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Modification History

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Release 1	This version released with Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 9.0.

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 provided appropriate information on Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Peoples' cultural practice at least once and has:

- followed cultural protocols when carrying out work including seeking permissions from Cultural Authorities and local Communities
- investigated cultural practices in accordance with cultural protocols
- accessed and provided appropriate information on cultural practices
- determined relationships between on Country, seasons, and spirituality
- identified plants, animals and resources used for medicine and food in a local area
- provided information on cultural practices in accordance with local cultural protocols
- collected plant and animal samples using appropriate equipment according to organisational requirements
- applied environmentally sustainable work practices when working on Country
- used common and/or Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander names for plants and animals, as appropriate
- applied work health and safety practices in the context of own work.

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:

- local Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander guidelines and/or protocols that may include:
 - use of images and voices
 - acknowledgement and respect for cultural identity, practices and beliefs
 - openness and transparency in communication

- asking permissions
- methods for documenting observations
- environmental sustainability requirements according to organisational procedures
- minimising disruption or degradation to an area including:
 - not removing or disturbing plant material
 - disposing of all waste or litter
 - walking or driving on designated tracks and pathways
- equipment including:
 - digital recording equipment
 - computers or laptops
 - smart phones
 - cameras and video equipment
 - safety equipment required for observation activities, including personal protective equipment
- instruction manuals for operating equipment
- plant and animal uses and significance relating to a local Community, group or region
- common and Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander names for plants and animals significant to the local Community
- cultural protocols relevant to region, local Community and groups
- role and rights of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Peoples in maintaining and controlling cultural practices
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Peoples' protocols for identifying individuals who are authorised to share information in relation to cultural practices
- intellectual and cultural property rights
- the principles of free, prior and informed consent in decision-making processes
- requirements for ensuring the welfare of animals according to organisational procedures

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 Country and/or within an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- specifications:
 - legislation/codes of practice relevant to providing information on Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Peoples' cultural practice
 - organisation's policies and procedures relevant to providing information on Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Peoples' cultural practice
- relationships:
 - local Community Elders and/or Custodians.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards. In addition, the following specific assessor requirements apply to this unit:

- Assessment must be undertaken by a workplace assessor who has expertise in this unit of competency and who is:

an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Elder and/or Custodian or:

- accompanied by, and/or in communication with, an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person who is a recognised member of the community with experience and knowledge of local cultural protocols.

Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>