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AHC51812 Diploma of Organic Farming

Release 1

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Modification History

Release	TP Version	Comments
1	AHC10v4	Initial release

Description

This Diploma of Organic Farming reflects the role of personnel working within an organic farming enterprise who manage enterprise production units, manage the certification and continued compliance with organic standards and develop and maintain organic produce supply chains. It is designed to meet the needs of owners and managers of organic farming enterprises.

This Qualification is suitable for people currently working or who wish to find employment on an organic farming enterprise or who own an organic farming enterprise.

Job Roles: Job roles and titles will vary. Possible job titles relevant to this Qualification include:

- Organic farm production manager
- Organic supply chain manager

Pathways Information

Pathways into the Qualification

This Qualification may be accessed by direct entry or following completion of the Certificate IV in Organic Production.

Pathways from the Qualification

Further training pathways from this Qualification include, but are not limited to, Advanced Diploma of Agriculture.

Licensing/Regulatory Information

There is no licensing or regulatory requirement specifically satisfied as a result of completing this Qualification.

Entry Requirements

There are no entry requirements for this Qualification.

Employability Skills Summary

Employability Skill	Industry/enterprise requirements for this Qualification include:
Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading and interpreting workplace related documentation and codes of practice. • Interpreting the needs of internal/external customers, especially in relation to the organic supply chain. • Establishing/using networks. • Writing to audience needs.
Teamwork	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with diverse individuals and groups. • Applying knowledge of own role as a part of a team. • Applying teamwork skills to a range of situations. • Identifying and using the strengths of other team members.
Problem-solving	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing practical and creative solutions to workplace problems. • Applying a range of strategies in problem solving. • Listening to and resolving concerns in relation to workplace issues.
Initiative and enterprise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifying opportunities that might not be obvious to others. • Generating a range of options in response to workplace matters. • Translating ideas into action. • Developing innovative solutions.
Planning and organising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taking initiative and making decisions within workplace role. • Working within or establishing clear project goals and deliverables. • Determining or applying required resources. • Allocating people and other resources to tasks and workplace requirements.
Self-management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring and evaluating own performance. • Taking responsibility at the appropriate level, especially in relation to organic standards and compliance.
Learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Being open to learning, new ideas and techniques. • Learning in order to accommodate change. • Managing own learning.
Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using technology and related workplace equipment. • Using technology to organise data. • Applying technology as a management tool.

Packaging Rules

Completion of 10 Units of Competency comprising two (2) core Units and eight (8) elective Units.

Core Units of Competency

Unit code	Unit title
AHCORG505A	Develop and monitor a sustainable production plan
AHCORG501A	Develop an organic management plan

Elective Units of Competency

- select two (2) Units from Group A
- select five (5) Units from Groups A or B
- select one (1) Unit from Groups A, Group B or from Units packaged in Certificate IV, Diploma or Advanced Diploma in AHC10 or from any other currently endorsed Training Package or accredited course

Selected Units must be relevant to job outcomes in agriculture.

GROUP A

Unit code	Unit title
AHCNAR506A	Develop and implement sustainable land use strategies
AHCORG401A	Manage biodynamic production
AHCORG402A	Manage organic livestock production
AHCORG403A	Manage organic soil improvement
AHCORG502A	Prepare the enterprise for organic certification
AHCORG503A	Design and document an organic farm landscape
AHCORG504A	Develop and manage a community based marketing supply chain
AHCORG506A	Manage an agro-ecology production system

GROUP B Agribusiness

Unit code	Unit title
AHCAGB501A	Develop climate risk management strategies
AHCBUS502A	Market products and services
AHCBUS503A	Negotiate and monitor contracts
AHCBUS505A	Develop a marketing plan
AHCBUS508A	Prepare and monitor budgets and financial reports
AHCMER501A	Develop a sales strategy for rural products
BSBFIM501A	Manage budgets and financial plans
TLIR4003A	Negotiate a contract

Business

Unit code	Unit title
AHCBUS501A	Manage staff
AHCBUS506A	Develop and review a business plan
AHCBUS507A	Monitor and review business performance
BSBR501B	Manage risk

Broadacre cropping

Unit code	Unit title
AHCBAC501A	Manage agricultural crop production
AHCBAC503A	Manage integrated crop and pasture production
AHCBAC505A	Plan and manage long-term weed, pest and/or disease control in crops
AHCBAC506A	Manage the harvest of crops
AHCBAC507A	Develop production plans for crops

Production horticulture

Unit code	Unit title
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AHCPHT502A	Develop a horticultural production plan
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Livestock

Unit code	Unit title
AHCLSK501A	Manage livestock production
AHCLSK502A	Arrange marketing of livestock
AHCLSK503A	Develop and implement a breeding strategy
AHCLSK504A	Develop livestock health and welfare strategies
AHCLSK505A	Develop production plans for livestock

Water

Unit code	Unit title
AHCIRG503A	Design irrigation, drainage and water treatment systems
AHCWAT502A	Manage water systems

Chemicals

Unit code	Unit title
AHCCHM401A	Minimise risks in the use of chemicals

Work health and safety

Unit code	Unit title
AHCOHS501A	Manage Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) processes

Work

Unit code	Unit title
AHCWRK501A	Plan, implement and review a quality assurance program
AHCWRK502A	Collect and manage data
AHCWRK504A	Assess new industry developments
AHCWRK511A	Develop workplace policy and procedures for sustainability

