Student Handbook

Term Training is a nationally registered training organization (RTO 32251) and was launched in 2010. Our aim is to provide quality training, allowing you to grow your skills and knowledge. Term Training aims to provide the highest quality training and education which will allow growth and development in personal skills but also development of your career and broaden your employment opportunities.

Term Training offers a variety of units/courses which includes the following:

UEEEL0002 – Apply currency of safe working practices and compliance verification of electrical installations.

UEEEL0030 – Conduct compliance inspection of single-phase LV electrical installations

UEEEL0029 - Conduct compliance inspection of LV electrical installations with demand exceeding 100A per phase

UEEEL0040 - Develop compliance policies and plans to conduct a electrical contracting business **UEECD0007** – Apply occupational Health and Safety regulations, codes and practices in the workplace

BSBESB402 – Establish legal and risk management requirements of new business ventures

UEEEL0001– Apply compliance requirements to all aspects of electrical work

UEEERL0003 - Conduct in-service safety testing of electrical cord connected equipment and cord assemblies

UEEDV0005 - Install and maintain cabling for multiple access to telecommunication services HLTAID009 - Provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation

UETTDRRF06 - Perform rescue from a live LV- Low Voltage panel

There are many facets to your training which you will need to be aware of before you commence. Please read the information contained in this document, it is included to help you with your training with us.

Regards,

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Enrolment

Enrolment in any course shall be completed prior to the commencement of that course.

An enrolment form is available from Term Training via email (<u>hello@termtraining.com.au</u>) or post. An enrolment form can completed on the day of training for short courses only.

Class sizes will be determined by Term Training and will endeavour to keep classes small to ensure quality outcomes and COVID compliance.

A student cannot commence a course without providing all requested information and paying the course fee.

All information collected by Term Training through the enrolment process will be treated as confidential. Term Training has an obligation to collect and store personal information under the Standards for NVR Registered Training Orgainsations 2011.

Term Training reserves the right to alter timetables and class locations without notice. Term Training reserves the right to cancel, terminate or defer courses without notice. Term Training reserves the right to withdraw all its services if the student's conduct disrupts the normal operation of classes.

The student must agree to indemnify Term Training and/or its staff from any responsibility and/or claim for any possible injury, damage or loss during attendance at any Term Training program, course or activity arranged by Term Training.

This agreement does not remove the right to take further action under Australia's consumer protection laws.



Third party enrolment

Students who are enrolled under a third-party arrangement (i.e., employment agencies or companies) where the fees are paid by a third-party entity must agree to complete the course following a provided learning plan with defined assessment completion and submission dates.

This requirement is in place to maximise the opportunity for the student to gain a successful learning outcome at a defined end point of an enrolled course.

Guarantee of services

At Term Training we guarantee our training and assessment services to all students upon commencement of their paid course/s. In the event that Term Training is unable to uphold this guarantee we will ensure that students will be placed into an equivalent course without having to pay any additional fees for the portion of the course they have paid in advance.

Course fees and additional costs

Fees include:

- Tuition and classroom lecturing (where courses involve classroom time)
- Study booklets (excluding online courses where books are not a requirement)
- Student counselling and support
- Australian Goods and Services Tax (GST) where applicable to items listed above
- 1 copy of a Statement of Attainment

Additional costs not included:

- Stationery (books, pens, photocopying etc)
- Additional or supplementry Assessments
- Replacement learning materials
- Australian Standards (e.g AS/NZS 3000)
- Personal Protective Equipment (e.g. footwear, trousers, etc)
- Technology required for training and assessment at home or the workplace

An enrolment fee is required from all students and must be paid in full prior to engaging in any course. The fees for all courses offered are available on the "Fees and Payment" form.

Term Training reserves the right to suspend a student's enrolment in the program when fees remain unpaid and to follow legal processes for monies outstanding. Suspension of enrolment will include the removal of access to Term Training services, records of training and online course access (if applicable).

Term Training will not issue a Statement of Attainment to any student who has overdue fees.

For re-issuing a Statement of Attainment, a fee of \$20 inc GST will apply.



Payment and Bank Guarantee

Course payment can be made via Electronic Funds Trasfer (EFT), Credit Card or cash payment. Please contact a Term Training employee for more information on payments.

Bank Guarantee

Term Training has an unconditional financial guarantee in place with a banking institution operating in Australia to cover pre-paid course fees in excess of the amount of \$1500.00 for any one student enrolled and studying in a current course. In the event that Term Training becomes unable to provide the training that has been paid for, students will be:

- placed into an equivalent course without having to pay any additional fees for the portion of the course they have paid in advance, or
- refunded for all fees paid in advance over \$1500.

Refund Policy

Enrolment fees are not refundable. However, if an enrolment form is received and no work has been commenced, no login has been activated, and the student advises within 7 days of enrolment they no longer wish to proceed then a refund can be considered with an administration fee deducted.

Term Training reserves the right to alter timetables and class locations without notice. Term Training reserves the right to cancel, terminate or defer courses without notice. If any course is cancelled or deferred and does not start on the agreed starting day or is started but terminated before it is completed for whatever reason by Term training all course money will be refunded within 2 weeks after the default day.

Once a course has commenced there are no refunds of course fees. Where a student withdraws from a course before completion, no refund is applicable. Term Training reserves the right to withdraw all its services if the student's conduct disrupts the normal operation of classes. In this case no fee will be refunded.

The Term Training dispute resolution processes do not circumscribe the student's rights to pursue other legal remedies. This refund policy does not negate the obligations stated in the Bank guarantee.

Obtaining a refund

If a student believes they are entitled to a refund, they must lodge a written request for refund to Term Training within 10 working days of the date of termination of enrolment. Requests for refunds will be processed within 5 working days and written notice of the outcome given to the student. If a refund amount is due, this will be paid within 10 working days of the notice.

Courses or units that have a set study period

Students that exceed the set study periods will not be eligible for a refund of their course fee. Their enrolment will be cancelled and will require re-enrolment to continue their study. Extensions to the study period may be granted upon request by the General Manager. Please see 'Guarantee of services' for further advise.



Credit transfer and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

Credit Transfer (CT)

Credit transfer involves assessing a previously completed course or subject to see if it provides equivalent learning or competency outcomes to those required within your current course of study. It means a student can gain credit for previous study and complete current qualifications more quickly.

The purpose of Credit Transfer is to make it easier for students to move between courses and institutions. This gives people more opportunities to fulfill their potential and respond to changing employment needs.

Credit transfer allows students to count relevant, successfully completed studies at TAFE institutes, accredited private providers, professional organisations or enterprises and universities toward their current course of qualifications.

Documents that are to be presented for a credit transfer, must have been awarded within a 5-year period for when the credit is being applied for.

To apply for credit transfer for units of competency, students must send a USI transcript as evidence of successful completion in the first instance. Where units have been successfully completed before 2015 the submission of a certified copy of a qualification with a relevant, associated, statement of attainment showing a competent grade, to Term Training is acceptable. Staff must make every attempt to verify the authenticity of a qualification presented before applying a credit transfer.

Recognition of prior learning (RPL)

Term Training does not offer an RPL process. The electrotechnology industry requires students to gain particular units of competency within a certain timeframe and any relevant units previously attained will be reviewed under the Credit transfer policy.



Student Matters

Access to your records

Term Training electronically retains all assessment outcomes in your student folder for thirty (30) years. Term Training retains all physical assessment items for six months. If you wish to have access to your personal records, please contact the Term Training office on 07 5665 9141.

Language, literacy and numeracy

Term Training recognises the diverse learning experiences of students especially regarding language, literacy and numeracy needs. We support individual learning needs, utilizing specialized staff and other organisations for specialized support. If at any time in the course you feel you would like further assistance, please speak to your educator who can arrange the appropriate support

Course Extension Applications

Students are advised at the time of enrolment that they are provided the opportunity to request an extension of time to complete their studies and associated assessment by one calender month at a cost of \$100.00. This fee applies to each course the student is enrolled into at any given time. A maximum of two (2) extensions only can be applied to each course enrolment. Once the maximum has been reached no further extension will be approved and the student will be withdrawn from the course. If a student wishes to appeal this decision they can follow the appeals process outlined in this handbook.

Once the set maximum has been reached, the final option before withdrawal is a payment of half of the current course fee with a duration of 2 months to complete the course, no further extension will be approved and the student will be notified of their withdrawn from the course unless an appeal is received. If a student wishes to appeal this decision they can follow the appeals process.

Code of behavior

While at Term Training courses, all students, staff and visitors are expected to behave in a considerate and courteous manner when dealing with other staff, students, clients and members of the general public. Unacceptable behaviour can hinder the academic progress or work performance of others. Failure to observe these conditions will be considered unacceptable behaviour and will be treated accordingly.

Students should:

Respect the right of others, respect differences and diversity, respect people's right to privacy and confidentiality, treat people in a fair and non-discriminatory way, undertake studies in a diligent manner by attending all sessions, complete all requirements to the best of your ability and behave in a co-operative manner with other students and staff, give requested feedback to other students and staff in a specific and sensitive way, bring any matters requiring attention to the notice of a Term Training employee as soon as practicable.

Students can expect staff to:

Treat people in a fair and non-discriminatory way, be professional in performing their duties respect the rights of others, respect differences and diversity, respect people's right to privacy and confidentiality, be supportive of your education, give appropriate consultation about your progress, give clear and specific feedback in assignments and if appropriate in subject sessions



Unacceptable behaviour includes:

Disobeying any reasonable direction by a staff member, discrimination, harassment and victimization, bullying and intimidation, making racist or sexist comments, behaving in a disruptive manner such as swearing or using offensive language, viewing or distributing offensive material via the internet, email or other means, illegal use of drugs or alcohol, vandalism causing willful damage to the education centre, endangering the safety of self or others

Consequences of unacceptable behaviour - disciplinary action will be taken:

The educator may ask a student to leave the classroom, or refuse entry to a lecture room if behaviour is disruptive or dangerous, a student may be suspended, or expelled, from the program for behaviour that threatens the safety of others, interferes with the duties of staff, or other student's study. The police will be contacted where necessary.

Disciplinary procedures

Misconduct includes but is not limited to:

Theft, fraud, violence / assault, discrimination, harassment, intimidation or victimization, serious negligence including WH & S non compliance, inappropriate staff/student relationships serious breach of confidentiality, refusing to carry out lawful and reasonable instructions, willful disobedience, being affected by alcohol or drugs (both illegal and legal) during course hours in that their faculties are so impaired that they are unfit to undertake studies or any other activities involved in the course, serious misconduct may result in immediate termination from the course without refund.

Suspension and Termination

Enrolment may be suspended in the following instances:

- after counselling a student who fails to meet the academic requirements of the course
- tutoring/classroom sessions are not attended
- course fees are not paid
- academic misconduct

Termination may occur if any of the above issues are unresolved or due to a gross breach of the student code. Students have the right to appeal a suspension or termination decision.

Academic misconduct

Term Training does not condone the practice of cheating or plagiarism.

Plagiarism is a form of cheating and occurs when a person presents someone else's work or ideas as their own. It is a very serious issue and can result in dismissal from your course. In today's internet society information is far more accessible and is therefore much easier to plagiarise. However, this also means that plagiarism is easier to detect.

Plagiarism can take several forms. Deliberate plagiarism is where you intentionally copy directly from someone else's work without acknowledging the source and present it as your own. This can occur as a 'word for word' copy or can also be in the form of paraphrasing i.e., putting someone else's ideas into your own words. Reproducing graphics or diagrams in a document without acknowledging the source is also plagiarism.

Accidental plagiarism occurs when a person misunderstands the rules of referencing i.e., acknowledging the source.



Cheating is defined as:

Handing in someone else's work as your own (with or without the original authors knowledge), allowing someone to hand up your work as his or her own, several people writing an assignment and handing up multiple copies, all represented (implicitly or explicitly) as individual work; or using any part of someone else's work without proper acknowledgement.

Academic misconduct means:

Presentation of data with respect to laboratory work, field trips or other work that has been copied, falsified or in other ways obtained improperly; inclusion of material in individual work that has involved significant assistance from another person, where such assistance is not expressly permitted in the relevant Study Guide or Stage outline; providing assistance to a student in the presentation of individual work, where such assistance is not expressly permitted in the relevant Study Guide or Stage outline; falsification or misrepresentation of academic records; plagiarism, as defined above; other actions not covered by the above clauses that may be judged to be acts of academic misconduct.

If your assessor suspects plagiarism, the issue will be addressed with the General Manager of Term Training in the first instance. If it is established that deliberate plagiarism has occurred, the participant will be excluded from further involvement in the course. There will be no refund of fees available to participants who are excluded from a course for plagiarism. If the General Manager suspects the plagiarism has been genuinely unintentional the participant will be counselled and given the opportunity to resubmit their work. No further instances of plagiarism by that participant will be tolerated.

Complaints and Academic Appeals and Appeals

Term Training aims to provide high quality training and education which will allow students to grow their skills and knowledge. It is committed to implementing an effective complaint resolution procedure that, where possible, are managed quickly, at the local level and with a minimum number of people involved. The resolution process will focus on a rapid reestablishment of good educational working relationships and positive outcomes. The procedures aim to avoid blame and undue investigation.

This policy applies to all students and staff undertaking study or training in courses offered by Term Training. This policy applies to all complaints requiring resolution except those covered under equal opportunity or access and equity.

Complainants can choose to utilise resources outside Term Training to resolve their complaint.

In handling a complaint, whether formal or informal, confidentiality will be maintained to:

- Protect all parties involved in a complaint under the principles of natural justice
- Prevent the possibility of a defamation or other legal action
- Involve the minimum number of people possible

All students and staff are to be informed of the complaint resolution procedures. The focus for resolution will be on issues rather than individuals. Students and staff are to be protected from victimisation. Natural justice principles will be used to ensure procedural fairness. A complainant has the right to withdraw the complaint at any stage.

If a student is utilising this process, their enrolment must be maintained while the complaints and appeals process is ongoing.



Process

There are two types of complaint: Informal and Formal. Students and Staff may choose either process. Specific procedures for Staff and Student complaints resolution should be referred to as each circumstance indicates.

-Informal complaint

A complaint is considered to be informal when it is made verbally. It is also considered to be informal when it is made in writing and addressed to the person against whom the complaint is being made unless a signed copy of that letter is also sent to the General Manager. An informal complaint will be referred to an appropriate person to assist in an effective and rapid resolution. Resolution of a complaint is to be achieved as quickly as possible, at the local level and with a minimum number of people involved.

-Formal complaint

Students may make a formal complaint by forwarding a signed written complaint to the General Manager of Term Training within one month of the incident. The General Manager will seek an effective and rapid resolution of any complaint.

All parties have a right to confidentiality and privacy, subject to necessary legal responsibilities and the complaint will be forwarded to the most appropriate person (as determined by the General Manager) to assist the effective and rapid resolution of any complaint.

At all times, parties to the complaint may be accompanied by an advocate of their choosing, except where that advocate is a legal practitioner. Each party will have opportunity to formally present their case should they wish to do so. Complaints are to be either given directly to the General Manager or posted to 2/7 Enterprise Street, Molendinar, Q 4214.

Academic appeals

All students have the right to make an academic appeal. Where a student is dissatisfied with the assessment of an assignment and/or an examination result, the student should discuss this informally in the first instance with their Educator.

If the issue cannot be resolved informally, a student may submit a formal academic appeal in writing to the General Manager within twenty (20) working days of receiving the reviewed academic result. The appeal must outline why the student has requested a formal review of the result. The General Manager will seek to resolve a formal academic appeal through the appointment of an independent and impartial educator to investigate and make a recommendation. All parties involved in any formal academic appeal will be advised of the outcome in writing within twenty (20) working days of the date of the appeal.

If a student's formal academic appeal is successful, the academic result will be amended.

A student, whose formal academic appeal is not upheld by the General Manager, will be advised in writing of the option to either access the appeals procedure or the process for external mediation. Appeals are to be either given directly to the General Manager or posted to 2/7 Enterprise Street, Molendinar, Q 4214.



Appeals process

If a complainant is dissatisfied with the outcome of their formal complaint or academic appeal, they may lodge an appeal. Term Training provides the right of appeal against decisions made following the resolution or completed investigation of a complaint or academic appeal, whether informal or formal or a breach of policy. At all times, parties to the appeal may be accompanied by an advocate of their choosing, except where that advocate is a legal practitioner. Each party will have opportunity to formally present their case should they wish to do so. An appeal must be lodged in writing within twenty (20) working days of the date of notification of the original decision. Any appeal must set out the grounds for the appeal. The General Manager may convene an Appeals Panel to assess the appeal, and act as Chairperson. In addition to the Chair, an Appeals Panel will consist of at least 2 staff from Term Training and not less than 1 student counselor. The appellant will not normally have the right to be present when the Appeals Committee convenes. An appellant will be notified in writing of the outcome of the appeal within twenty working days of the date of lodgment of the appeal. Non-academic appeals do not ordinarily require the convening of an Appeals Panel; however, the General Manager may seek the input of suitably qualified staff that are independent of the grounds of the appeal. The appellant will be notified in writing of the outcome of the appeal outlining the reasons for the decision within twenty working days of the date of lodgment of the appeal. The report will further advise the appellant of their right to access the external mediation process if they are not satisfied with the outcome of their appeal.

External mediation services

Should a complaint or appeal not be resolved using the Term Training complaints, academic appeals and appeals process, then impartial mediation by an external mediator is available. A mediation service recommended by Term Training is the Queensland Training Ombudsman. Contact with the mediator should be initiated by the student in all cases.

Costs

The total cost will be explained by the mediator and will be shared equally between the student and Term Training.

Contact

The contact for External Appeals with the Queensland Training Ombudsman is via online using the link provided here <u>https://trainingombudsman.qld.gov.au/</u>

Students must lodge appeals via this web address by completing the online complaint form and attaching any documentation they feel will support their claim. The police may be contacted in cases of possible criminal behavior. Each complaint, grievance, appeal and its outcome are recorded in writing and each party to the complaint is given a written statement of the appeal outcomes, including reasons for the decision. If after the services of an external mediator have been accessed and no resolution can be found, either party may contact Term Training on 07 5665 9141 and discuss the outcome further. If the problem resolution fits within equal opportunity guidelines, it will be managed under those guidelines.

Additional information

Student Assistance

If you are finding your study is conflicting with your work and domestic responsibilities, PLEASE do not hesitate to speak with a Term Training employee. There may be a simple solution when viewed from another perspective.



Counseling Support

Term Training is able to provide you with a list of suitable counselling services available.

Access, Equity and Fair Treatment Policy

The purpose of this policy is to outline how Term Training will ensure that all enrolled students are provided with the principles of equity throughout their training experience. This is done through;

- Informing all potential learners of course details
- Upholding a non-discriminatory learner selection procedure by informing potential learners of entry requirements in marketing materials and during the enrolment phase
- Being open, fair and transparent in its policies and procedures with access to the student handbook within the advertising materials
- Consideration of access and equity during the development of learning and assessment materials, such as can reasonable adjustment be applied

Informing all potential learners of course details

Course details are provided on the Term Training website. Further student enquiries are sent a comprehensive email detailing the delivery, duration and cost of the course at any given time. This communication is provided by administration and other members of the Term Training team.

Enrolment forms, fees and charges and Industry relevant newsletters are attached for the students review to ensure they can make an informed decision about their study pathway.

Non-discriminatory learner selection procedure

Term Training provides advise of the pre-requisite knowledge or qualifications required before enrolment to ensure that all potential learners are informed of current enrolment criteria. Course: <u>https://www.termtraining.com.au/courses/</u>

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Access to the student handbook is provided within the initial enrolment enquiry response email and on the official Term Training website to provide open, fair and transparent communication of the Term Training policies and procedures relevant to a potential student enrolment.

Material development

All material development is conducted with the view of providing consideration of all forms of learning including written, visual, auditory and kinaesthetic styles to enhance the opportunity for student success. Marking guides and assessment items are developed to provide avenues for the opportunity to make decisions of competence in a consistent and fair manner and provide a basis to apply reasonable adjustment where necessary.

Occupational Health Safety and Welfare

Term Training is committed to ensuring the health, safety and welfare of its staff, contractors, students and volunteers while working for or participating in activities and courses. All students have the responsibility to:

- protect their own health and safety and to avoid adversely affecting the health and safety of any other person
- not willfully or recklessly to interfere or misuse anything provided by Term Training in the interest of health, safety or welfare
- co-operate with health and safety directives given by staff



• ensure that they are not, by the consumption of drugs and alcohol, in such a state as to endanger their own health and safety or the health and safety of another person.

If you have a personal health condition that may become acute while attending your course, please advise Term Training before commencement of enrolment. All information will be treated in confidence and is only needed so that appropriate support or treatment can be provided should an emergency arise.

Should you be involved in any accident during training which results in personal injury and/or damage to equipment or facilities, please notify the Term Training team immediately.

Alcohol and other drugs policy

Term Training is committed to providing a worksite and learning environment which is free from any kind of substance abuse. To maintain this, students and staff are not to indulge in the consumption of alcohol and/or illegal drugs during class/tuition hours regardless if they are onsite or off-site. The use of drugs prescribed by Medical Practitioners for health reasons are excluded from this policy statement.

Academic record keeping

Term Training maintains comprehensive records of each student, including academic results, personal details and financial records. To assist in the resolution of any dispute each student is encouraged to maintain their own similar records.

Personal details record keeping

It is the students responsibility to keep Term Training informed of their contact details. If, at any stage while you are enrolled, your personal contact details change, you are oblidged to inform Term Training. Your new details should be communicated to Term Training as soon as practicable. This allows the Term Training adminstrtion to send any communication to you in an efficient manner.

Assessment submission

Assessment submission details are outlined within your chosen course in the form of one or more of the following;

- 1. Introduction page online
- 2. Assessment supplement in a relevant course student resource booklet
- 3. The final checklist in a student resource booklet

Once submitted a Term Training assessor will mark the work and provide feedback within 10 working days.

