



Australian Government

AHCMOM304 Operate machinery and equipment

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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 2	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 3.0.
Release 1	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 1.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to prepare and operate machinery and equipment in a safe and controlled manner that is used principally in agriculture, horticulture, and conservation and land management work.

This unit does not apply to chainsaws, tractors, vehicles or earth moving equipment.

The unit applies to individuals who operate machinery and equipment under broad direction, and take responsibility for their own work.

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

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Machinery operation and maintenance (MOM)

Elements and Performance Criteria

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<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Prepare machinery and equipment for use	1.1 Confirm activity to be undertaken, including identifying potential hazards and risks and implementing safe working practices to manage risks 1.2 Source and interpret relevant machinery and equipment operation

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	<p>and maintenance manual and manufacturer instructions</p> <p>1.3 Assess the work site and confirm the suitability of the machinery and equipment for the task</p> <p>1.4 Select and maintain personnel protective equipment applicable to the machinery and equipment to be operated and the task to be undertaken</p> <p>1.5 Fit and use personal protective equipment according to workplace procedures and job requirements</p> <p>1.6 Conduct routine pre-operational checks as described in operation and maintenance manual</p> <p>1.7 Replace and report damaged or worn components in line with workplace reporting requirements</p> <p>1.8 Attach ancillary equipment and check for correct operation</p>
2. Operate machinery and equipment	<p>2.1 Operate machinery according to task requirements, conditions, operation and maintenance manual and manufacturer specifications</p> <p>2.2 Monitor machinery performance and efficiency and make adjustments</p> <p>2.3 Continually monitor hazards and risks, and ensure safety of self, other personnel, plant and equipment</p>
3. Complete machinery and equipment operation	<p>3.1 Conduct shut down of machinery according to workplace procedures</p> <p>3.2 Perform routine operational servicing and minor maintenance according to operation and maintenance manual</p> <p>3.3 Identify and report malfunctions, faults, irregular performance or damage according to workplace procedures</p> <p>3.4 Clean, secure and store machinery and equipment according to workplace procedures</p> <p>3.5 Maintain machinery and equipment use records in required format</p>

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
Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Interpret textual information from a range of sources to identify relevant and key information about workplace operations
Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Document machinery and equipment use
Oral communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Use clear language to report malfunctions, faults, irregular performance or damage
Numeracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Calculate quantities of machinery fluids including oil and fuel
Navigate the world of work	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Recognise and follow workplace requirements, including safety requirements, associated with own role and area of responsibility

Range of Conditions

This section specifies different work environments and conditions that may affect performance. Essential operating conditions that may be present (depending on the work situation, needs of the candidate, accessibility of the item, and local industry and regional contexts) are included.

Machinery and equipment must include at least one of the following:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">hydraulic equipmentstationary enginesspraying equipmentmulching and chipping equipmentpowered trailersthree point linkage equipment.
Pre operational checks must include:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">machinery and equipment damage and serviceabilityengine oilfuelmachinery and equipment controlsreporting and tagging defects.

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
AHCMOM304 Operate machinery and equipment	AHCMOM304 Operate machinery and equipment Release 1	Minor changes to performance criteria, foundation skills and range of conditions	Equivalent unit

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