



Australian Government

Assessment Requirements for AHCPER208

Harvest permaculture crops

Release: 1

Assessment Requirements for AHCPER208 Harvest permaculture crops

Modification History

Release	TP Version	Comment
1	AHCv1.0	Initial release

Performance Evidence

The candidate must be assessed on their ability to integrate and apply the performance requirements of this unit in a workplace setting. Performance must be demonstrated consistently over time and in a suitable range of contexts.

The candidate must provide evidence that they can:

- assess plants for harvest
- prepare for harvest
- carry out harvest operations
- maintain harvesting equipment

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must demonstrate knowledge of:

- permaculture principles related to harvesting
- principles of sustainable horticultural practices
- crops common in permaculture systems
- harvesting techniques, such as:
 - selective picking or hand picking ripe from unripe
 - tree shaking
 - picking leaves rather than whole plants
 - cutting plants and allowing to regrow (eg leeks, spring onions)
 - thinning or removing weak or diseased plants from among healthy ones
 - end of season crop extension harvesting (such as hanging tomato plants to ripen indoors)
- equipment and machinery used in harvesting
- sorting and grading, such as:
 - removing out-of-type plants
 - removing physically damaged, unhealthy, rotten or immature fruit and vegetables

- grading of the crop according to variety, size, length, colour, maturity, blemishes, bud count and quality, being subject to seasonal and market forces
- storage, transportation and grading of crops
- methods of waste disposal causing minimal impact on the environment

Assessment Conditions

Assessors must satisfy current standards for RTOs. Assessors must also hold a nationally accredited Certificate III (or higher) in Permaculture to assess this unit of competency and/or have completed a Permaculture Design Course (PDC) and/or have completed the Permaculture Demonstrator Skill Set.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>