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Performance Criteria

You must be able to

Coordinate and control the use of weighbridges

- check the weighbridge(s) according to an agreed schedule and confirm that the weighbridge(s) are operating correctly
- 2. identify and address any faults affecting a weighbridge's operational effectiveness and safety
- 3. establish usage requirements
- 4. identify the resources necessary to meet usage requirements
- 5. confirm that the resources are available and coordinate these
- 6. provide clear instructions and information to relevant colleagues necessary to ensure the availability of the weighbridge(s) when required
- 7. ensure that the weighbridge(s) are operated in line with organisational procedures
- 8. identify maintenance requirements and arrange for these to be undertaken according to an agreed schedule

Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand

- 1. the legal responsibilities for maintaining own and others' health and safety in your workplace
- 2. the requirements placed upon the individual and the organisation by current legislation, directions and bye-laws
- 3. current industry guidance
- 4. own organisation's policies, procedures and working practices
- 5. the principle types of hazard and risk likely to encountered
- 6. the precautions appropriate for minimising risks
- 7. how to correctly wear, use and maintain personal protective equipment
- 8. how to locate, correctly use and maintain the principle types of safety and incident response equipment
- 9. the accident and emergency procedures of the organisation
- 10. location of and how to operate alarm systems
- 11. procedures for contacting the emergency services
- 12. location of the approved escape routes and assembly points
- 13. the responsibilities as set out by the organisation for reporting accidents and emergencies
- 14. own role, responsibilities and limits of authority
- 15. the roles, responsibilities and limits of authority of others
- 16. the dimensions, limitations and maintenance requirements of: weighbridges
- 17. how to operate the principal types of plant and equipment found in own area of operations and what their limitations are

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- 18. the possible consequences of operating poorly serviced or unsafe plant or equipment
- 19. how to conduct safe, routine maintenance of the plant and equipment, including pre-start maintenance requirements, operating procedures, defects and faults, and the correct use of lubricants and other fluids

Additional Information

This standard is applicable to the coordination and control and use of weighbridges and links to the planning and coordination of routine maintenance of port plant and equipment and the coordination and control of lock and bridge operations.

The performance criteria, knowledge and understanding requirements are related to the individual's own organisation, job role and area of operations. This includes but is not limited to the individual's immediate place of work. It extends to areas, operations and persons that may be impacted upon by the individual's activity in the workplace.

The performance criteria, knowledge and understanding requirements are specific to the: regulations, industry and other guidance recognised by the individual's employer, employing organisation's objectives, policies, procedures, and working practices; that relate to the elements covered in this standard.

The performance criteria, knowledge and understanding requirements are specific to the individual's own level of authority and responsibility.

Ports and the activities which take place there vary. Employers and any other duty holders must comply with the legal duties imposed on them by health and safety legislation, including the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974. This will also involve careful and continuing risk assessments to enable duty holders to plan, implement, manage and review policies and procedures which address the risks associated with the conduct of their business. The statutory duty of the employee to take reasonable care for the health and safety of themselves and other persons who may be affected by their acts or omissions at work and to cooperate with the employer with regard to the employer's health and safety duties, are an essential part of this standard.