

Sporting Events: Safety Awareness

**SCQF** level 4

Unit Code: F998 10

10 hour Unit

# What is this Unit about?

In this Unit you will develop the necessary knowledge, understanding, and the practical skills to be able understand relevant health and safety, aspects of personal safety and to assist with carrying out basic safety assessment at sporting events.

## What should I know or be able to do before I start?

No prior experience required before you begin this Unit. Experience in sporting events and carrying out basic safety assessments would be beneficial.

## What do I need to do?

#### You will need to carry out each of the following tasks:

#### Task 1

Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of procedures relating to health and safety at sporting events.

- Identify the basic health and safety requirements for sporting events.
- Identify types of safety equipment used by you at sporting events.
- Describe the health and safety, and the types of equipment used by you at sporting events.
- Explain the basic principles of crowd control.

#### Task 2

Undertake a basic risk assessment in a sporting event venue.

- Identify risks and hazards.
- Identify control measures.
- Complete a basic risk assessment.

## How do I get this Unit?

You will need to complete the following for you to get this Unit:

- Learn about the relevant, basic health and safety requirements you will be encountering at sporting events.
- Learn about what types of equipment you will be using at sporting events. Equipment such as: safety, security etc.
- Describe relevant health and safety and equipment used at sporting events.
- Explain the basic principles of crowd control.
- With assistance, carry out a basic risk assessment.

# What might this involve?

Here are examples of some things you might do:

- Answer six questions relating to health and safety, and personal equipment.
- Answer one question relating to basic principles of crowd control.
- With assistance, carry out a basic risk assessment.

## What can I do next?

- Complete other Units within the group award:
  - Sporting Events: Volunteering
  - Sporting Events: Volunteering Experience
  - Sporting Events: Equality and Diversity in Sport
  - Sporting Events: Customer Care
  - Sporting Events: Accidents and Emergencies
  - Sporting Events: Conflict Resolution
  - Sporting Events: Volunteering Teams
- Make use of knowledge gained in this Unit when undertaking volunteering at sporting events.

# **Guidance for tutors**

This Unit is intended to introduce candidates to the safety side of sporting events and public venues. It also allows candidates to learn about the health and safety for sporting events. Candidates will learn about the necessary personal equipment used.

With assistance candidates will carry out a basic risk assessment.

Practical role play tasks in prepared scenarios should feature in the learning and teaching programme, to emphasise aspects of health and safety in a sporting event.

For Task 1, candidates will identify the relevant health and safety requirements for sporting events. Candidates will also have to identify what personal equipment they will use:

- Health and safety: HSE (Health and Safety Executive), hazard/safety warning signs, PPE (Personal Protective Equipment), RIDDOR (Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations), formal information and instructions. This list is not exhaustive.
- Personal equipment: PPE (Personal Protective Equipment), safety, security, emergency, signs and notices. This list is not exhaustive.

Candidates will also need to understand the basic principles of crowd control and identifying situations where potential incidents may occur. This aspect of the Task may be integrated with the Unit *Sporting Events: Conflict Resolution*.

For Task 2, candidates are required to identify risks, hazards and control measures before contributing to an overall risk assessment of an aspect/specific area of a sporting event before and during the sporting event. This can include, checking facilities or a specific area for basic health and safety aspects, such as:

- dealing with rubbish and checking rubbish bins for suspected objects
- suspected objects elsewhere at the sporting event
- checking facility doors are locked/unlocked
- checking rooms for suspicious objects
- relevant safety and emergency equipment is in place and not been tampered with, eg fire extinguishers, first aid kits
- crowd safety the '3 Ds' Dynamics, Density and Distress

This list is not exhaustive.

Candidates will need to demonstrate they can complete a basic report form. This can be done as an individual or a group task.

This Unit may form part of a Group Award in Sporting Events: Personal Best but can be offered on a standalone basis.

# **Core Skills**

There is no automatic certification of Core Skills or Core Skill components in this Unit, aspects of the Core Skill *Working with Others* may be signposted.

# Disabled candidates and/or those with additional support needs

The additional support needs of individual candidates should be taken into account when planning learning experiences, selecting assessment instruments, or considering whether any reasonable adjustments may be required.

Further advice can be found in SQA's web pages (www.sqa.org.uk)



### Administrative information

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