



Australian Government

**Assessment Requirements for MSS014003
Optimise sustainability of a process or plant
area**

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Modification History

Release 1. Supersedes and is equivalent to MSS014003A Optimise sustainability of a process or plant area.

Performance Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy the requirements of the elements and performance criteria and include the ability, for one or more process or plant area, to:

- analyse and evaluate current production performance, and develop and implement plans to optimise process systems
- determine sustainability impacts of current processes and products in work area
- develop proposals for improvement to processes that are measurable and positively impact on sustainability.

Knowledge Evidence

Must provide evidence that demonstrates knowledge relevant to their job role sufficient to fulfil their job role independently, including:

- principles and theory of the process, equipment and systems used in the work area
- support functions needed for effective functioning of the process or work area, such as logistics, order processing, warehousing and storage, maintenance and administration
- organisational standard procedures and work instructions
- relevant regulatory requirements, including those related to sustainability and work health and safety (WHS) risk control, as appropriate to process/plant area optimisation
- starting quantity and quality of materials
- efficiency maximisation processes relevant to work area
- throughput maximisation processes relevant to work area
- energy efficiency concepts relevant to work area
- potential ecological impacts of work area processes or products
- use of utilities
- labour utilisation concepts relevant to work area
- minimisation of waste and rework
- potential of improved workplace layout and workflow.

Assessment Conditions

- The unit should be assessed holistically and the judgement of competence shall be based on a holistic assessment of the evidence.

- The collection of performance evidence is best done from a report and/or folio of evidence drawn from:
 - a single project which provides sufficient evidence of the requirements of all the elements and performance criteria
 - multiple smaller projects which together provide sufficient evidence of the requirements of all the elements and performance criteria.
- A third party report, or similar, may be needed to testify to the work done by the individual, particularly when the project has been done as part of a project team.
- Assessment should use a real project where optimising the sustainability performance of a complete work area in a plant or part of the value chain occurs in an operational workplace.
- Knowledge evidence may be collected concurrently with performance evidence or through an independent process such as workbooks, written assessments or interviews (provided a record is kept).
- Assessment processes and techniques must be appropriate to the language, literacy and numeracy requirements of the work being performed and the needs of the candidate.
- Conditions for assessment must include access to all tools, equipment, materials and documentation required including relevant workplace procedures, product and manufacturing specifications associated with this unit.
- Foundation skills are integral to competent performance of the unit and should not be assessed separately.
- Assessors must satisfy the assessor competency requirements that are in place at the time of the assessment as set by the VET regulator.
- The assessor must demonstrate both technical competency and currency.
- Technical competence can be demonstrated through:
 - relevant VET or other qualification/Statement of Attainment AND/OR
 - relevant workplace experience
- Currency can be demonstrated through:
 - performing the competency being assessed as part of current employment OR
 - having consulted with an organisation providing relevant environmental monitoring, management or technology services about performing the competency being assessed within the last twelve months.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=5b04f318-804f-4dc0-9463-c3fb9a3fe998>