

# **AHCARB322 Access trees for inspection**

Release: 1

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## **Modification History**

Release	Comments	
Release 1	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 5.0.	

# **Application**

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to access trees for inspection. It does not describe the skills and knowledge required to access trees to conduct arboricultural work, tree pruning or removal.

The unit applies to individuals who work under broad direction and take responsibility for their own work. They use discretion and judgement in the selection, allocation and use of available resources and for solving problems.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

## **Pre-requisite Unit**

Nil

#### **Unit Sector**

Arboriculture (ARB)

#### **Elements and Performance Criteria**

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Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.	
1. Prepare site and inspect equipment	1.1 Confirm access to site and scope of works according to workpla procedures	
	1.2 Undertake a site-specific job safety analysis (JSA), record and implement control measures according to workplace safety procedures	
	1.3 Confirm availability of first aid and rescue personnel, equipment and procedures	
	1.4 Conduct pre-operational preparations and safety checks, on ropes,	

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	harnesses, tools and climbing equipment		
	1.5 Select, check and use personal protective equipment		
2. Prepare to access tree	2.1 Inspect tree to determine efficient low-risk access route and climbing method through discussion with work team		
	2.2 Select and prepare climbing equipment according to manufacture instructions, workplace health and safety regulations and industry standards		
	2.3 Configure climbing equipment components to form functional tree climbing system appropriate to the access method selected		
	2.4 Tie, dress, set and finish climbing knots and hitches according climbing system		
	2.5 Conduct pre-climb checks of configured systems to ensure compatibility, safety and function according to selected climbing system, industry standards and manufacturer instructions		
3. Access tree safely to work position	3.1 Select and install suitable anchor points according to access method selected		
	3.2 Use climbing equipment to ascend tree to suitable work positions within crown using safe access route		
	3.3 Undertake transitions between attachment points safely to reach suitable work positions		
	3.4 Communicate with work team during operations according to work site and environmental conditions using methods agreed with work team		
	3.5 Maintain awareness and clearances to avoid power lines according to workplace safety procedures		
4. Descend from tree	4.1 Descend tree using climbing equipment in a controlled manner		
	4.2 Remove all climbing equipment safely in a controlled manner according to manufacturer instructions		
	4.3 Inspect, clean, maintain and store climbing and safety equipment according to manufacturer instructions		

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## **Foundation Skills**

This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria.

Skill	Description	
Writing	Accurately record and complete workplace job safety analysis using clear language, grammar and industry terminology	

# **Unit Mapping Information**

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
AHCARB322 Access trees for inspection	AHCARB312 Use standard climbing techniques to access trees	Title changed Prerequisite unit removed Performance criteria clarified Foundation skills added Assessment requirements updated	Equivalent

## Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: - <a href="https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72">https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72</a>

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