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**Assessment Requirements for AHCPER305
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systems**

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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:

- interpret site plans and crop maintenance and harvesting schedules
- harvest or maintain crops correctly and without damaging produce
- coordinate work group, contractors and own activities

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must demonstrate knowledge of:

- permaculture principles and practices related to obtaining a yield
- principles of maintaining crops and the methods used to maximise crop yields
- maintenance techniques for a range of crops, such as:
 - manual thinning
 - selective harvesting
 - training
 - summer and winter pruning
 - hedging
 - skirting
 - topping
 - trimming
 - picking
 - bagging
 - trellising
- maturity or ripeness properties of crops when ready for harvest
- effects of maintenance operations on plant growth, habit and production levels of maintenance operations

- maintenance of soil health and impact on production
- enterprise quality procedures and characteristics of a crop relative to varying market requirements

Assessment Conditions

Assessors must satisfy current standards for RTOs. Assessors must also hold a nationally accredited Certificate III (or higher) in Permaculture. Completion of a Permaculture Design Course (PDC) is not sufficient at this level.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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