Apply river crossing skills unit for Bushwalking Level 3 (Intermediate Areas) from Sport, Fitness and Recreation Training Package (SIS10)

**Context**
Bushwalking in intermediate areas (difficult or trackless areas) is hiking through naturally occurring and or modified landscapes:
- Where the nearest built up area, or safe collecting feature can be reached within 1 or 2 days’ walk;
- Relates to conducting walks on class 5 or 6 tracks, or areas where there are limited modifications to the natural surface so that track alignment is indistinct in places, walking through challenging natural areas requiring well developed navigation skills.

**Qualifications**
This course develops the knowledge and skills for:

**Apply river crossing skills**
- Identify river based hazards and conditions
- Plan to cross swift water
- Use appropriate team strategies to cross & perform self-rescue in swift water
- Perform team rescues in swift water using appropriate resources

The CARA requires a teacher leading bushwalking in this environment to also gain the following units as a minimum:

**Interpret weather conditions in the field**
**Apply intermediate bushwalking skills**
**Apply navigation skills in an intermediate environment**
**Respond to emergency situations**
**Provide first aid (credit transfer only)**
**Operate communication systems and equipment (Required for skill set – available upon application only)**
**Use and maintain a temporary or overnight site (Required for skill set – available upon application only)**
**Guide intermediate bushwalks (Required for skill set – available upon application only)**

**Details**
This one day course will be conducted at a river with a swift water environment. Candidates need to be prepared by:
- Providing all personal gear and food for the day
- Arranging own transport to and from the river venue
- Having adequate swimming ability to participate in the activity – you will be getting wet!

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