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Modification History

Release	TP Version	Comment
1	AHCv1.0	Initial release

Performance Evidence

The candidate must be assessed on their ability to integrate and apply the performance requirements of this unit in a workplace setting. Performance must be demonstrated consistently over time and in a suitable range of contexts.

The candidate must provide evidence that they can:

- communicate with supervisors and workplace colleagues
- recognise basic environmental influences
- contribute to improved permaculture work practices

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must demonstrate knowledge of:

- permaculture
 - ethics – earth care, people care, fair share
 - principles – at this level, limited to the trainer/supervisor’s interpretation and simplification of those contained in the two seminal permaculture text books (Mollison 1988 and Holmgren 2002)
- good practice approaches to minimising environmental hazards and risks
 - producing no waste
 - thinking globally and acting locally
 - observing nature and learning from her patterns
 - responding to change creatively and with consideration for the needs of all users of and/or elements in the system
 - learning from mistakes and developing successes
- factors to improve environmental performance in regard to water catchments, ecosystems, habitat, efficient use of resources, sustainability and waste minimisation
- factors to improve community issues, especially in regard to caring for people, sharing surpluses and setting limits to growth
- environmental issues and their potential impacts

- sustainability of land use and agricultural work practices
- reduction and disposal of waste
- improvements to water quality
- improvements to air quality
- energy efficiency
- biodiversity and habitat protection
- conservation of natural resources
- wild-fire management and mitigation
- food, water and energy security
- human rights and right livelihood

Assessment Conditions

Assessors must satisfy current standards for RTOs. Assessors must also hold a nationally accredited Certificate III (or higher) in Permaculture to assess this unit of competency and/or have completed a Permaculture Design Course (PDC) and/or have completed the Permaculture Demonstrator Skill Set.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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