of production contexts.			
	At this level, they are working under the direct supervision of experienced sound technicians and operating equipment at a basic level.			
CODE	SOC17S1U06V1 LEVEL 3 CREDIT 6			

ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCIES	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
	1.1. Confirm requirements with
	supervisor and with reference to
	audio installation plans
	1.2. Identify preferred rigging and
1. Prepare for audio set-up	positioning points for audio
	equipment
	1.3. Sort equipment and accessories in
	preparation for set-up
	1.4. Handle equipment appropriately,
	taking equipment differences into
	account
	2.1. Connect and position audio system
	cables according to supervisor's
	instructions and safety requirements
2. Complete tasks using audio	2.2. Wire audio system in correct
equipment	sequence, demonstrating a
	knowledge of how signal flows
	through the audio chain, and then
	confirm wiring with supervisor
	2.3. Set start-up and operating settings
	in correct sequence and test

	features of audio desk according to
	instructions
	2.4. Identify problems with equipment
	promptly, and take action within
	scope of own responsibility or
	report to supervisor
	2.5.Use positioning and equalising
	techniques to create optimum sound
	quality
	2.6. Communicate appropriately with
	relevant personnel, clients and the
	public during the completion of
	tasks
	3.1. Disconnect equipment and
	accessories according to supervisor's
	instructions and safety requirements
3. Complete post-production tasks	3.2. Assist with storing and transporting
	equipment as required
	3.3. Seek feedback on own work
	performance from supervisor and
	adjust work practices accordingly

- Audio installation plans
- Rigging and positioning points for audio equipment
- Wiring audio system
- Signal flow
- Positioning and equalizing techniques

#### ASSESSMENT GUIDE

# Forms of assessment

Holistic assessment with other units relevant to the industry sector, workplace and job role is recommended.

# **Assessment context**

Assessment must ensure:

- access to an actual workplace or simulated environment
- access to office equipment and resources

# **Assessment conditions**

The assessment environment must include access to:

- a range of sound equipment
- an environment in which an audio system can be run.

# UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
General scope of audio operations in	Complete a range of audio tasks safely and
different contexts and the relationship	according to instructions
between audio operations and other technical and performance areas.	Apply knowledge of key features and
technical and performance areas.	purpose of audio equipment and accessories
Features and meaning of a signal flow chart	to work activities
for a typical sound system in the context of	
completing audio tasks.	Apply knowledge of signal flow through the
Basic sound pressure level measurement	audio chain when undertaking audio set-up tasks
basic sound pressure level measurement	tusks
Decibel levels	Work collaboratively.
Diagram de la constantina	
Phase and phase cancellation	
Power isolation	
Basic safety procedures for handling,	
operating and storing audio equipment and	
accessories	
land for the second of the sec	
key features of, purpose and basic operating procedures for the following audio	
equipment:	
audio mixing consoles	
common accessories	
input source equipment	
• loudspeakers	
signal processing equipment.	

UNIT TITLE	Select and manage microphone and other audio input sources				
DESCRIPTOR	This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to select and				
	manage audio input sources and the audio signals these devices create.				
CODE	SOC17S1U07V1	LEVEL	3	CREDIT	6

ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCIES	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
	1.1. Determine audio requirements for
	the application
	1.2. Assess the venue to determine input
Select microphones and other input	source options based on acoustic
sources according to application	analysis and any physical limitations
	1.3. Assess the acoustic source of the
	audio to identify the preferred
	microphone placement
	1.4. Identify and select the most
	appropriate microphone options,
	including consideration of
	microphones for specific purposes
	2.1 Electrically connect and
	mechanically set microphones in a
	desired location using safe work
	practices
	2.2 Position microphone appropriately
2. Maximise gain on stage	to achieve required gain
	2.3 Implement appropriate equalisation
	options and introduce relevant
	effects equipment to increase gain
	before feedback
	3.1. Prepare and implement an
	appropriate microphone plot
	3.2. Patch microphone signals to the
	audio mixing desk, including
	multiple signals where required

3.3.	Prepare and maintain an input
	signal failure plan
3.4.	Test input sources, identify any
	problems promptly and take action
	to rectify as appropriate

#### Acoustic sources

- acoustic instruments
- electric instruments
- the voice for dramatic dialogue
- the voice for lectures and meetings
- the voice for music

# Microphone options

- condenser
- dynamic

# Microphones for specific purposes

- lectern
- specific instruments, e.g. piano, electric guitar
- stage dialogue

Equalisation options and effects equipment to achieve maximum gain before feedback

- feedback eliminator style device
- one third octave equaliser
- parametric equaliser

#### ASSESSMENT GUIDE

## Forms of assessment

Assessment of this unit requires access to:

- a range of industry-current microphones of different types
- · other audio equipment such as mixing console
- venue/location for staging of production/event

# **Assessment context**

The assessment context must provide for:

- practical demonstration of skills through the selection and set-up of a complex microphone plot for more than one production/event
- involvement of and interaction with a production/performance team
- use of industry-current equipment.

# **Critical aspects (for assessment)**

The following evidence is critical to the judgement of competence in this unit:

- knowledge of microphone technology and product options sufficient to complete a set-up
- ability to select, set-up and test a microphone plot.

# **Assessment methods**

Assessment may incorporate a range of methods to assess performance and the application of essential underpinning knowledge, and might include:

- evaluation of the audio aspects of an event where the candidate has been responsible for microphone selection and set-up
- evaluation of a microphone plot prepared for a specific purpose by the candidate
- oral or written questioning to assess knowledge of microphone technology
- review of portfolios of evidence and third party workplace reports of on-the-job performance by the candidate.

#### UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
knowledge of different types of	Current trends in microphone
microphone and their applications,	development and the availability of
including different audio pick-up	products
patterns, microphone behaviour in	<ul> <li>Terminology associated with input</li> </ul>
different environments, acoustic	source management
consequences of signal phase	
problems, the use of phantom power	
Microphone requirements for	
different types of environment,	
including live sound, studio	
recording and live broadcast	

- Techniques for preparation of a microphone plot, including key elements and relevant issues for consideration
- Techniques for preparation of an input signal failure plan, including key elements and issues for consideration
- Techniques for management of diverse input signal types, including limitations

UNIT TITLE	Install and disassemble audio equipment				
DESCRIPTOR	This unit descri	bes the skills	and knowle	dge required	to install and
	disassemble audio equipment for a range of productions.				
	It applies to individuals who work collaboratively as part of a production team to install, align, test and disassemble audio equipment.				
CODE	SOC17S1U08V1	LEVEL	3	CREDIT	6

ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCIES	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
	1.1. Interpret production documentation
	and requirements, and confirm with
	relevant people
	1.2. Assess acoustic characteristics of
1. Prepare for installation of audio	venue with relevant people and select
equipment	appropriate equipment and
	accessories
	1.3. Calculate power requirements and
	identify power locations and patching
	requirements
	2.1. Secure and label cabling in line with
	production requirements
	2.2. Set up power distribution in line with
	production requirements
	2.3. Position microphones, accessories
	and cabling
2. Install audio equipment	2.4. Confirm fitted lapel microphones
	meet technical performance
	standards
	2.5.Confirm phantom power is provided
	at microphone inputs
	2.6. Connect effects rack to mixer in line
	with production requirements

	2.7.Follow safe work practices when
	installing equipment
	3.1. Match audio equipment according to
	level, impedance, phase and
	frequency
3. Align audio equipment	3.2. Route test signals to correct
	destination
	3.3. Confirm test signal level meets
	production requirements
	3.4. Tune the system to avoid feedback
	4.1. Check microphone lines for continuity
	and patching
	4.2. Test microphones and confirm they
	are functioning correctly
	4.3. Fit microphones to relevant people
4. Test audio equipment	and perform sound cues as required
	4.4. Patch, test and tune sound
	reinforcement system to suit
	production venue
	4.5.Conduct sound check and document
	any adjustments in line with
	production requirements
	4.6. Inform relevant people of any
	problems that arise during testing
	processes
5. Disassemble audio equipment	5.1. Disassemble equipment in line with
	production requirements
	5.2.Check audio equipment against
	inventory before packing, and report
	lost or damaged equipment to
	appropriate people
	5.3. Pack equipment and accessories and
	prepare for transit or storage in line
	with safe work practices and
	production requirements

5.4.Clean and restore work environment
to previous condition
5.5. Seek feedback from relevant people
on own work performance, and note
areas for improvement

Acoustic characteristics of venue

- frequency
- pitch
- amplitude
- loudness
- velocity
- wavelength
- acoustical phase
- timbre
- sound envelope

# psychoacoustic principles

- spatial hearing
- direct sound
- early sound
- reverberant sound
- · room design

# Power requirements

- voltage
- distribution
- phasing
- · load and circuit breaking
- Power locations

# Patching requirements

# Cabling

# Microphone options

- condenser
- dynamic

# Microphones for specific purposes

- lectern
- specific instruments, e.g. piano, electric guitar
- stage dialogue

# ASSESSMENT GUIDE

## **Assessment Conditions**

The assessment environment must include access to:

- audio equipment
- suitable venue
- relevant production documentation
- interaction with others.

# UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
Basic audio principles and practice,	interpret production documentation
including:	and requirements in collaboration
range of microphones and contexts	with others safely install and
in which they are used	disassemble audio equipment for at
microphone characteristics, e.g.	least three productions
frequency response, sensitivity and	test audio equipment and
polar patterns	accessories in line with production
effect of microphone placement on	requirements
quality of sound	
• characteristics of sound in a range of	
environments	
• signal-to-noise ratio, signal phase	
and audio level/headroom control	

- audible defects in analogue and digital technologies
- features of mixers, amplifiers, speakers and effects racks

Basic principles of acoustics, including:

- frequency
- pitch
- amplitude
- loudness
- velocity
- wavelength
- acoustical phase
- timbre
- sound envelope

Basic understanding of psychoacoustic principles, including:

- spatial hearing
- direct sound
- early sound
- reverberant sound
- room design

Techniques for installing, aligning and testing audio equipment, including:

- understanding electrical power (e.g. voltage, distribution, phasing, load and circuit breaking)
- knowledge of a range of sound equipment and associated operating principles (e.g. level, impedance, phase and frequency)

 testing and tagging all electrical fittings in accordance with safety regulations

Issues and challenges that typically arise in the context of setting up and disassembling audio equipment

OHS requirements, including:

- licensing requirements for persons performing high risk work and entering building sites
- safe manual-handling techniques
- working safely with electricity and hazardous substances
- principles of safe listening, such as safeguards against hearing loss

UNIT TITLE	Assist with sound recordings		
DESCRIPTOR	This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to undertake routine sound recording tasks using a variety of recording equipment in a studio or live environment.  It applies to individuals who work under close supervision and have responsibility for assisting with setting up recording equipment, doing sound checks, monitoring the quality of recorded sound, labelling/logging recordings and solving routine problems that might occur during the recording process.		
CODE	SOC17S1U09V1 LEVEL 3 CREDIT 6		

ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCIES	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
Assist with prerecording checks	1.1. Clarify documentation and
	consumables for recording
	production with appropriate people
	1.2.Connect and operate sound
	equipment and accessories
	according to work health and safety,
	technical and production
	requirements
	1.3. Refer faults and problems to
	appropriate people
2. Contribute to recording operations	2.1. Follow directions about the
	placement and movement of
	microphones and microphone
	accessories
	2.2. Assist with sound check to ensure
	levels and characteristics of recorded
	sound meet required standards
	2.3. Confirm signal processing
	requirements with appropriate
	people, and make test recordings to

ensure no audible defects are
present
2.4. Listen to sound recording for
audible defects and extraneous
background sound, and report
problems to appropriate people
2.5.Label and log recordings according
to production requirements
2.6. Disconnect sound equipment and
accessories according to safety,
technical and production
requirements
2.7.Clean work environment after use
and restore to pre-recording
condition

# ASSESSMENT GUIDE

Assessment should ensure access to;

- work environments and productions where sound is recorded
- sound recording equipment and accessories
- production documentation.

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
describe the operation and uses of a	work environments and productions
range of industry current sound	where sound is recorded
recording equipment and	<ul> <li>sound recording equipment and</li> </ul>
accessories	accessories
<ul> <li>explain the basic principles and</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>production documentation.</li> </ul>
techniques of sound recording	
explain the basic characteristics of	
recorded sound	
outline the work health and safety	
(WHS) principles of safe listening,	

including safeguards against hearing	
loss.	

UNIT TITLE	Manipulate and incorporate audio into multimedia presentations				
DESCRIPTOR	This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to edit, combine				
	and incorporate audio into multimedia presentations.				
CODE	SOC17S2U10V1	LEVEL	4	CREDIT	15

ELEMENTS OF	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA	
COMPETENCIES		
	1.1. Distinguishing features and uses of analogue and	
	digital audio are determined Terms describing audio	
	characteristics are used correctly	
1. Identify and describe	1.2. Contemporary digital audio formats and their	
formats of digital audio	application in achieving defined outcomes are	
	identified	
	1.3. Data rates for major digital sources and their	
	relevance to defined outcomes are determined	
	1.4. Appropriate methods for saving and producing	
	digital audio outputs are determined for range of	
	sources and destinations	
	1.5. Sampling techniques and sources for digital audio	
	appropriate to defined outcomes are determined	
	1.6. Uses of Musical Instrument Digital Interface (MIDI)	
	technology are determined	
2. Use digital audio	2.1. Appropriate digital audio software is assessed and	
software	selected for job	
	2.2. Programs are used to edit and manipulate audio	
	according to job specifications	
77 No. 11 No. 1	3.1. Single and multiple audio tracks are edited to achieve	
3. Edit digital audio	defined outcome	
	3.2. Multiple tracks of digital audio are joined according	
	to job specifications	
	3.3. Digital effects are employed to modify and integrate	
	digital audio tracks according to job specifications	

	3.4. Time encoding is applied to single and multiple
	edited digital audio tracks according to job
	specifications
	3.5. Audio track is inserted into multimedia production
	sequence according to job specifications
	4.1. Techniques for hooking sounds are identified.
4. Construct digital	4.2. Defects on sound recordings are eliminated and/or
audio track	treated
	4.3. Special effects and mixing techniques are used on
	audio track according to job specifications
	4.4. Sequencers are used to create digital audio tracks
	according to job specifications
	4.5. MIDI and sound cards are used to create digital
	audio according to job specifications
	4.6. Audio track is produced using appropriate track
	construction software and hardware Audio tracks are
	saved in appropriate file formats

### RANGE STATEMENT

This relates to the unit as a whole providing the range of contexts and conditions to which the performance criteria apply. It allows for different work environments and situations that will affect performance.

#### ASSESSMENT GUIDE

### **Assessment Conditions**

Gather evidence to demonstrate consistent performance in conditions that are safe and replicate the workplace. Noise levels, production flow, interruptions and time variances must be typical of those experienced in the digital media technologies field of work and include access to software, hardware and equipment and materials required for construction and editing of sound files.

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
Identify the distinguishing features of	Construct, edit and incorporate audio
analogue and digital audio	elements into at least TWO different
	multimedia sequences including:
Explain the terms:	
amplitude, sound waves, frequency,	finding and using information
mono and stereo	relevant to the task from a variety of sources
Identify the main contemporary digital	interpreting requirements from job
audio formats	specifications
	selecting and using suitable software
Describe data rates that apply to selected	and hardware.
digital sources	
Identify complime compliments the large and	
Identify sampling, sampling techniques and sources for sampling digital audio	
sources for sampling digital audio	
Explain the different uses of Musical	
Instrument Digital Interface (MIDI)	
technology	
Identify the distinguishing features of	
selected digital audio software	
Explain the purpose of an audio frame	
when saving and producing digital audio	
outputs	
Explain the process to join multiple tracks	
of digital audio	
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Identify the types of digital effects that are	
used to modify and integrate digital audio	
tracks	

Explain the purpose of time encoding	
Clarify how sequencers are used to create	
digital audio tracks	
Explain the purposes of sound cards.	
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UNIT TITLE	Perform basic so	und editing			
DESCRIPTOR	This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge required for basic digital sound editing.				
CODE	SOC17S2U11V1	LEVEL	4	CREDIT	12

	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
1.1.	In consultation with relevant production
	personnel, clarify editing requirements,
	including creative and technical expectations
	of productions
1.2.	Obtain and label source materials and
	additional materials as required and keep
	them in a safe, clean location with
	appropriate documentation
1.3.	Organise transfer of source materials to
	appropriate equipment where necessary,
	ensuring sufficient digital storage capacity is
	available
1.4.	Check editing equipment is operational and
	suited to the designated editing processes
1.5.	Organise additional equipment and
	consumables needed to minimise
	interruptions during the editing process
2.1.	Digitise audio content and additional sound
	materials in the specified format, ensuring
	format is compatible with available software
	and editing equipment
2.2.	Monitor digital output and arrange for
	problems to be fixed where necessary
2.3.	Identify sound edit positions using
	appropriate documentation and optimise
	quality where applicable
	1.2. 1.3. 1.4. 1.5.

	2.4.	Log and assess sound sequences according to
		production requirements and arrange digital
		back-up copies as insurance against editing
		errors
	2.5.	Consider how materials may be edited
		efficiently to meet technical and creative
		criteria
	3.1.	Edit audio sequences according to
3. Edit sound sequences		production requirements and accurately
		document details of each edited sound
		sequence
	3.2.	Generate an appropriate track list to
		facilitate subsequent stages of sound mixing
		processes
	3.3.	Accurately chart positions and durations of
		sound sequences, noting requirements for
		transitions where applicable
	3.4.	Apply effects and digital enhancements to
		maximise creative outcomes of sound
		sequences according to production
		requirements
	3.5.	Manipulate editing software and equipment
		to produce required sequences and to resolve
		identified problems
	3.6.	Seek feedback on work in progress from
		relevant production personnel and refine
		edits as required
	3.7.	Submit final edits by the agreed deadline in
		accordance with enterprise procedures
	4.1.	Archive edited audio files and complete
4. Finalise sound edits		associated documentation according to
		enterprise procedures
	4.2.	Advise relevant production personnel of
		editing equipment requiring maintenance
		and leave workstation in original or
		improved condition

4.3.	Participate in post-production debriefing
	sessions as required
4.4.	Evaluate own performance against technical
	and creative criteria and discuss with
	colleagues where appropriate

#### RANGE STATEMENT

# Production personnel

- assistant editor
- broadcasters
- CGI (computer generated imagery) personnel
- director
- musicians
- producer
- production manager
- sound designer
- sound editor
- sound effects personnel
- sound engineer
- sound recording studio personnel
- other technical/specialist personnel.

# Source materials

- archival recordings
- atmosphere
- CD/DVD recordings
- foley effects
- live captured effects
- music
- SFX (sound effects)
- synthesised sound
- voice recordings/dialogue.

# Additional materials

- archival sound footage
- file images
- stock sound footage.

# Editing equipment

- amplifiers
- audio converters
- audio desk/mixers
- CD player/burner
- CDs
- DAT (digital audio tape)
- · digital and analogue recording devices
- digital non-linear (online) editing systems
- DVDs
- effects rack
- · hard disk recorder
- headphones
- linear (off-line) editing systems
- mini disks
- mixing console/desk analogue, digital, digitally controlled analogue (hybrid)
- sequence sampler
- speakers
- · tape machines.

## Consumables

- computer disks
- labels
- marker pens
- mini disks
- sound tapes, e.g.:
  - o DAT
  - cartridge
  - o compact audio cassette
  - o reel-to-reel
  - o 16 mm magnetic.

# Audio content

- atmosphere recordings
- dialogue
- foley effects
- interviews
- live recordings
- music
- sound effects
- synthesised audio.

# **Formats**

- audio/sound, e.g.:
  - o DAT
  - o AIF (AIFF)
  - o WAV
  - o WAV (BWF broadcast WAV format)
  - o WMA
  - o MIDI
  - o OGG
  - o AAC (advanced audio coding)
  - o Apple lossless
  - o magnetic tape
  - o Real Audio
  - o QuickTime
  - o MP3
- computerised data.

## Software

- after effects package
- computer programs, e.g.:
  - o Pro Tools
  - Sound Forge
  - o Adobe Audition
  - Final Cut Pro
  - Adobe After Effects

- EDL software
- freeware
- shareware.

## Sound edit

- computerised data
- digital non-linear
- edit of rough and fine cuts
- edit of source and recorded materials
- film and video audio assets
- initial edit of sound rushes
- integration of the picture (image) editing process to ensure sound and picture are in sync
- linear
- off-line
- on-line.

# Sound sequences

- atmosphere tracks
- dialogue
- foley effects
- music
  - sound effects tracks that have been:
  - pre-recorded (using sound effects libraries)
  - o recorded live (foley sound effects, production sound effects)
  - o electronically generated (synthesised/computer generated sound effects)
- · voice-overs.

# Manipulating editing software and equipment

- adjusting and normalising audio levels
- inserting, e.g.:
  - o transitions
  - o sound effects
  - o music
  - voice-overs

- o overlays
- manipulating audio clips, e.g.:
  - o cutting
  - o pasting
  - o copying
  - o moving
  - o splitting.

#### ASSESSMENT GUIDELINE

#### Forms of assessment

Holistic assessment with other units relevant to the industry sector, workplace and job role is recommended.

#### **Assignment Context**

Assessment must ensure:

- access to a range of pre-recorded sound footage
- access to industry-current sound editing software
- access to appropriate learning and assessment support when required

# **Critical aspects (for assessment)**

Evidence of the following is essential:

- a range of digitally edited sound sequences that meet production requirements
- collaborative approach to work
- attention to detail
- ability to work to deadlines.

#### **Assessment methods**

A range of assessment methods should be used to assess practical skills and knowledge. The following examples are appropriate for this unit:

- direct questioning combined with review of portfolios of evidence and third-party workplace reports of on-the-job performance
- evaluation of a range of sound sequences edited by the candidate in response to instructions received from a supervising editor
- observation of the candidate preparing and editing sound sequences
- written or verbal questioning to test knowledge as listed in the required skills and knowledge section of this unit.

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS	
familiarity with basic sound editing	communication, teamwork and	
conventions, practices and techniques	organisational skills sufficient to:	
	arrange sound media logically and	
editing and audio terminology	accurately	
	liaise with relevant production	
understanding of the roles and skills	personnel	
associated with other post-production	understand and follow instructions	
personnel		
	technical skills sufficient to:	
sound editing software and equipment for	edit a range of audio sequences and	
both broadcast and non-broadcast	segments	
	digitise pre-recorded content, e.g.	
varied characteristics of sound in a range of	digital and analogue audio, sound	
environments	effects	
	change audio from one format to	
OHS standards in relation to:	another	
using a computer and keyboard for	follow relevant file management	
periods of time	protocols for specified operating	
observing safe noise levels	systems	
	identify faults that occur in audio	
	production environments	
	initiative and enterprise in the context of editing sound to meet creative production requirements  aural discrimination skills in the context of listening critically to, and enhancing the quality of, sound elements and sequences	
	self-management skills sufficient to:	

- prioritise work tasks and meet deadlines
- seek expert assistance when problems arise

literacy and numeracy skills sufficient to:

- identify and label accurately source materials and copies
- read and interpret sound documentation and plans
- implement and record codes and timings
- document sound components, e.g. maintenance of logging sheets

UNIT TITLE	Develop and implement sound plans					
DESCRIPTOR	This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge					
	required to develop and implement sound plans for productions. This					
	involves researching the most appropriate sound systems to use,					
	identifying everything needed to meet creative and technical					
	requirements, and supervising the implementation of sound plans.					
CODE	SOC17S2U12V1 LEVEL 4 CREDIT 15					

ELEMENTS OF		PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
COMPETENCIES		
	1.1.	Liaise with the relevant personnel to determine
		the project requirements
	1.2.	Undertake research to determine the best
1. Establish brief for sound		options for meeting production requirements
system	1.3.	Consider available budget and other resources
		when determining the scope of the production
	1.4.	Source additional expertise as required
	2.1.	Develop a draft sound plan to meet production
		requirements
	2.2.	Ensure that microphone plots, sound sources,
		block diagrams and layout are drawn and
2. Produce sound plan		notated as required
	2.3.	Anticipate problems that might arise and plan
		accordingly
	2.4.	Seek feedback on draft sound plan from
		relevant personnel and amend plan
	3.1.	Ensure that all parties meet their obligations,
		adhere to quality standards and work within
		project requirements
	3.2.	Ensure that relevant personnel are involved in
		negotiating and agreeing on changes to the
		sound plan
3. Implement sound plan		

	3.3.	Ensure that sound system is tuned to achieve
		desired result
	3.4.	Ensure that equipment technical problems are
		addressed in ways that cause least disruption to
		productions
	3.5.	Ensure that all work is undertaken with due
		regard to OHS requirements
	3.6.	Prepare and update documentation as required
4. Evaluate operations	4.1.	In consultation with relevant personnel identify
		aspects of the production that worked well and
		those that could be improved
	4.2.	Evaluate own role in operations and note areas
		for improvement
	4.3.	Provide feedback to team members on their
		performance as required
	4.4.	Document evaluation of operations in line with
		enterprise procedures

# RANGE STATEMENT

# Elements of a sound plan

- list of equipment required
- features of the sound system
- · personnel required
- block diagrams to indicate positioning of equipment for optimum effect
- pre-production testing arrangements
- venue considerations
- budget
- performers' requirements
- interaction with other production elements, e.g. lighting
- sound sources.

## Sound sources

- dialogues and voice-overs
- additional dialogue recording (ADR)

- effects (FX)
- music produced acoustically or electronically
- foley
- atmosphere
- sounds from the natural environment.

# Equipment

- amplifiers
- limiters
- compressors
- effects rack
- turntables
- analogue to digital converters
- cables
- compact disc (CD) and digital versatile disc (DVD) players and burners
- computer technology and associated software
- recording devices:
  - o hard disk recorder, e.g. digital audio workstation (DAW)
  - o digital audiotape recorder, e.g. S-DAT and R-DAT
  - digital videotape recorder (DVTR)
  - o mini disc recorder (MD)
  - o modular digital multi-track recorder (MDM)
- digital audio players, such as:
  - o iPod
  - o MP3
- headphones
- microphones and accessories
- mixing consoles and desks
- monitors and speakers
- signal processors and plug-ins
- sequencers and samplers
- musical instruments.

#### ASSESSMENT GUIDELINE

## Forms of assessment

Holistic assessment with other units relevant to the industry sector, workplace and job role is recommended

#### Assessment context

Assessment must ensure:

- access to a range of industry-current equipment as listed in the range statement
- access to venues and productions or events

# **Critical aspects (for assessment)**

Evidence of the ability to:

- prepare sound plans that clearly specify all production requirements
- implement sound plans on at least two occasions
- supervise the work of others
- work collaboratively with team members.

## **Assessment methods**

The following assessment methods are appropriate for this unit:

- case studies, and written or oral questioning to test knowledge as listed in the required knowledge section of this unit
- authenticated copies of sound plans developed by the candidate.

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
techniques and principles in sound system	communication and teamwork skills
specification, including:	sufficient to:
applying acoustic principles when	liaise and negotiate with sound-
evaluating sound systems and their	production personnel
components	supervise the implementation of
operational knowledge of a wide	sound plans
range of sound-recording equipment	clearly explain/offer options about
	sound systems for a range of
	productions

- how sound is incorporated into the artistic, technical and operational requirements of productions
- features and operating characteristics of noise reduction systems
- fault finding techniques and procedures
- testing procedures
- drawing and annotating sound systems in sound plans
- issues and challenges that typically arise in the context of developing and implementing sound plans
- OHS principles of safe listening, including safeguards against hearing loss

 critical-listening and auraldiscrimination skills in the context of sound operations

initiative and enterprise skills in the context of:

- contingency planning
- responding effectively to equipment or system malfunction and other unexpected events during productions

literacy skills sufficient to:

- read and interpret recording documentation
- document and annotate sound plans
- numeracy skills sufficient to calculate the range of recording devices needed to capture sound in various environments

planning and organisational skills sufficient to:

- prioritise work tasks
- meet deadlines
- locate and use relevant sources of information in the context of preparing sound plans

technology skills sufficient to:

- work with a variety of audio equipment
- identify and rectify equipment faults

UNIT TITLE	Apply a general knowledge of audio to work activities				
DESCRIPTOR	This unit describes the foundation skills and knowledge required to complete a range of general audio-related tasks in a live venue environment.				
CODE	SOC17S2U13V1 LEVEL 4 CREDIT 15				

ELEMENTS OF		PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
COMPETENCIES		
	1.1.	Extract key information from audio
1. Make preparations for		installation plans and confirm
audio set-up		requirements with supervisor
	1.2.	Correctly identify preferred rigging and
		positioning points for audio equipment
	1.3.	Correctly identify cables used to connect
		different audio components
	1.4.	Correctly identify and sort equipment and
		accessories in preparation for set-up,
		ensuring appropriate handling and taking
		account of equipment differences
	2.1.	Correctly connect, disconnect and
		position audio system cables, including
2. Complete tasks using audio		microphone, speaker, multicore and
equipment		power feeds, in accordance with
		supervisor's instructions and safety
		requirements
	2.2.	Wire the audio system in correct sequence
		and confirm with supervisor
	2.3.	Set start up and operating settings in
		correct sequence and correctly use
		features of audio desk in accordance with
		instructions
	2.4.	Identify any problems with equipment
		promptly, take action within scope of

	individual responsibility or report to
	supervisor
2.5.	Use positioning and equalising techniques
	to create optimum sound quality
2.6.	Communicate appropriately with other
	technicians, performers or customers
	during the completion of tasks
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#### RANGE STATEMENT

# Equipment

- audio mixing consoles
- input source equipment
- loudspeakers

#### Accessories

- active splits
- analysis software
- continuity and phase testers
- DI boxes
- insolation transformers
- spectrum analysers
- SPL meters
- white or pink noise generators

## Equipment differences for loudspeakers

- features of high frequency compression driver types
- size of paper cone loudspeakers

# Equipment differences for audio mixing consoles

 how front of house consoles differ from stage monitor consoles, particularly the difference between pre and post fade auxiliary sends

# Equipment differences for input source equipment

• devices in the main signal chain, e.g. equalisers, CD, cassette, mini disk

 devices inserted over individual channels, such as noise gates, limiters, compressors, preamps

Correct start up sequence and operating settings for an audio system

- ensuring all amplifier volume controls are down (at minimum settings)
- ensuring all output faders on console are down (at minimum settings or muted)
- powering up all front-of-house equipment first
- powering up amplifiers last
- winding up amplifier volumes after all equipment is powered up

#### Correct sequencing of wiring

- connection of adequate mains to all components and understanding of power isolation
- patching to create a complete signal chain from input to output
- safe and neat positioning of cables and multicore

# Sound equipment

- amplifiers to suit the system
- analogue FOH mixing desk of at least 24:8:2 format
- CD player
- computer DAT
- effects rack
- hard disc recorder
- microphones of different pickup patterns and types
- mini disc
- signal processing equipment
- speakers as part of the system
- stereo 3-way PA system for audiences of different sizes

## Forms of assessment

Assessment of this unit requires access to:

- a range of sound equipment
- · a sound system
- an environment in which an audio system can be run.

#### Assessment context

The assessment context must provide for:

- practical demonstration of skills through the completion of a range of preparatory and set-up tasks with industry-current audio equipment
- project or work activities that allow knowledge to be applied to specific production contexts and situations.

# **Critical aspects (for assessment)**

The following evidence is critical to the judgement of competence in this unit:

- recognition of sound equipment, including key features and purpose
- understanding of signal flow through the audio chain
- completion of audio-related tasks in accordance with health and safety procedures.

#### **Assessment methods**

Assessment may incorporate a range of methods to assess performance and the application of essential underpinning knowledge, and might include:

- direct observation of the candidate completing audio-related tasks
- evaluation of equipment which has been set-up by the candidate
- oral or written questioning to assess knowledge of equipment and audio theory
- review of portfolios of evidence and third-party workplace reports of on-the-job performance by the candidate.

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
the general scope and potential of audio	literacy skills sufficient to extract key
operations within different live production	information from audio installation plans
contexts, e.g. theatre, music, corporate	
	numeracy skills sufficient to sort and count
the relationship between audio operations	equipment
and other technical and performance areas,	
including lighting, vision systems and	
performance	

typical roles and responsibilities of audio technicians in different contexts, including different career paths

fundamentals of sound in a circuit, including understanding that microphone level is 40 to -60dB line level

features and meaning of a typical sound system signal flow chart, including signal chains, gain structure and levels

decibel levels and basic sound pressure level measurement, including that frequency is measured in Hertz, understanding the differences between 100Hz and 1kHz

understanding of phase, including phase cancellation, and that at 180-degree phase difference signals do cancel each other out

common terminology used in relation to audio

occupational health and safety requirements that relate to audio personnel, in particular with regard to working safely with electricity

requirements for the storage of audio equipment

key features, purpose and basic operating procedures of major types of audio equipment, including different types of loudspeakers, audio mixing consoles, signal processing equipment, input source equipment and common accessories

different types of cable, their usage in different situations and how to care for them, including:

- microphone cables; how to run safely and neatly and where to store excess
- speaker cables; how to run safely and neatly and avoid lighting components
- multicore cables, how to run safely and neatly and where to store excess
- power cables, how to run safely and neatly and where to store excess

UNIT TITLE	Manage audio operations for outdoor events					
DESCRIPTOR	This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge required to plan, install and manage the operation of audio systems at outdoor events where factors such as weather conditions car significantly affect operations.	t				
CODE	SOC17S2U14V1 LEVEL 4 CREDIT 15					

ELEMENTS OF		PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
COMPETENCIES		
	1.1.	Determine audio requirements in consultation with relevant personnel and with reference to production documentation
Plan audio for outdoor	1.2.	Assess venues or sites to determine specific factors to consider when setting up outdoor audio systems, and plan for contingencies
events	1.3.	Record site information in an appropriate format to assist with system design
	1.4.	Develop audio system specifications which take full account of power issues, loudspeaker requirements and sound pressure factors
	1.5.	Develop schedules of outdoor audio system requirements, with specific reference to additional infrastructure and equipment requirements
	1.6.	Reach agreement on final configuration of outdoor audio systems, allowing adequate time for installation and testing prior to events
	2.1.	Complete checks to ensure availability of all resources prior to installation phase

	2.2.	Install audio systems according to safety
		procedures and test for their compliance
		with site restrictions, emergency
		procedures and noise pollution limitations
2. Install audio systems for	2.3.	Use the services of licensed personnel to
outdoor events		complete specialised work as required
	2.4.	Liaise with relevant personnel during
		installation to ensure efficiency of
		installation and their cooperation
	2.5.	Ensure a sufficient reserve of mains power
	3.1.	Monitor sound dispersion, weather and
		overall sound quality and take action to
3. Monitor outdoor audio		rectify problems
operations	3.2.	Communicate with colleagues during
		operation to share information and ensure
		quality of productions
	3.3.	In consultation with relevant personnel,
		evaluate effectiveness of outdoor audio
		operations and note areas for future
		improvement

# ASSESSMENT GUIDE

# **Assessment guide**

Assessment must be conducted in a safe environment where evidence gathered demonstrates consistent performance of typical activities experienced in creative arts industry environments.

The assessment environment must include access to:

- an outdoor venue and audio
- staging equipment suitable for outdoor use.

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
Explain how delay is applied in audio	Develop specifications for audio systems
systems to deal with the speed of sound	that meet production requirements in an
	outdoor setting on at least two occasions
Provide examples of health and safety	Manage the installation and operation of
issues and hazards associated with	audio operations for outdoor events on at
operating audio equipment outdoors, and	least two occasions
suggest ways of responding to them	
	Work collaboratively.
Explain the impact of different types of	
outdoor sites on electricity	
Provide examples of issues and challenges	
that typically arise when managing audio	
operations for outdoor events, along with	
strategies for addressing them.	

UNIT TITLE	Undertake live audio operations				
DESCRIPTOR	This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge required to interpret audio production requirements, participate in				
	technical run-throughs and operate professional audio equipment during live performances in the screen, media, entertainment and events industries.				
CODE	SOC17S2U15V1	LEVEL	4	CREDIT	15

ELEMENTS OF		PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
COMPETENCIES		
	1.1.	Determine audio requirements in
		consultation with relevant personnel and
		with reference to production
		documentation
	1.2.	Ensure that equipment is positioned and
		ready for operation according to production
		requirements
1. Participate in technical or	1.3.	Plot and run through cues on direction from
creative run-throughs		relevant personnel and according to
		equipment, sequencing, timing and speed
		requirements
	1.4.	Implement appropriate changes to audio
		operations and document them
	1.5.	Communicate appropriate technical
		information to performers and presenters
	2.1.	Power up equipment at the appropriate
2. Prepare for audio		time and check that it is working correctly
operations	2.2.	Complete audio check and implement and
		document adjustments
	2.3.	Promptly identify, rectify or refer
		equipment problems to relevant personnel
		as required

	3.1.	Execute all audio cues according to running
		sheets or directions from colleagues
	3.2.	Promptly identify changes required during
		performances and modify cues as required
		to cater for unexpected events and
		minimise negative impact on performances
3. Operate professional audio	3.3.	Operate console to produce the required
equipment		technical level and tonal balances
	3.4.	Adjust equalisation for required tonal
		balance
	3.5.	Balance signal levels
	3.6.	Maintain overall audio level in line with the
		requirements of the environment
	3.7.	Play back audio effects at the required level
		through the appropriate speakers
	3.8.	Monitor equipment for correct operation
		throughout performances and resolve
		problems as required
	4.1.	Safely power down equipment at the
		appropriate time according to manufacturer
		instructions
	4.2.	Identify and complete necessary equipment
		adjustments, including maintenance and
		re-setting as required in preparation for
4. Complete post-		next performance
performance procedures	4.3.	Update documentation as required and
		process according to organisational
		procedures
	4.4.	Evaluate effectiveness of audio operations
		with relevant personnel and note areas for
		future improvement

# Assessment guide

Assessment must be conducted in a safe environment where evidence gathered demonstrates consistent performance of typical activities experienced in creative arts industry

environments. The assessment environment must include access to professional audio equipment used for live productions or events.

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
Describe features, formats and purpose of	Operate professional audio equipment to
audio production documentation	meet production requirements on at least
	two occasions
Describe features of, and operating	
procedures for, industry-standard audio	Follow safety procedures when operating
mixing consoles, amplifiers, speakers and	audio equipment
equalisers	
	Work collaboratively during productions.
Describe the characteristics of sound in a	
range of environments	
Explain audio effects and provide examples	
of when to use them	
Describe techniques for amplifying music to	
suit varying live environment conditions	
Describe typical faults and problems that	
occur in a live audio environment, and	
provide examples of how to address them	
Provide examples of health and safety	
issues relevant to working with electricity	
and noise	

UNIT TITLE	Manage and compile audio replay material				
DESCRIPTOR	This unit describe	es the skills a	ınd knowledg	e required to	compile sound
effects and replay material from diverse sources and to replay those effects on cue in a live performance situation.					
CODE	SOC17S2U16V1	LEVEL	4	CREDIT	15

ELEMENTS OF		PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
COMPETENCIES		
	1.1.	Liaise with relevant colleagues to determine
1. Assess source materials		production needs for replay materials
	1.2.	Identify sources of materials and ascertain
		availability
	1.3.	Prepare an accurate record of material
		noting source, content and duration
		required
	1.4.	Establish any copyright restrictions on
		source materials and seek clearance for use
		as required
	2.1.	Collect and collate pre-recorded materials
		and check correct versions and duration
	2.2.	Liaise with relevant colleagues to determine
		the most appropriate replay mechanism or
2. Assemble source		platform
materials	2.3.	Ascertain hardware and software
		availability for duplication and recording
	3.1.	Correctly record voice using a range of
		devices
	3.2.	Correctly prepare an Edit Decision List
		(EDL)
	3.3.	Use appropriate techniques and equipment
3. Duplicate and record		to record sources at different source levels
materials	3.4.	Use correct techniques and equipment to
		complete editing of tracks or cues

	3.5.	Make back-up materials using equipment
		correctly
	4.1.	Check final source material against show
		log
	4.2.	Correctly prepare replay equipment, sound
4. Test and play materials		levels and back-up hardware
on cue	4.3.	Confirm cues with relevant colleagues
	4.4.	Play materials on cue

### **RANGE STATEMENT**

# Replay

- multi-tracking
- music
- sound effects
- voice overs

#### Source materials

- cassette
- CD
- live effects
- musical instruments
- radio and TV broadcasts
- voice

# Replay mechanisms or platforms

- cassette decks
- CD player
- DAT machine
- hard disk recorder
- mini disk player
- PC
- reel-to-reel machines

# ASSESSMENT GUIDELINE

#### Forms of assessment

Assessment of this unit requires access to:

- source materials
- recording and replay devices.

## **Assignment Context**

The assessment context must provide for:

- practical demonstration of skills through the recording and editing of sound effects for use in a live production
- use of industry-current equipment.

# **Critical aspects (for assessment)**

The following evidence is critical to the judgement of competence in this unit:

- ability to correctly use equipment to record and edit source materials for use as audio effects in a live production
- knowledge of recording and replay devices.

#### **Assessment methods**

Assessment may incorporate a range of methods to assess performance and the application of essential underpinning knowledge, and might include:

- evaluation of audio materials compiled/edited by the candidate
- oral or written questioning to assess knowledge of equipment and techniques
- review of portfolios of evidence and third party workplace reports of on-the-job performance by the candidate.

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
optimum recording levels for a range of	literacy skills sufficient to interpret cue
devices	documentation and source materials
operating techniques for different recording	
devices, both digital and analogue	
operating techniques for a range of audio equipment to complete a signal chain	
equipment to complete a signal chain	

safety issues associated with recording material	
copyright, moral rights and intellectual property issues that impacts on the recording and replay of material	
techniques for creation and adaptation of cue sheets	

UNIT TITLE	Solve problems in basic electronic circuits			
DESCRIPTOR	This competency standard unit covers determining correct operation of			
	single source parallel and series-parallel circuits and providing solutions			
	as they apply to various electronic work functions. It encompasses			
	working safely, problem solving procedures, including the use of voltage,			
	current and resistance measuring devices, providing solutions derived			
	from measurements and calculations to predictable problems in multiple			
	path circuit.			
CODE	SOC17S2U17V1 LEVEL 4 CREDIT 12			

ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCIES	PER	RFORMANCE CRITERIA
Prepare to work on electronic	1.1.	OHS procedures related to work
circuits		are understood and followed
	1.2.	The nature of the circuit(s)
		problem is obtained from
		documentation or from work
		supervisor to establish the scope
		of work to be undertaken
	1.3.	Advice is sought from the work
		supervisor to ensure the work is
		co-ordinated effectively with
		others
	1.4.	Tools, equipment and testing
		devices needed to carry out the
		work are obtained and checked
		for correct operation and safety
2. Solve electronic circuit problems	2.1.	The need to test or measure live
		is determined in strict
		accordance with OHS
		requirements and when
		necessary conducted within
		established safety procedures

	2.2.	Circuits are checked as being
		isolated where necessary in strict
		accordance OHS requirements
		and procedures
	2.3.	Established methods are used to
		solving circuit problems from
		measure and calculated values as
		they apply to electronic circuit
	2.4.	Problems are solved without
		unnecessary damage to
		apparatus, circuits, the
		surrounding environment or
		services
3. Complete work and document	3.1.	Work site is cleaned and made
problem solving activities		safe
	3.2.	Justification for solutions used
		to solve circuit problems is
		documented
	3.3.	Work completion is documented
		and an appropriate person or
		persons notified in accordance
		with established procedures

## RANGE STATEMENT

This competency standard unit shall be demonstrated in relation to:

Single source parallel and series-parallel electronic circuits as they apply to operational circuit functions in relation to at least two of the following types of circuit problems and on at least two occasions:

- Determining the operating parameters of an existing circuit
- Altering an existing circuit to comply with specified operating parameters
- Developing circuits to comply with a specified function and operating parameters

## ASSESSMENT GUIDELINE

# **Assignment Context**

This unit should be assessed as it relates to normal work practice using procedures, information and resources typical of a workplace. This should include:

- OHS policy and work procedures and instructions.
- Suitable work environment, facilities, equipment and materials to undertake actual work as prescribed by this competency standard unit.

# **Critical aspects (for assessment)**

candidate is able to:

- Implement Occupational Health and Safety workplace procedures and practices including the use of risk control measures as specified
- Demonstrate an understanding of the essential knowledge and associated skills as described in this unit.
- Solve problems in electronic circuits
- Determine the operating parameters of an existing circuit.
- Alter an existing circuit to comply with specified operating parameters.
- Develop circuits to comply with a specified function and operating parameters.

#### **Assessment methods**

the specified essential knowledge and associated skills are assessed in a structured environment which is primarily intended for learning/assessment and incorporates all necessary equipment and facilities for learners to develop and demonstrate the essential knowledge and skills described in this unit.

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
Basic circuit configurations	understanding of power supplies for
The relationship between variable	electronics circuit principles,
parameter in electrical /electronic	applying safe working practices
circuits	
Behaviour of electrical /electronic	
circuits for various values of voltage,	
current, resistance, impedance,	

- inductance, capacitance and reactance and variable parameters
- Types of voltage testers, multimeters, clamp meters, continuity testers and insulation resistance testers and their application
- Features of testing/measuring devices - safety, user calibration and parameter and range settings
- Connection of test/measuring devices into a circuit encompassing
- Taking readings
- Storage, maintenance and care of test/measuring devices

UNIT TITLE	Repair and maintain audio equipment		
DESCRIPTOR	This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge		
	required to undertake basic repairs to, and maintain, audio equipment		
	and accessories used in the screen, media, entertainment and events		
	industries.		
CODE	SOC17S2U18V1 LEVEL 4 CREDIT 12		

ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCIES	PE	RFORMANCE CRITERIA
Undertake routine maintenance	1.1.	Clean and maintain equipment,
tasks		cables and accessories
	1.2.	Conduct safety checks on
		equipment according to
		manufacturer instructions and
		work health and safety (WHS)
		guidelines
	1.3.	Check and replace spares and
		consumables and ensure
		production equipment is ready,
		and available to productions, at
		specified locations
	1.4.	Complete required
		documentation to ensure
		accurate records of checked and
		maintained items, and provide
		copies to relevant personnel
2. Undertake repair tasks	2.1.	Recognise faults and safely shut
		down equipment if necessary,
		following manufacturer
		instructions
	2.2.	Isolate fault to specific
		equipment or parts of
		equipment using fault detection

		procedures, and determine
		repair requirements
	2.3.	Tag faulty production equipment
	2.4.	Make minor repairs to faulty
		equipment according to safety
		requirements and manufacturer
		instructions and within level of
		own responsibility
	2.5.	Refer complex repairs to
		technical specialists or licensed
		personnel in consultation with
		relevant personnel
	2.6.	Discuss faults and repair needs
		with technical specialists,
		demonstrating correct use of
		terminology
3. Finalise work activity	3.1.	Undertake simple modifications
		to equipment, ensuring current
		safety measures and deadlines
		are met
	3.2.	Review repair and maintenance
		activities to ensure compliance
		with service documentation and
		manuals

# ASSESSMENT GUIDELINE

Assessment must be conducted in a safe environment where evidence gathered demonstrates consistent performance of typical activities in the industry environments. The assessment environment must include access to productions or events with audio equipment.

#### UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

### UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE

- explain typical maintenance needs and schedules for a range of audio equipment
- explain the type of cleaning agents to use with different equipment
- explain techniques and processes for detecting and repairing common faults in audio equipment
- describe common spare parts and sub-assemblies used when maintaining and repairing audio equipment
- explain the consequences of bad ventilation on audio equipment
- explain how the following apply when maintaining and repairing audio equipment:
  - voltage
  - current resistance
  - power insulation
  - circuit continuity
- explain the role of the restricted electrical licence, testing and tagging certification, and limitations on the type of work that can be undertaken without a licence
- describe work health and safety issues related to the repair and maintenance of audio equipment.

#### UNDERPINNING SKILLS

- use appropriate tools to undertake routine repairs and maintenance on audio equipment and accessories
- apply logical fault-detection procedures
- follow safety procedures when testing and maintaining audio equipment
- refer to service and technical manuals when undertaking repair and maintenance tasks
- work collaboratively.