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AHCBIO303 Apply biosecurity measures

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Modification History

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Release 1	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 6.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to interpret and apply control measures in a biosecurity plan to protect a site from the entry and spread of biosecurity threats.

The unit applies to individuals who work under broad direction and take responsibility for their own work. They use discretion and judgement in the selection, allocation and use of available resources.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Biosecurity (BIO)

Elements and Performance Criteria

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<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Identify biosecurity threats and determine control measures for site	1.1 Access and interpret site biosecurity plan and information 1.2 Identify biosecurity hazards and threats for the site 1.3 Identify control measures to minimise the risk of identified biosecurity threats 1.4 Determine responsibilities for applying control measures in regular work routines and confirm with supervisor

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2. Apply biosecurity control measures to site activities	2.1 Apply control measures identified in site biosecurity plan for all activities according to workplace procedures 2.2 Incorporate the site control measures into work routines seeking clarification from supervisor according to workplace procedures
3. Monitor biosecurity procedures	3.1 Monitor effectiveness of control measures 3.2 Monitor work duties of site personnel to ensure biosecurity control measures are applied appropriately 3.3 Report issues and concerns for biosecurity according to workplace procedures 3.4 Maintain currency in biosecurity measures applicable to workplace 3.5 Record inputs and outputs for traceability of activity according to workplace procedures and legislative requirements

Foundation Skills

This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria.

Skill	Description
Learning	• Apply a range of learning strategies in structured and familiar contexts to maintain currency in biosecurity
Reading	• Analyse and consolidate information and data from a range of sources which apply to biosecurity measures
Writing	• Accurately complete workplace and regulatory biosecurity records using clear and industry relevant terminology
Oral Communication	• Effectively participate in verbal exchanges including active listening and questioning and reading of verbal and non-verbal signals to convey and clarify information

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
AHC BIO303 Apply biosecurity measures	AHC BIO305 Apply biosecurity measures	Changed unit code Minor changes to Performance Criteria to be inclusive of non-farm environments Updated Performance Evidence and Knowledge Evidence	Equivalent

Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: -
<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>

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Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit. There must be evidence that on at least one occasion the individual has applied biosecurity measures, including:

- located and interpreted site biosecurity plans and information to inform control measures
- identified biosecurity hazards and threats for the site and determined control measures
- determined responsibilities for applying control measures
- incorporated and applied biosecurity control measures into work routines according to the biosecurity plan
- maintained records for traceability of input and output data
- monitored control measures for effectiveness
- monitored workplace personnel for compliance with biosecurity control measures
- reported biosecurity issues and concerns according to procedures
- maintained currency in biosecurity.

Knowledge Evidence

An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:

- principles and practices of biosecurity on different sites, including:
 - production agriculture
 - amenity and production horticulture
 - conservations and land management including the natural landscape
- sources of biosecurity information, including:
 - government and industry websites
 - technical and research papers
 - journals
 - training
 - on farm resources, standard operating procedures, mandatory documentation

- biosecurity plans and their function
- biosecurity threats, including:
 - vertebrate pests
 - plants
 - diseases
 - invertebrate pests
- risk assessment principles, standards and regulations for biosecurity
- control measures to minimise the threats entering or spreading into, or from, the site, including:
 - inputs
 - outputs
 - movement of people
 - movement of animals
 - vehicles and equipment
 - production practices
 - feral and wild animals, pests and weeds
- record keeping for traceability, both trace back and trace forward, of inputs and outputs
- processes for monitoring effectiveness of control measures
- process for reporting biosecurity concerns and issues.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - skills must be demonstrated on a site that has exposure to potential biosecurity threats or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - digital technology and websites to access current biosecurity information
 - tools and equipment required to implement control measures
 - recording system relevant to biosecurity
- specifications:
 - workplace biosecurity plans, procedures, records,
 - workplace instructions, job specifications or work routines
 - regulations, legislation, codes of practice relevant to biosecurity
- relationships:
 - supervisor.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

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