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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 4.0.

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 prepared an enterprise for organic or biodynamic certification on at least one occasion and has:

- identified requirements for organic certification and applied them to the workplace
- identified critical points in supply chain at which the organic or biodynamic integrity of the product may be compromised
- implemented and monitored effective risk management for those parts of supply chain under their control
- identified and documented practices and strategies to minimise the risk of contamination and non-conformance with organic or biodynamic standards
- developed an operational plan for conversion to organic or biodynamic production.

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:

- certification process
- chain of custody
- Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP) principles and risk management
- health and food safety requirements and issues
- labelling requirements for domestic and export markets
- market for organic produce, including the organic movement and organic industry
- National Standard for Organic or Biodynamic Produce
- principles of organic or biodynamic agriculture
- procedures and responsibilities in the case of product recall
- procedures for conducting and documenting a risk assessment
- regulatory requirements and their domestic and international contexts
- role of quality management systems in organic industry including documentation and record keeping requirements

- working knowledge of the regulated organic industry, including the role of the government, certification bodies and inspectors.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - a workplace setting or an environment that accurately represent workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - literature, publications and internet sources of information relevant to organic or biodynamic certification
 - certification process requirements
- specifications:
 - National Standard for Organic or Biodynamic Produce
- relationships:
 - work colleagues
- timeframes:
 - according to the job 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>