
Overview

This standard is for archaeologists who provide guidance on policies and who process applications for resource support (grants, loans, subsidies) associated with these policies. New policies and compliance requirements should be communicated accurately with clear and helpful advice to interested parties. Applications for support must be dealt with promptly and follow organisational procedures. In the case of successful applications for support, applicants should be monitored for compliance with conditions.

Performance criteria

You must be able to:

Provide guidance and advice on applications for resource support

- P1 Prepare documentation, which clearly and accurately explains new or changed policy on the historic environment intentions, means of implementation, measures of effectiveness and requirements for compliance
- P2 Ensure that policies and compliance requirements are communicated clearly and accurately to all interested parties using appropriate and agreed strategies
- P3 Make available advice regarding policies and compliance to interested parties in a clear and helpful manner
- P4 Ensure that the effectiveness of advice and communication strategy is monitored and evaluated and corrective

Process applications for resource support

- P5 Promptly acknowledge applications for incentives and classify accurately in accordance with organisational procedures
- P6 Advising applicants of additional information needs where information is insufficient for assessment purposes
- P7 Ensure that applications are assessed against the relevant criteria and those which conform in most main respects are selected for further consideration
- P8 Ensure that applications which clearly fail to meet the assessment criteria are recommended for rejection and reasons communicated to interested parties
- P9 Ensure that potentially successful applications are subjected to further detailed evaluation, and any required modifications identified and communicated to interested parties
- P10 Ensure that the level of incentive for which the applicant potentially qualifies is calculated accurately and appropriate conditions are specified and justified
- P11 Present recommendations in an appropriate format
- P12 Ensure that the use of incentives and applicants' compliance with specified conditions is monitored and evaluated against organisational and policy objectives

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- P13 Ensure that appropriate advice is offered where type and level of incentives fail to achieve planned objectives and where specified conditions are not complied with
- P14 Ensure that processes, including authorisation for payments, are completed within the required period and in accordance with appropriate legislation and organisational policy

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 How to prepare documentation on policy and compliance requirements
- K2 How to develop and evaluate the effectiveness of communication strategies and advice on policy
- K3 How to advise on policy and compliance enquiries and availability and eligibility for grants, loans and subsidies
- K4 Types of policy and compliance requirements
- K5 Types of communication strategy
- K6 Types of grant, loan and subsidy
- K7 How to assess, evaluate, process and justify decisions on applications for incentives
- K8 How to calculate level of incentives
- K9 How to specify conditions
- K10 How to monitor, assess and advise on the use of incentives
- K11 Types of application and incentive
- K12 Types of decision criteria
- K13 Types of conditions
- K14 Types of format

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