

# Safety Inspector

ANZSCO: 312611

Group C

## About this document

- The following Information Sheet is for your reference only and should be used as a guide to assist with your Skills Assessment application to VETASSESS. This information is subject to change.
- Please note that a Skills Assessment of the qualification involves assessment of both the qualification level and content. Qualifications are assessed according to the guidelines published by the Australian Government Department of Education.
- The employment assessment involves determining the skill level and relevance of the tasks undertaken.
- Integrity checks may be conducted to verify the qualification and employment claims made in an application.

## Job description

Safety Inspector inspects machines, equipment, working conditions and public places to ensure compliance with government and industry standards and regulations, in relation to occupational health and safety.

## Occupations considered suitable under this ANZSCO code:

- Boilers and Pressure Vessels Inspector
- Gas Examiner
- Lifts and Cranes Inspector
- Mines Inspector
- Occupational Health and Safety Inspector

# Safety Inspector is a VETASSESS Group C occupation

This occupation requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the educational level of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Diploma or higher.

Applicants must have fulfilled at least one of the following four criteria (1-4):

GROUP C		Criteria for a positive Skills Assessment			
		Post-qualification Pathways			
	Minimum comparable Diploma or higher AQF level	With highly relevant major field of study	Additional highly relevant qualifications	Highly relevant employment duration	
1		+		+	N/A
2		+	No highly relevant major	 Minimum AQF Certificate IV level with highly relevant major	+
3		+	No highly relevant major	+	No additional highly relevant qualifications
4		+	 Within last 5 years	+	
Pre-qualification Pathway					
	Highly Relevant employment duration				Minimum comparable Diploma or higher AQF level
4		+		+	

## Description of Pathways

The information below describes the available pathways for a Skills Assessment under **Group C**. Please note that in order to achieve a successful Skills Assessment Outcome, a suitable assessment for both qualifications and employment is required.

### Pathway 1

This pathway requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the education level of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Diploma or higher and in a field highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

Diploma or higher includes AQF Advanced Diploma, Associate Degree, Bachelor Degree, Graduate Diploma, Master Degree or Doctoral Degree.

In addition, it is essential for applicants to meet the following employment criteria:

- at least **one** year of post-qualification employment at an appropriate skill level, undertaken in the last five years,
- working 20 hours or more per week, and
- highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

### Pathway 2

This pathway requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the education level of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Diploma or higher and in a field not highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

Diploma or higher includes AQF Advanced Diploma, Associate Degree, Bachelor Degree, Graduate Diploma, Master Degree or Doctoral Degree.

An additional qualification in a highly relevant field of study at a minimum AQF Certificate IV level is required. Additional qualifications in a highly relevant field of study include those comparable to the AQF Certificate IV.

In addition, it is essential for applicants to meet the following employment criteria:

- at least **one** year of post-qualification employment at an appropriate skill level, undertaken in the last five years,
- working 20 hours or more per week, and
- highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

### Pathway 3

This pathway requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the education level of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Diploma or higher and in a field not highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

Diploma or higher includes AQF Advanced Diploma, Associate Degree, Bachelor Degree, Graduate Diploma, Master Degree or Doctoral Degree.

In addition, it is essential for applicants to meet the following employment criteria:

- at least **two** years of post-qualification employment at an appropriate skill level, undertaken in the last five years,
- working 20 hours or more per week, and
- highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

### Pathway 4

This pathway requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the education level of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Diploma or higher with or without a highly relevant major field of study to the nominated occupation.

Diploma or higher includes AQF Advanced Diploma, Associate Degree, Bachelor Degree, Graduate Diploma, Master Degree or Doctoral Degree.

In addition, it is essential for applicants to meet the following employment criteria:

- at least **four** years of employment at an appropriate skill level that includes at least **one** year of highly relevant employment within the last five years before applying,
- working 20 hours or more per week, and
- highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

# Qualification

Relevant fields of study may include (but are not limited to):

- Occupational Health and Safety
- Work Health and Safety

Consideration can be made on a case-by-case basis for the qualification major to be relevant if it is related to the subsequent employment context and if the employment assessment is considered highly relevant and assessed positively.

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## Employment Criteria

Highly relevant tasks include, but are not limited to:

- Examining equipment specifications, and inspecting and testing machines, equipment and clothing to ensure compliance with safety standards and serviceability
- Inspecting factories and other work sites to ensure compliance with government and industry standards and regulations
- Observing workers to ensure protective devices are being utilised according to regulations and that combustible and other hazardous materials are used and stored in accordance with approved procedures
- Conducting tests in work areas to detect toxic fumes, explosive gas-air mixtures and other work hazards
- Ensuring fire prevention equipment and other safety supplies, such as first aid kits, stretchers and blankets, conform to standards
- Assisting in conducting safety meetings and campaigns, and organising training in general safety principles in keeping with regulations
- Advising organisations on ways to comply with occupational health and safety legislative requirements
- Investigating incidents and fatalities, to determine causes and to collect evidence of non-compliance with occupational health and safety legislation

Additional tasks may include:

- Inspects public places and working conditions, investigates accidents, studies causes and recommends action
- Inspects insured buildings, vehicles and commercial and industrial establishments to evaluate conditions and practices affecting insurance risk and to develop safety programs
- May report unsafe conditions and careless actions of workers

