

Unit ID: 1779	
<b>Domain</b>	<b>FIREFIGHTING AND RESCUE OPERATIONS</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Establish incident command</b>
<b>Level: 4</b>	<b>Credits: 4</b>

### **Purpose**

This unit standard specifies the competencies required to be able to establish incident command. People credited with this unit standard are able to: Describe the process of establishing an incident command and Set up incident command. This unit standard is intended for those who work in firefighting and rescue operations.

### **Special Notes**

1. Entry information:
  - Prerequisite
    - Grade 12 or equivalent
2. This unit standard is to be assessed in the context of firefighting and rescue operations and should be assessed in conjunction with other relevant technical unit standards selected from this domain.
3. Assessment evidence may be collected at a real workplace or an appropriate simulated realistic environment in which electrical operations are carried out.
4. Glossary of terms:
  - 'SANS' refers to South Africa National Standards
  - 'NFPA' refers to National Fire Protection Association
  - 'ANSI' American National Standards Institute
  - 'SOP' Standard Operational Procedures
  - 'SOG' Standard Operational Guidelines
5. Performance of all elements in this unit standard must comply with firefighting industry standards and workplace requirements.
6. Regulations and legislation relevant to this unit standard include the following:
  - Labour Act No. 11 of 2007
  - Occupational Health and Safety Regulations No. 18, 1997 and all subsequent amendments
  - Applicable Organizational and Authorities personnel Rules
  - Conditions of Service and relevant SOP and SOG
  - ISO 14001 (Environmental Management Standard)
  - The Local Fire Brigade Services Act, Act No 5 of 2006 and all subsequent amendments to any of the above.

## **Quality Assurance Requirements**

This unit standard and others within this subfield may be awarded by institutions which meet the accreditation requirements set by the Namibia Qualifications Authority and the Namibia Training Authority and which comply with the national assessment and moderation requirements. Details of specific accreditation requirements and the national assessment arrangements are available from the Namibia Qualifications Authority on [www.namqa.org](http://www.namqa.org) and the Namibia Training Authority on [www.nta.com.na](http://www.nta.com.na).

## **Elements and Performance Criteria**

### **Element 1: Describe the process of establishing an incident command**

#### **Performance Criteria**

- 1.1 Importance of incident command is explained.
- 1.2 Means and ways to prevent firefighter injuries and illnesses are explained in accordance with workplace requirements
- 1.3 Emergency scene preparedness and scene safety are explained in accordance with workplace requirements.
- 1.4 The process of establishing an incident command is explained.

### **Element 2: Set up incident command**

#### **Performance Criteria**

- 2.1 Risks and hazards associated with the emergency to the public, to oneself and the team as well as the environment are determined and appropriate information are correctly, accurately and timeously communicated to all relevant parties and the emergency telecommunications centre.
- 2.2 All communications necessary for safe, efficient and effective operations at the emergency scene are effected in accordance with workplace requirements.
- 2.3 The emergency work area is cordoned off in accordance with relevant regulations and workplace requirements.
- 2.4 Traffic and mob is controlled in accordance with SOP.
- 2.5 Emergency crew is appropriately briefed on their assignment according to workplace procedures.
- 2.6 Emergency crew is evaluated on their assignment according to workplace procedures.

**Registration Data**

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