Specification of Competency Standards for the Logistics Industry Unit of Competency

Functional Area - Operations Management

Title	Formulate local/regional operation strategies for special cargoes handling
Code	LOSAOM503B
Range	This unit of competency is applicable to logistics service providers. Practitioners should be capable of analysing and formulating local/regional operation strategies for handling special cargoes by evaluating any potential factors and direct impact on the transportation efficiency of the covered area (local and/or regional). Special goods include halal logistics, frozen food, oversized goods, wine, and dutiable goods.
Level	5
Credit	9 (For Reference Only)
Competency	Performance Requirements 1. Understand local/regional operation strategies and the characteristics of special cargo
	 Understand operation strategies and interrelationships between each region Understand regional and regional economic scale and service characteristics and their relationship Understand regional and regional economic development and special cargo handling needs and their relationships Understand local and regional politics and social culture and their interrelationships Understand local and regional laws, regulations and policies related to logistics, infrastructure and investment Understand the source, type and value of special cargoes in the coverage area Understand business environment and restricted scope of market participation Understand the availability of transportation, warehouse facilities, distribution centre, IT infrastructure and related resources in the area covered Understand the relationship between the companies and its partners, agents and their capabilities and knowledge, as well as handling special cargoes in the coverage area Understand the location, connection routes and different ways of logistics service points warehouses and production sites/points of sale within the coverage area Understand the market competition, market share and their pros and cons in handling special cargoes coverage areas Understand the usage of different analysis tools to assess the coverage area Understand the company's local and regional policies and their mutual relations in handling special cargoes
	 2. Formulate the local and region operation strategies of special cargoes Integrate and analyse data and information collected from internal and external business
	 environments Assess the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats of the company's ability and availability to handle special cargoes on a local and regional basis Recognise the company's short, medium and long-term development direction Understand the government's restrictions on the development and operation of special goods, policy formulation and direction, such as local and regional licenses, fees and environmental protection Develop and propose different strategic operating directions and plans based on short- term, medium- and long-term strategies Assess the potential risks and constraints of different operating strategies and resources for handling special cargoes Formulate and propose changes or new business management policies based on the current situation and market conditions

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	 Assess existing service capabilities and availability to cope with business development plans Propose new and different service models and/or modify existing service models to meet new business management and market directions
	3. Review the local and regional business strategies of special cargo handling
	 Evaluate the business direction of special cargo customers and use existing operation strategies to meet their requirements Obtain local and regional operating strategies to meet the needs of this group of customers in a local and regional manner Propose the most effective and efficient operation model and strategy Compile report on the progress of existing customers and new targets to evaluate the effectiveness of current local and regional special cargo business strategies
Assessment Criteria	The integrated outcome requirements of this unit of competency are:
	 Capable of analysing all relevant factors in formulating local and regional special cargo operation strategies and company commercial policies; Capable of recommending appropriate local and regional special cargo business strategies; Capable of evaluating current local and regional operating strategies to achieve company goals; and Capable of compiling reports to evaluate local and regional operating strategies.
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