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Assessment Requirements for FWPFGM2207 Undertake brushcutting operations

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Modification History

Release	Comment
Release 1	<p>Replaces equivalent unit FPIFGM2207B Undertake brushcutting operations, which was first released with FPI11 Forest and Forest Products Training Package Version 2.2. This is the first release of this unit in the new standards format.</p> <p>Assessment requirements now specify the performance and knowledge evidence, as well as assessment conditions for this unit of competency. These sections simplify and replace components used in the previous unit format, including Required Skills and Knowledge, Evidence Guide and Range Statement</p>

Performance Evidence

A person demonstrating competency in this unit must satisfy all of the elements, performance criteria and foundation skills of this unit. If a specific volume or frequency is not stated below, then evidence must be provided that the following requirements have been performed on at least one occasion:

- assess, plan and safely complete brushcutting jobs in line with work order prescribing areas and types of vegetation to be cut
- on completion of each of the above jobs:
 - dispose of cut vegetation in line with environmental protection practices
 - complete operator maintenance tasks including oil, fuel, safety checks, cleaning, lubricating, adjustments
 - complete basic records for equipment faults and maintenance requirements.

Knowledge Evidence

A person competent in this unit must be able to demonstrate knowledge of:

- typical workplace hazards associated with operating brushcutters and methods of minimising risks:
 - ground growth
 - ground slope
 - ground hazards
 - noise
 - weather
 - kickback

- flying objects
- safe working distances from other people present
- purpose, features and safe operation of brushcutters
- the correct ergonomic position in which to conduct brushcutter operations, including using a safety harness and handle adjustments
- methods for assessing blade condition, removing and replacing
- operator maintenance tasks including oil, fuel, safety checks, cleaning, lubricating, adjustments
- different types of vegetation and the appropriate brushcutting methods
- environmental protection practices for disposing of cut vegetation:
 - recycling vegetation where appropriate
 - sending vegetation to landfill only where it cannot be recycled
 - redirecting vegetation for energy recovery.
- organisational procedures specific to brushcutting operations:
- workplace health and safety with particular emphasis on equipment lock out and use of personal protective equipment
- communication reporting lines
 - recording and reporting equipment faults and maintenance requirements.

Assessment Conditions

The following resources must be made available:

- brushcutters
- maintenance tools and equipment for removing and replacing blades
- consumable fuel, brushcutter blades and other components
- personal protective equipment suitable for operating brushcutters
- manufacturers' instructions for use and maintenance of equipment
- work order with specific instructions for brushcutting operations
- template documents for recording equipment faults and maintenance requirements
- relevant personnel for the purposes of communicating information
- organisational procedures for operating brushcutters.

Competency is to be assessed in the workplace or a simulated environment that accurately reflects performance in a real workplace setting.

Assessor requirements

Assessors must:

- hold the appropriate assessor competency standards as outlined in regulations; and
- be able to demonstrate vocational competencies at least to the level being assessed; and
- be able to demonstrate how they are continuing to develop their VET knowledge and skills as well as maintaining their industry currency and assessor competence.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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