

Australian Capital Territory

# Corrections Management (Compressed Air Breathing Apparatus) Policy 2011

Notifiable instrument NI2011-122

made under the

***Corrections Management Act 2007*, section 14(1) (Corrections policies and operating procedures)**

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## 1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the *Corrections Management (Compressed Air Breathing Apparatus) Policy 2011*.

## 2 Commencement

This instrument commences on the day after it is notified.

## 3 Policy

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COMPRESSED AIR BREATHING APPARATUS POLICY

attached to this instrument, to facilitate the effective and efficient management of correctional services.

## 4 Revocation

This instrument revokes notifiable instrument NI2009-122.

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## COMPRESSED AIR BREATHING APPARATUS POLICY

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### **Purpose**

To outline the policy to ensure Compressed Air Breathing Apparatus (CABA) is used and maintained appropriately.

### **Authority**

#### Legislation

*Corrections Management Act 2007*, section 14.

*Territory Records Act 2002*.

### **Policy**

#### Principles

Corrections officers are trained in the safe and effective use of CABA equipment and may be required to use this equipment in the event of a fire, gas leak or the presence of another dangerous substance within a correctional centre. Corrections officers are first responding officers in the event of a fire or gas leak (including an unknown substance). The first responding officer is responsible for containment and must give due consideration to personal safety and security generally.

The CABA Controller, once all CABA operators have returned from the building(s), or the CO3, will provide assistance to the ACT Fire Brigade in responding to the incident.

#### Compressed Air Breathing Apparatus (CABA)

CABA equipment allows operators to breathe in an environment that may contain smoke and/or toxic substances.

CABA equipment is located in the following areas of the AMC:

- Gatehouse;
- Movement Control; and
- Women's community centre.

CABA equipment will be utilised, when necessary, by CABA teams comprised of four officers, plus a CABA controller.

### **Smoke hoods**

Smoke hoods are located in all Officers' Stations and are available for corrections officers to use when exiting a smoke filled or toxic environment. Smoke hoods are not to be used for response purposes. Smoke hoods provide filtered air for approximately 15 minutes from activation.

### **Inspections**

The CABA equipment will be inspected weekly by the Area CO2 stationed in each of the areas where the equipment is stored. A record of each inspection shall be completed in the *Compressed Air Breathing Log Book* by the CO2.

### **Training**

Both the Superintendent and Deputies will ensure that corrections officers are made available to the Training and Development Unit to enable them to conduct mandatory training. Corrections officers have an obligation to attend mandatory training at the times arranged for them.

The Training and Development Unit is responsible for co-ordinating onsite training in fire awareness and response (including the use of CABA) annually. All training records will be forwarded to the Training and Development Unit, which will be retained by in accordance with the *Territory Records Act 2002*.

### **Forms/Templates**

Officers Report Form  
Compressed Air Breathing Log Book

### **Related Policies and Procedures**

Compressed Air Breathing Apparatus Procedure  
Incident Reporting Policy  
Incident Reporting Procedure  
Incident Response Policy  
Incident Response Procedure  
Code <Restricted> - Fire  
Code <Restricted> - Hazardous Material Spillage or Major Gas Leak