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Assessment Requirements for AHCGRI502 Design vertical gardens and green facades

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Modification History

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

Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.

There must be evidence that the individual has designed one vertical garden with a minimum of 4 square metres, and one green facade with a minimum of 4 square metres, and has:

- met design brief and project parameters
- consulted with green infrastructure specialists, building and/or landscape professionals
- complied with relevant regulatory authorities' policies and procedures, building regulations, standards and codes
- complied with the project design parameters set by an engineer or specialist
- used measurements and formulas to calculate material quantities, weights and estimated project costs
- incorporated provision of access and egress for construction and maintenance
- developed and documented a maintenance program to ensure sustainability of the green infrastructure.

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:

- professional practice requirements in green infrastructure design, including:
 - limitations and boundaries
 - roles and responsibilities of building professionals and authorities
- factors influencing vertical gardens and green facade design for existing and new buildings
- relevant legislation, standards and codes, including the National Construction Code (NCC)
- recirculating and non-recirculating/flood-drain vertical garden systems
- site analysis, including:

- climatic factors of wind, temperature, sunlight, rainfall and irrigation
- drainage
- site access for construction and installation and ongoing maintenance
- reasons for creating vertical gardens and green facades, including:
 - environmental
 - economic
 - social
- features, benefits and risks of vertical gardens and green facades
- characteristics, properties and limitations of materials used for vertical gardens and green facades, including:
 - water-proofing material
 - substrate
 - green facade root barrier
 - drainage and irrigation systems
 - storing and recycling water systems
 - lighting systems
- characteristics, properties and limitations of plants used for vertical gardens and green facades
- types of vertical garden and green facade construction, including:
 - panel system
 - modular system
- properties of vertical gardens and green facades
- project cost estimating, including:
 - materials and labour
 - build costs, including transporting and storing materials and equipment, and provision of safety equipment
 - ongoing maintenance.

Assessment Conditions

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

- physical conditions:
 - skills must be demonstrated in a design workplace or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- specifications:
 - manufacturer's fixing and fastening specifications for vertical garden and green facade systems
 - building regulations, standards and codes relevant to green infrastructure design
- relationships:
 - clients to discuss vertical garden and green facade design requirements

- building and/or landscape/horticultural professionals to consult with on construction/installation of vertical gardens and green facades and regulatory requirements.

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

Links

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