Assessment Requirements for AHCCHM201 Apply chemicals under supervision

# Modification History

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# Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit. There must be evidence that the individual has on at least one occasion demonstrated that chemicals have been applied under supervision, ensuring they have:

* identified hazards and risks and adopted safe work practices and used appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) according to supervisors’ instructions
* confirmed activity with supervisor and identified and selected tools and equipment necessary for the application of chemical treatment
* carried out pre-operational checks of application equipment and made it ready for operation
* handled and transported chemicals to be used according to chemical labels and supervisors’ instructions
* followed directions on chemical labels and relevant safety data sheets to safely mix and prepare chemicals
* selected appropriate measuring equipment and measured, mixed and loaded application equipment with chemicals safely and correctly
* ensured chemical spills were cleared according to chemical label instruction and supervisor instructions
* checked the application equipment for output against plan and applied chemical safely complying with weather conditions
* monitored and recorded weather and applied chemical appropriate to prevailing conditions
* maintained a healthy and safe condition for the environment and others while applying and following chemical application
* cleaned application equipment and PPE and disposed of waste according to equipment manufacturer instructions, chemical label and supervisor instructions
* complied with equipment manufacturer instructions, chemical label and supervisor instructions
* maintained chemical application records and incident reports according to workplace procedures
* stored protection equipment, application equipment and unused chemicals according to workplace procedures.

# Knowledge Evidence

An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:

* various handling and transport techniques and requirements for chemicals
* structure and content of chemical labels and safety data sheets and their use and purpose for safe chemical application
* principles and methods of measuring, mixing and applying chemicals
* features and functions of a range of application equipment relevant to the workplace their operations, and maintenance requirements
* risk factors to be taken into account for human and animal health, spillage and environmental impact relevant to chemical use before, during and following chemical application
* basic chemical groupings and types used in the workplace, including:
* the of mode of action
* the impact on chemical safety
* application methods
* paths of entry of poisons into the body and the methods of limiting exposure through practices and personal protective clothing
* maintenance practices for chemical application related equipment and PPE and disposal procedures for chemical contaminants and containers
* assessing weather conditions and the impact on safe application of chemicals
* components of a workplace chemical application plan
* chemical related records and reports and their purpose.

# Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

* physical conditions:
* skills must be demonstrated in a typical workplace environment or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
* access to chemical store
* resources, equipment and materials:
* common chemicals
* PPE
* chemical application equipment
* chemical measuring and mixing equipment
* specifications:
* workplace documents, including work instructions and procedures
* chemical labels and safety data sheets
* chemical application plan and relevant chemical application rates
* manufacturers’ operation and maintenance instructions for chemical measuring and application equipment
* relationships:
* supervisor.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

# Links

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