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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 2	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 10.0.
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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 the individual has assisted with medicinal cannabis care and maintenance tasks on at least two occasions for a vegetative cycle and at least two occasions for a flowering cycle, including:

- prepared, cleaned and applied sanitation procedures on self and the required tools, equipment and materials, and work area
- applied the required trimming and training techniques as instructed by supervisor
- repotted and safely transferred plants between vegetative and flowering areas
- performed regular counts and weight checks of plants
- checked and monitored plant health and environmental climate conditions during the vegetative and flowering cycle
- identified common plant health issues and signs of disease and pests
- complied with security and plant waste disposal regulatory requirements
- maintained accurate workplace records on care and maintenance activities
- communicated any safety concerns, abnormalities or deviations from quantities and counts.

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:

- medicinal cannabis during the vegetative and flowering cycles, including:
 - plant morphology
 - signs of common plant health issues, including nutrient deficiencies or excesses, environmental stress such as water, temperature and humidity stress, mould

- signs of common diseases and pests
- common problems associated with performing maintenance activities, and process for reporting these
- principles of Good Agricultural and Collection Practices (GACP) in relation to the maintenance of medicinal cannabis plants during the vegetative and flowering cycles, including:
 - hygiene and sanitation, including for tools, equipment and the work area and personal hygiene
 - health and safety, including manual handling
 - quality controls
 - trimming and training techniques, including techniques used for preserving mother plants
 - repotting techniques
 - different water and nutrient requirements for vegetative cycles, including mother plants, and flowering cycles
 - different climate requirements, including ideal target lighting intensity, carbon dioxide, temperature and humidity levels for vegetative cycles, including mother plants, and flowering cycles
 - monitoring plant health and environmental climate conditions
 - disposal and destruction of plant waste
 - identification and traceability
 - recording and reporting requirements
 - biosecurity measures
- regulations and compliance related to the physical security of cannabis
- function and operation of tools and equipment used for maintaining medicinal cannabis plants, including approval and operational checks
- function and operation of growing systems, including their control systems.
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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 medicinal cannabis production site or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - growing system
 - personal protective equipment
 - plants during their vegetative and flowering stages
 - tools, equipment and materials required for care and maintenance tasks
 - tools, equipment and materials for cleaning and sanitation

- workplace recording and reporting system
- specifications:
 - maintenance specifications and monitoring schedule
 - workplace procedures relating to the maintenance of medicinal cannabis, including health and safety, hygiene and sanitation, recording and reporting and security requirements
- relationships:
 - supervisor.

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>