Assessment Requirements for AHCECR102 Support native seed collection

# 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 followed directions from supervisor to collect, extract, weigh, label and store at least ten species of native seeds from at least three of the following types of plants or plant environments:

* grasses and sedges
* herbaceous plants
* woody shrubs below four metres high
* trees above four metres high
* freshwater aquatic plants
* marine plants
* marshland or intertidal plants.

There must also be evidence that the individual has:

* applied safe work practices while collecting seed
* provided seed collecting support
* prepared, used and cleaned tools and equipment used during seed collection
* conducted seed collection work and maintained biosecurity and sustainable seed collection practices specified in instructions.

# 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:

* laws governing seed collecting from public and private land, including:
* basics of commonwealth, state or territory laws
* licensing requirements
* basic ecological principles for seed collection related to work instruction, including:
* recognising plants and range of seed species required for collection
* recognition of broad ecological systems for locating seed collection target species
* range of processes for collecting, treating and storing seed, including:
* recognising mature seed ready for collection
* identifying seed and where to locate it on plants
* methods to separate viable seed from waste materials
* recognising common seed disorders that affect the health and viability of seed
* labelling seed and the need for accuracy and completeness in documentation
* seed treatments and storage requirements for seed species collected
* organisational and site standards, requirements, policies and procedures for collecting seed, including:
* collecting seed sustainably, minimising seed collection impact on the environment
* collecting seed hygienically using biosecurity principles to prevent the spread of pests and disease
* seed collecting resources and equipment, including:
* safe use and operation
* basic maintenance
* cleaning and storing
* recording and reporting requirements
* workplace health and safety requirements, including:
* safety and environmental hazards and controls associated with the collection, treatment and storage of seed
* personal protective equipment.

# Assessment Conditions

Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:

* physical conditions:
* skills must be demonstrated in the field while collecting native seed from a range of plants as specified in the Performance Evidence
* resources, equipment and materials:
* seed collecting tools and equipment specific to the seed type and location
* items of personal protective equipment relevant to the seed collection site, including sun protection
* specifications:
* • workplace instructions with seed collection specifications
* 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>