

MSAPMOHS216A – OPERATE BREATHING APPARATUS

This unit covers competence associated with the operation and maintenance of breathing apparatus equipment in an irrespirable atmosphere. It applies to operators who are required to wear breathing apparatus for part of their job - because they are working in a confined space, with hazardous gases/vapours, in an anoxic atmosphere or for other applications requiring the wearing of breathing apparatus.



You will learn about:

- respiratory system, effects of irrespirable atmospheres on the body, protective equipment
- characteristics, component parts, operation of compressed air breathing apparatus
- operational testing, standard operating procedures and safe work practices when wearing breathing apparatus
- operating breathing apparatus
- use of procedures, personal lines and tallies
- pre-use tests and checks, including serviceability of components, integrity of components, cylinder pressure, integrity of air flow system, ancillary equipment.
- breathing apparatus control, including principles of BA Control, organisation procedures, Stage 1 (one entry point), Stage 2 (multiple entry points), entry/exit control point, entry/exit control officer, timing device
- entrapment procedures, including cease all strenuous activity, activate the distress signal unit, remain calm, relocate to safest available place, call for assistance
- communications, including distress signal unit, portable radio, communications sets, signal lines, hand signals.



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Entry Requirements – There are no pre requisites for this course.

Language, literacy and numeracy requirements - This unit requires the ability to interpret any permits or other documentation associated with the wearing of breathing apparatus for the job. Writing is required to the level of completing required workplace reports. Numeracy is required to enable the determination of the available working time from a breathing apparatus set and similar activities.

Duration - Typically this course is conducted in 1/2 day.

Delivery Location - This training can be conducted at either your premises or at our training centre. Where training is held onsite training rooms that can comfortably accommodate the class size are required.

Personal Protective Equipment

- Long work pants and shirt
- Covered shoes
- Other requirements as specified by your workplace or legislation

Assessment - The assessment will consist of written and practical activities and written and practical assessment

Certification - Upon successful completion each participant will receive a nationally recognised statement of attainment for MSAPMOHS216A Operate breathing apparatus.

Cost - Please contact our office on (07) 4779 3667 for information on fees, course dates and a copy of our Candidate Handbook.



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