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VICTORIAN PURCHASING GUIDE – RELEASE HISTORY

Note: RTOs should refer to the [National Register](https://training.gov.au/Home/Tga) for the detail of changes in each Release.

| Training Package Release | Date VPG Approved | Comments |
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| Release 5.0 | 27 January 2023 | This guide reflects a revision to UETDRRF004 Perform rescue from a live LV panel. Note UETDRRF004 is superseded by UETDRMP007 Perform rescue from a live low voltage panel. This amendment applies nominal hours for Victorian funding purposes and is not aligned to a training package revision. |
| Release 5.0 | 28 December 2022 | This guide reflects the release of one (1) unit of competency, UETDRCD001 Work safely around powerlines as an ordinary person, which constitutes Skill set UETSS00055. |
| Release 4.0 | 1 December 2022 | This guide reflects the changes made in release 4.0 of the UET Transmission, Distribution and Rail Sector Training Package  Note the following qualifications:   * UET40422 Certificate IV in ESI – Network Systems * UET40522 Certificate IV in ESI – Substations * UET60222 Advanced Diploma of ESI – Power Systems * UET20321 Certificate II in ESI - Powerline Vegetation Control * UET30621 Certificate III in ESI - Distribution Overhead * UET30821 Certificate III in ESI – Distribution Underground   In addition to the changes made to units for release 4, the following UoC, has been updated from release 2 to 3:   * UETDRIS017 Perform high voltage field switching operation to a given schedule.   Please refer to the Release 4.0 of the UET Transmission, Distribution and Rail Sector [Companion Volume](https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=229bace1-b7bc-4653-9300-dffb13ecfad7) Implementation Guide for further details. |
| Release 3.0 | 11 August 2022 | The purchasing guide reflects the changes made in release 3.0 of the UET Transmission, Distribution and Rail Sector Training Package:   * UET20422 Certificate II in Transmission Line Construction   The following qualification has been removed:   * UET20421 Certificate II in Transmission Structure and Line Assembly   The following qualifications have been updated:   * UET20321 Certificate II in ESI - Powerline Vegetation Control * UET30521 Certificate III in ESI - Transmission Overhead * UET30721 Certificate III in ESI - Rail Traction * UET50221 Diploma of ESI - Power Systems * UET50321 Diploma of ESI - Power Systems Operations   The following Units of Competency have been added:   * UETDRTO015 Assemble and erect transmission structures * UETDRTO016 Install transmission structure hardware * UETDRTO017 String overhead transmission conductors   The following Units of Competency have been removed:   * UETDRTO001 Erect power systems transmission structure hardware * UETDRTO002 Erect power systems transmission structures * UETDRTO013 - Pre-tension stringing overhead transmission conductors and cables   The following Units of Competency have been deleted:   * UETDRTO003 Establish and reinstate a power systems transmission structure work site * UETDRTO014 Set-up and install transmission structure stubs   The following Unit of Competency has been updated:   * UETDRIS017 Perform high voltage field switching operation to a given schedule.   Please refer to the Release 3.0 of the UET Transmission, Distribution and Rail Sector [Companion Volume](https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=229bace1-b7bc-4653-9300-dffb13ecfad7) Implementation Guide for further details. |
| Release 2.0 | 22 November 2021 | This Victorian Purchasing Guide reflects Release 2.0 for the UET  Transmission, Distribution and Rail Sector Training Package and  consists of:   * Qualifications: * Fourteen (14) transitioned and updated from Release 1.0 * Two (2) deleted due to zero enrolments. * Units of competency: * Six (6) new units * One hundred and fifty-six (156) transitioned from Release 1.0 * Thirty-three (33) units with no change * Thirty-four (34) units deleted including twenty-seven (27) due to zero enrolments |
| Release 1.0 | 16 October  2019 | This is the first release of this Training Package.  This release of UET updates all qualifications and units of competency to the 2012 Standards for Training Packages  Supersedes UET12 Transmission, Distribution and Rail Sector Training  Package Release 2.1 |

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INTRODUCTION

What is a Victorian Purchasing Guide?

The Victorian Purchasing Guide provides information for use by Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) in the provision of Victorian government subsidised training.

Specifically, the Victorian Purchasing Guide provides the following information related to the delivery of nationally endorsed Training Packages in Victoria:

* The maximum and minimum payable hours available for each qualification.
* Nominal hours for each unit of competency within the Training Package.

Registration

RTOs must be registered by either the Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority (VRQA) or the Australian Skills Qualification Authority (ASQA) regulatory body to be eligible to issue qualifications and Statements of Attainment under the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF).

The VRQA is the regulatory authority in Victoria responsible for the registration of Vocational Education and Training (VET) providers who offer courses to domestic students in Victoria only.

ASQA is the regulatory authority responsible for the registration of VET providers who offer training in Victoria, nationally and / or internationally.

Transition

The relationship between new units and any superseded or replaced units from the previous version of UEG Gas Industry Training Package Release 4.0 is provided in the Training Package Companion Volume Implementation Guide. (See [VETnet.gov.au](https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=9fc2cf53-e570-4e9f-ad6a-b228ffdb6875) for more information).

Information regarding transition arrangements can be obtained from the state or national VET Regulatory Authority (see Contacts and Links section).

RTOs must ensure that all training and assessment leading to issuance of qualifications or Statements of Attainment from the UEG Gas Industry Training Package Release 4.0 is conducted against the Training Package units of competency and complies with the assessment requirements.

# QUALIFICATIONS

| Code | Title | Minimum Payable Hours | Maximum Payable Hours |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| UET20321 | Certificate II in ESI - Powerline Vegetation Control | 323 | 340 |
| UET20422 | Certificate II in Transmission Line Construction | 595 | 626 |
| UET20621 | Certificate II in ESI - Asset Inspection and Testing | 280 | 295 |
| UET30521 | Certificate III in ESI - Transmission Overhead | 1032 | 1086 |
| UET30621 | Certificate III in ESI - Distribution Overhead | 1064 | 1120 |
| UET30721 | Certificate III in ESI - Rail Traction | 1435 | 1511 |
| UET30821 | Certificate III in ESI - Distribution Underground | 1040 | 1095 |
| UET30921 | Certificate III in ESI - Very Remote Community Utilities | 1093 | 1150 |
| UET40422 | Certificate IV in ESI - Network Systems | 352 | 370 |
| UET40522 | Certificate IV in ESI - Substations | 618 | 650 |
| UET60222 | Advanced Diploma of ESI - Power Systems | 798 | 840 |

# UNITS OF COMPETENCY AND NOMINAL HOURS

| Unit Code | Unit Title | Nominal Hours |
| --- | --- | --- |
| UETDRAI001 | Inspect and test poles at and below ground level | 20 |
| UETDRAI002 | Inspect poles, hardware and electrical apparatus | 30 |
| UETDRAI003 | Perform minor maintenance on electricity network assets | 40 |
| UETDRAI004 | Treat poles | 20 |
| UETDRAI005 | Use asset inspection equipment | 40 |
| UETDRCD001 | Work safely around powerlines as an ordinary person | 40 |
| UETDRDO001 | Inspect overhead poles, structures and electrical apparatus | 60 |
| UETDRDO003 | Maintain energised high voltage distribution overhead electrical apparatus (glove and barrier) | 70 |
| UETDRDO004 | Maintain energised high voltage distribution overhead electrical apparatus (stick) | 70 |
| UETDRDO005 | Maintain overhead energised low voltage distribution network | 60 |
| UETDRDO006 | Maintain, test and verify distribution overhead network | 40 |
| UETDRDS015 | Assess distributed energy resource connections to a distribution network | 100 |
| UETDRDS016 | Coordinate and perform line and easement surveys | 40 |
| UETDRDS017 | Design customer substations | 100 |
| UETDRDS018 | Design distribution protection systems | 50 |
| UETDRDS019 | Design distribution substations | 60 |
| UETDRDS020 | Design overhead distribution systems | 60 |
| UETDRDS021 | Design public lighting systems | 60 |
| UETDRDS022 | Design underground distribution systems | 60 |
| UETDRDS023 | Draft and layout distribution substation minor upgrade | 40 |
| UETDRDS024 | Draft and layout overhead distribution extension | 40 |
| UETDRDS025 | Draft and layout street lighting system | 40 |
| UETDRDS026 | Draft and layout underground distribution extension | 40 |
| UETDRDS027 | Investigate quality of supply issues | 90 |
| UETDRDS028 | Prepare and manage construction plans for electrical infrastructure | 60 |
| UETDRDU001 | Conduct high voltage testing of underground power cable system | 60 |
| UETDRDU002 | Inspect underground electrical apparatus | 30 |
| UETDRDU007 | Install and maintain underground public lighting | 40 |
| UETDRDU009 | Install, test and verify distribution underground cable installations | 40 |
| UETDRDU010 | Joint, terminate and maintain energised low voltage underground paper insulated cable | 60 |
| UETDRDU011 | Joint, terminate and maintain energised low voltage underground polymeric cable | 60 |
| UETDRDU012 | Joint, terminate and maintain high voltage underground paper insulated cable | 60 |
| UETDRDU013 | Joint, terminate and maintain high voltage underground polymeric cable | 60 |
| UETDRDU014 | Joint, terminate and maintain low voltage underground paper insulated cable | 60 |
| UETDRDU015 | Joint, terminate and maintain low voltage underground polymeric cable | 60 |
| UETDRDU016 | Lay power cables | 20 |
| UETDRDU017 | Locate faults in underground power cables | 65 |
| UETDRDU019 | Transition joint high voltage paper insulated cable to high voltage polymeric cable | 60 |
| UETDRDU020 | Joint, terminate and maintain gas and oil filled underground cables | 40 |
| UETDRDU021 | Joint, terminate and maintain underground polymeric cable 33kV and above | 40 |
| UETDRDU022 | Maintain gas and oil pressure systems for underground cables | 40 |
| UETDREL001 | Apply environmental requirements | 40 |
| UETDREL002 | Comply with environmental requirements | 40 |
| UETDREL003 | Identify and apply controls for alternate supplies on the distribution network | 30 |
| UETDREL004 | Operate plant and equipment in the vicinity of live electrical apparatus | 40 |
| UETDREL005 | Work safely in the vicinity of live electrical apparatus | 20 |
| UETDREL006 | Work safely in the vicinity of live electrical apparatus as a non-electrical worker | 40 |
| UETDRIS007 | Install and maintain distribution overhead conductors and cables | 60 |
| UETDRIS008 | Install and maintain electrical apparatus | 60 |
| UETDRIS010 | Install and maintain low voltage overhead services | 40 |
| UETDRIS011 | Install and maintain low voltage underground services | 40 |
| UETDRIS012 | Install and maintain poles, structures and hardware | 60 |
| UETDRIS013 | Install and maintain public lighting systems | 40 |
| UETDRIS014 | Install and replace energy meters and associated equipment | 60 |
| UETDRIS015 | Install low voltage mobile generator | 60 |
| UETDRIS017 | Perform high voltage field switching operation to a given schedule | 40 |
| UETDRIS018 | Perform low voltage field switching operation to a given schedule | 40 |
| UETDRIS020 | Contribute to coordinated HV live work | 30 |
| UETDRIS021 | Coordinate and direct switching programs | 40 |
| UETDRIS022 | Coordinate permit procedures | 40 |
| UETDRIS023 | Develop and validate high voltage distribution switching programs | 40 |
| UETDRIS024 | Develop and validate low voltage distribution switching programs | 40 |
| UETDRIS025 | Diagnose and resolve faults in distribution systems | 40 |
| UETDRIS026 | Diagnose and resolve faults in electrical apparatus | 60 |
| UETDRIS027 | Diagnose and resolve faults in transmission systems | 60 |
| UETDRIS028 | Implement and monitor environmental policies and procedures | 30 |
| UETDRIS029 | Implement and monitor organisational WHS/OHS policies, procedures and programs | 30 |
| UETDRIS030 | Install high voltage mobile generator | 30 |
| UETDRIS031 | Maintain insulating oil | 15 |
| UETDRIS032 | Solve problems in network equipment | 40 |
| UETDRIS033 | Solve problems in network protection | 40 |
| UETDRMP001 | Apply access authority procedures to work on or near electrical apparatus | 6 |
| UETDRMP002 | ESI safety rules for work on, near or in the vicinity of electrical apparatus | 4 |
| UETDRMP003 | Perform cable pit/trench/excavation rescue | 6 |
| UETDRMP004 | Perform elevated work platform controlled descent escape | 6 |
| UETDRMP005 | Perform elevated work platform rescue | 6 |
| UETDRMP006 | Perform pole top rescue | 6 |
| UETDRMP007 | Perform rescue from a live low voltage panel | 6 |
| UETDRMP008 | Perform rescue from switchyard structures | 6 |
| UETDRMP009 | Perform tower rescue | 12 |
| UETDRMP010 | Provide first aid in an ESI environment | 6 |
| UETDRMP011 | Testing of connections to low voltage electricity networks | 16 |
| UETDRMP012 | Working on Energised Low Voltage Overhead Electrical Apparatus | 20 |
| UETDRMP013 | Working on Energised Low Voltage Underground Electrical Apparatus | 20 |
| UETDRRC001 | Install and maintain low voltage overhead services in a very remote community | 40 |
| UETDRRC002 | Install and maintain low voltage underground services in a very remote community | 40 |
| UETDRRC003 | Install and maintain public lighting systems in a very remote community | 40 |
| UETDRRC004 | Install and replace energy meters and associated equipment in a very remote community | 50 |
| UETDRRC005 | Maintain, test and verify power systems in a very remote community | 80 |
| UETDRRC006 | Perform low voltage electricity network switching in a very remote community | 40 |
| UETDRRC007 | Solve problems in electrical network apparatus in a very remote community | 80 |
| UETDRRC008 | Solve problems in low voltage electrical network circuits in a very remote community | 80 |
| UETDRRF004 | Perform rescue from a live LV panel | 6 |
| UETDRRT001 | Install overhead rail traction configurations | 60 |
| UETDRRT002 | Install overhead traction components and equipment | 60 |
| UETDRRT003 | Install rail traction bonds | 40 |
| UETDRRT004 | Install traction overhead wiring systems | 60 |
| UETDRRT008 | Maintain overhead rail traction configurations | 60 |
| UETDRRT009 | Maintain overhead traction components and equipment | 60 |
| UETDRRT010 | Maintain rail traction bonds | 60 |
| UETDRRT011 | Maintain traction overhead wiring systems | 60 |
| UETDRRT012 | Operate rail road height access plant near rail traction systems | 25 |
| UETDRRT013 | Perform rail traction switching operations to a given schedule | 40 |
| UETDRRT014 | Test and verify rail traction installations | 40 |
| UETDRRT015 | Maintain energised rail traction networks | 80 |
| UETDRSB001 | Perform substation switching operations to a given schedule | 40 |
| UETDRSB002 | Commission and maintain discrete control and protection systems | 30 |
| UETDRSB003 | Commission and maintain distribution field devices | 30 |
| UETDRSB004 | Conduct surveys using thermovision techniques | 20 |
| UETDRSB005 | Diagnose and resolve faults in a substation environment | 20 |
| UETDRSB006 | Inspect substations | 20 |
| UETDRSB007 | Install and maintain substation direct current systems | 20 |
| UETDRSB008 | Install high current d.c. equipment and switchgear | 30 |
| UETDRSB009 | Install high voltage plant and equipment | 30 |
| UETDRSB010 | Maintain capacitor bank equipment | 20 |
| UETDRSB011 | Maintain high current d.c. equipment and switchgear | 30 |
| UETDRSB012 | Maintain high voltage circuit breakers | 20 |
| UETDRSB013 | Maintain on-load tap changers (OLTC) | 30 |
| UETDRSB014 | Maintain power and instrument transformers | 20 |
| UETDRSB015 | Maintain static var compensators (SVC) | 30 |
| UETDRSB016 | Maintain synchronous condensers | 30 |
| UETDRSO012 | Coordinate and manage distribution and sub-transmission network access and activities | 80 |
| UETDRSO013 | Coordinate and manage transmission network access and activities | 80 |
| UETDRSO014 | Coordinate operations in a regulated energy market | 100 |
| UETDRSO015 | Develop and validate distribution and sub-transmission switching programs | 60 |
| UETDRSO016 | Develop and validate low voltage switching programs | 60 |
| UETDRSO017 | Develop and validate transmission switching programs | 60 |
| UETDRSO018 | Dispatch and monitor field staff activities | 60 |
| UETDRSO019 | Manage supply and demand in distribution and sub-transmission networks | 100 |
| UETDRSO020 | Operate SCADA equipment | 80 |
| UETDRSO021 | Respond to protection operations | 140 |
| UETDRTO004 | Inspect and maintain transmission overhead network | 40 |
| UETDRTO005 | Inspect transmission structures, conductors and hardware | 60 |
| UETDRTO006 | Install and maintain transmission conductors | 60 |
| UETDRTO007 | Install and maintain transmission structures and hardware | 100 |
| UETDRTO010 | Maintain energised transmission lines using barehand techniques from a helicopter | 60 |
| UETDRTO011 | Maintain energised transmission lines using live work barehand techniques | 70 |
| UETDRTO012 | Maintain energised transmission lines using live work stick techniques | 70 |
| UETDRTO015 | Assemble and erect transmission structures | 50 |
| UETDRTO016 | Install transmission structure hardware | 30 |
| UETDRTO017 | String overhead transmission conductors | 40 |
| UETDRTS028 | Calibrate, verify and certify revenue metering/energy measurement instruments | 40 |
| UETDRTS029 | Commission and maintain communication equipment | 60 |
| UETDRTS030 | Commission and maintain complex energy/revenue metering schemes | 60 |
| UETDRTS031 | Commission and maintain energy/revenue metering schemes | 30 |
| UETDRTS032 | Commission and maintain metering schemes | 40 |
| UETDRTS033 | Commission and maintain network protection and control systems | 60 |
| UETDRTS034 | Commission and maintain voltage regulating equipment | 40 |
| UETDRTS035 | Conduct evaluation of network protection and control system faults | 60 |
| UETDRTS036 | Develop secondary protection and control scheme isolation and restoration documents | 40 |
| UETDRTS037 | Maintain and calibrate protection relays and meters | 40 |
| UETDRTS038 | Perform accuracy checks on instrument transformers | 40 |
| UETDRTS039 | Perform current injection testing of secondary devices | 40 |
| UETDRVC001 | Apply work health and safety requirements for powerline vegetation control | 20 |
| UETDRVC002 | Assess vegetation in an electricity supply industry environment | 50 |
| UETDRVC003 | Control vegetation for powerline work | 40 |
| UETDRVC004 | Control vegetation in the vicinity of live electrical apparatus from an elevated work platform | 45 |
| UETDRVC005 | Control vegetation in the vicinity of live electrical apparatus from ground level | 45 |
| UETDRVC006 | Control vegetation in the vicinity of live electrical apparatus from within the tree | 50 |
| UETDRVC007 | Control vegetation using pruning techniques | 50 |
| UETDRVC009 | Monitor vegetation control work in the vicinity of live electrical apparatus | 50 |
| UETDRVC010 | Perform rescue from within a tree in the vicinity of live electrical apparatus | 20 |
| UETDRVC011 | Use specialised plant to cut vegetation above ground in the vicinity of live electrical apparatus | 30 |
| UETDRVC012 | Coordinate vegetation control operations | 40 |

# CONTACTS AND LINKS

Curriculum Maintenance Manager (CMM) Service

**Engineering Industries**

The CMM Service is provided on behalf of Higher Education and Skills.

CMM Service Executive Officers can assist with questions on payable and nominal hours.

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Service Skills Organisation (SSO) – Australian Industry Standards (AIS)

Australian Industry Standards is responsible for developing the UET Transmission, Distribution and Rail Sector Training Package and can be contacted for further information.

Address: Level 2, 31 Market Street, South Melbourne

Phone: (03) 9604 7200

Email: <https://www.australianindustrystandards.org.au/contact-us/>

Website: <http://www.australianindustrystandards.org.au/>

National Register of VET in Australia - Training.gov.au (TGA)

TGA is the Australian government’s official National Register of information on Training Packages, qualifications, courses, units of competency and RTOs. See [training.gov.au](http://training.gov.au/) for more information.

Australian Government - Department of Employment and Workplace Relations (DEWR)

The Commonwealth Department is responsible for national policies and programmes that help Australians access quality vocational education and training. See [Skills and Training - DEWR](https://www.dese.gov.au/skills-and-training) for more information.

State Government - Department of Education and Training (DET)

DET is the State Training Authority responsible for supporting implementation of Vocational Education and Training (VET) in Victoria. See [education.vic.gov.au](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/) for more information. (03) 9637 2000

National VET Regulatory Authority - Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA)

ASQA is the national regulator for Australia’s VET sector. Info line: 1300 701 801 See [asqa.gov.au](http://www.asqa.gov.au/) for more information.

State VET Regulatory Authority - Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority (VRQA)

The VRQA is a statutory authority responsible for the registration and regulation of Victorian RTOs and for the regulation of apprenticeships and traineeships in Victoria. (03) 9637 2806 See [vrqa.vic.gov.au](http://www.vrqa.vic.gov.au/)

# INDUSTRY REGULATORY BODIES

WorkSafe Victoria

The industry Regulatory body can provide advice on licensing, legislative or regulatory requirements which may impact on the delivery of training or the issuance of qualifications in this Training Package.

WorkSafe needs to provide written verification before high risk work units can be added to an RTO’s scope of registration. [info@worksafe.vic.gov.au](mailto:info@worksafe.vic.gov.auS) See [worksafe.vic.gov.au](http://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/) for further information.

222 Exhibition Street,

Melbourne 3000

(03) 9641 1444 or

1800 136 089 (toll free)

[info@worksafe.vic.gov.au](mailto:info@worksafe.vic.gov.au)

See [worksafe.vic.gov.au](http://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/) for further information.

Energy Safe Victoria (ESV)

The industry Regulatory body can provide advice on licensing, legislative or regulatory requirements which may impact on the delivery of training or the issuance of qualifications in this Training Package.

Level 5, 4 Riverside Quay, Southbank VIC 3006

(03) 9203 9700 or

1800 800 158 (free call)

[info@energysafe.vic.gov.au](mailto:info@energysafe.vic.gov.au)

See <https://esv.vic.gov.au/> for further information.

# GLOSSARY

**Code** Nationally endorsed Training Package qualification code.

**Title** Nationally endorsed Training Package qualification title.

**Unit Code** Nationally endorsed Training Package unit code.

**Unit Title** Nationally endorsed Training Package unit title.

**Maximum Payable Hours** The maximum number of hours the Victorian Government will subsidise under Skills First funding for the achievement of the minimum realistic vocational outcome of the qualification, as determined by the qualification packaging rules. The Maximum Payable Hours do not cover every possible combination of core and elective units available for a specific qualification.

Minimum payable hours reflect a calculated minimum number of hours that could deliver a minimum realistic vocational outcome, based on efficiencies of contextualisation and integration.

**Scope of Registration** Scope of registration specifies the AQF qualifications and/or units of competency the training organisation is registered to issue and the industry training and/or assessment services it is registered to provide.

**Nominal Hours** Nominal hours reflect the anticipated time taken to deliver and assess the outcomes of a unit of competency excluding unsupervised delivery or the time taken for repeated practical application of skills. Nominal hours are determined by the Victorian State Training Authority (DET) and are primarily developed for funding purposes in Victoria.