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# **AHCBEK304 Remove a honey crop from a hive**

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### Modification History

Release	TP Version	Comment
1	AHCv1.0	Initial release

### Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to remove a honey crop from a hive by removing bees and combs from the hive and removing filled combs from the hive to other boxes for transport to the extracting facility.

This unit applies to beekeepers who take responsibility for their own work and for the quality of the work of others. They use discretion and judgement in the selection, allocation and use of available resources.

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

### Pre-requisite Unit

Nil.

### Unit Sector

Beekeeping (BEK)

### Elements and Performance Criteria

Element	Performance criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.
1. Prepare to remove honey	1.1 Obtain tools and equipment and confirm they are in good repair and serviceable for use 1.2 Check personal protective equipment (PPE) for serviceability and wear and use correctly

Element	Performance criteria
	1.3 Identify work health and safety hazards, assess risks and implement control measures 1.4 Identify and meet food safety requirements 1.5 Observe site quarantine or other biosecurity protocols 1.6 Determine ripeness of honey to ensure it is mature enough to be harvested 1.7 Observe any withholding periods for honey bee medications and treatments 1.8 Take into account potential contaminants, impact on the colony and quality and type of honey to be obtained when planning the time and location of the honey removal 1.9 Identify factors affecting the quantity of honey to be removed from hive and take these into consideration when removing honey
2. Remove honey from the hive	2.1 Consider a range of suitable methods for removing bees from honey-filled combs and select and implement the best option or combination of options 2.2 Consider a range of suitable methods for removing the honey crop in the frames from the hive and implement the best option or combination of options 2.3 Monitor the quality of the honey during removal process and, if required, modify removal methods to ensure that desired quality standards are achieved and maintained 2.4 Transport honey-filled frames to extracting facility

## Foundation Skills

Foundation Skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

## Range of Conditions

## Unit Mapping Information

This unit is equivalent to AHCBEK304A Remove a honey crop from a hive.

## Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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

