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Modification History

Release	TP Version	Comment
1	AHCv1.0	Initial release

Performance Evidence

The candidate must be assessed on their ability to integrate and apply the performance requirements of this unit in a workplace setting. Performance must be demonstrated consistently over time and in a suitable range of contexts.

The candidate must provide evidence that they can:

- Identify common features of permaculture Zone 1 gardens
- identify and check the required materials, tools and equipment
- prepare a garden area for planting plants, seeds or seedlings
- determine the appropriate watering regime and nutrient requirements for the plantings
- harvest plant yields
- store the plant yields

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must demonstrate knowledge of:

- the characteristics of permaculture Zone 1 gardens
 - how permaculture gardens differ from conventional gardens
 - functions and yields of plants in a Zone 1 garden
 - observing nature and learning from it
- principles of planting in permaculture systems, such as:
 - aspect
 - planting patterns
 - companion planting
 - the soil-water-plant relationship
- plant care techniques and plant nutrition, such as:
 - the role of composts, worm castings, green manures, animal manures and support species in permaculture plant care
 - when to leave weeds, chop-and-drop and mulching
 - simple pest protection (cages, rings, stakes and nets)

- simple climate protection (sun/frost/wind)
- how to reuse and recycle excess products of plant care

Assessment Conditions

Assessors must satisfy current standards for RTOs. Assessors must also hold a nationally accredited Certificate III qualification (or higher) in Permaculture and/or have completed a Permaculture Design Course (PDC) and/or have completed the Permaculture Demonstrator Skill Set.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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