

Review of Drilling qualifications and standards is ongoing

Reviewing the current standards

An ongoing part of having national competency standards is reviewing the standards and the qualifications. It keeps the standards relevant to industry changes, and allows appropriate updates to occur.

DRT03 is the current set of standards and qualifications. A meeting of the Training Working Party was held in Adelaide in May and in Perth in December which discussed input for the rationalisation of the current standards based on industry information previously provided to RIISC and new input. You can also provide this directly to the following website: www.skillsdmc.com.au

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ADITC wins national recognition for excellence as a training provider: 2 gold star rating

ADITC has just been recognized by industry and government with the award of 2 Gold Star rating by the Institute for Trade Skills Excellence.

This prestigious award is for excellence in the delivery of training and training-related services to the drilling industry. This is the inaugural year of the awards, an additional honour.

We are one of only five organisations in the nation to have been awarded under the scheme. Susan Lovejoy traveled to Melbourne in December to receive the award for ADITC.

ADITC celebrates 25 years – with new releases

ON 23rd November 2007 ADITC celebrated our 25th AGM as a not-for-profit industry body. We started in fact in 1978, but came to our current form in 1982. We are proud of our contribution to the industry and respect the industry support which has allowed us to keep contributing.

At the 25th celebration we launched some new resources – the latest in a long line of things we have developed to help companies to train personnel and help them work safely.

The first of these is the start of the **newest version of the DICAT course**. We have just revised all the technical content, and now we are making DICAT plain English, improving its layout and usability in-company and adding better assessment tasks. It still links directly to national competency standards and qualifications, and provides the knowledge base for new starters and more experienced personnel alike.

The second is the **Drilling Rig Safety Reference Kit**.

This contains the new **Drilling Safety and Induction Manual**, and two St John Ambulance publications, *Basic First Aid* and *Remote Area First Aid*. They are in a sturdy cover, to keep at site, and meet company requirements for reference.

The *Drilling Safety and Induction Manual* is designed as a safety reference manual for drilling companies and their employees.

Based on immediate industry experience and knowledge, it provides practical knowledge on how to follow workplace health, safety and environment procedures and how to respond to an accident or an emergency. This book covers general safety and risks associated with different applications and methods of drilling, and provides suggestions on managing them.

It will assist companies with induction training for new personnel, and in designing company-based induction training for new employees.

