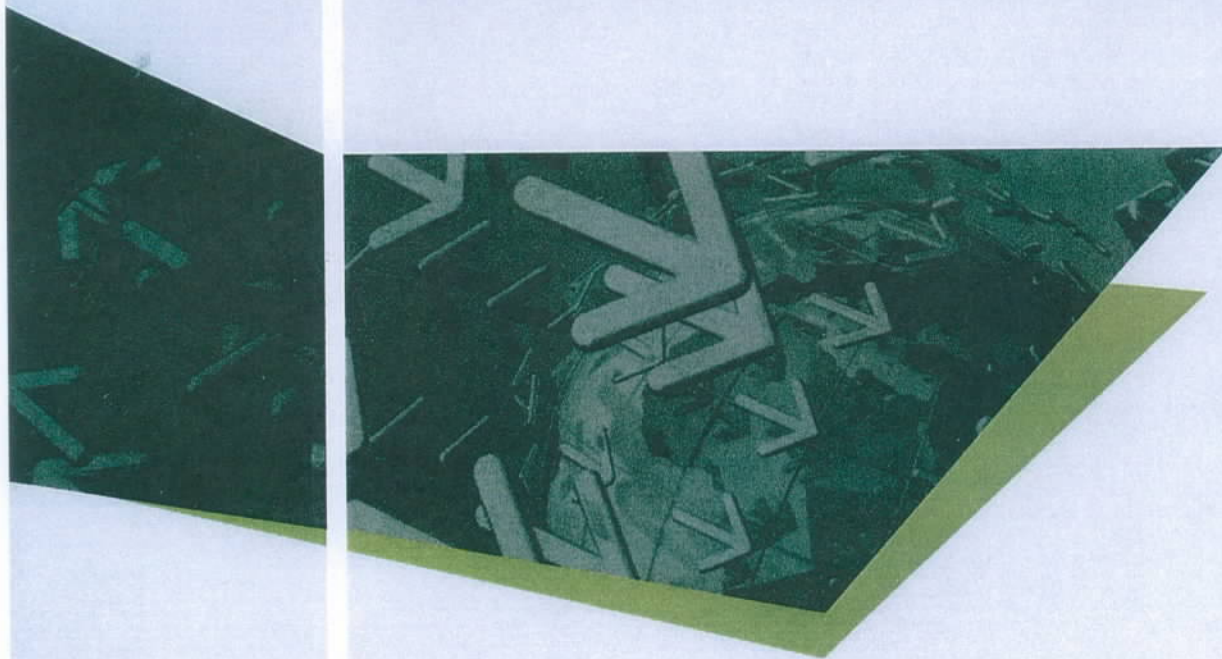




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AFFIRMING THE CENTRALITY OF INDUSTRY TRAINING PACKAGES
WITHIN THE AUSTRALIAN VET SYSTEM



The Australian Government is committed to developing the skills and productive capacity of the Australian workforce. Supporting this commitment, the Government works in partnership with Industry Skills Councils as they conduct national industry training advisory arrangements and develop nationally endorsed Industry Training Packages for their industry sectors.

Industry engagement in the development of Industry Training Packages ensures that qualifications are developed to an agreed standard and are highly responsive to existing and future demand for new skills for industry, enterprises and individuals.

Industry Training Packages specify the skills and knowledge required to perform effectively in the workplace. They do not prescribe how an individual should be trained. The development and endorsement process for Industry Training Packages ensures the units of competency, qualifications, Skill Sets and assessment requirements are developed to an agreed quality standard and are responsive to industry's existing and future demand for skills.

The following key principles underpin the process:

- » Open and inclusive industry-driven continuous improvement, validation and endorsement of Industry Training Packages.
- » Strong and clear key stakeholder roles with critical points of intervention and consultation.
- » Highly responsive process capable of meeting industry's needs and priorities for new skills.
- » Industry Skills Councils' responsibility and accountability for the quality and relevance of Industry Training Packages.

Each Industry Training Package:

- » Provides a consistent and reliable set of endorsed components – endorsed by the National Skills Standards Council;
- » Enables nationally recognised vocational education and training qualifications to be awarded through direct assessment of workplace competencies;

- » Encourages the development and delivery of flexible training which suits individual and industry requirements; and
- » Encourages learning and assessment in a work-related environment which leads to verifiable workplace outcomes.

Industry Training Packages are made up of nationally endorsed components as follows:

- » Units of competency;
- » Assessment requirements;
- » Qualifications; and
- » Credit arrangements.

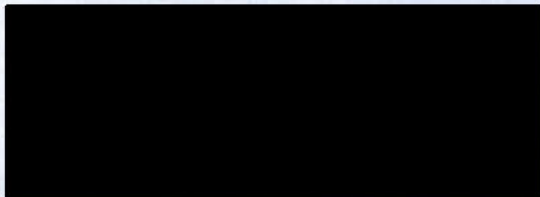
Each Industry Training Package is accompanied by one or more quality assured Companion Volumes.

Industry, through its engagement in the development of nationally endorsed qualifications, remains central in ensuring that qualifications continue to reflect industry's skills and training needs.



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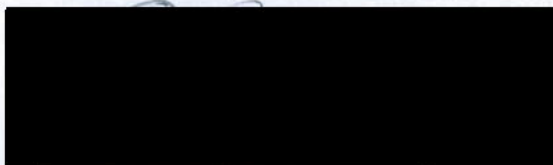
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