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AHCPER212 Use and maintain garden hand tools and equipment

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1	AHCv1.0	Initial release

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to use and maintain garden hand tools and equipment. It requires knowledge of the correct purpose and function of garden hand tools and equipment and their maintenance needs.

All work is carried out to comply with workplace procedures.

This unit applies to individuals who work under general supervision and exercise limited autonomy with some accountability for their own work. They undertake defined activities and work in a structured context.

No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements are known to apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil.

Unit Sector

Permaculture (PER)

Elements and Performance Criteria

Element	Performance criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.
1. Identify and describe uses of tools	1.1 Correctly identify garden hand tools and equipment 1.2 Describe the correct purpose of each tool and how to use it correctly 1.3 Describe the maintenance and storage requirements for the tools
2. Use tools for their	2.1 Ensure safe work practices are complied with

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designed purpose	2.2 Undertake tasks using garden hand tools and equipment correctly 2.3 Return tools used to the storage area and stow correctly
3. Clean, maintain and store garden hand tools and equipment	3.1 Identify tools that need repairs or maintenance 3.2 Undertake regular tool maintenance tasks 3.3 Store garden hand tools and equipment properly to ensure long service

Foundation Skills

Foundation Skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

Range of Conditions

Unit Mapping Information

New unit.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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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:

- describe uses of tools and equipment
- use a range of garden hand tools and equipment properly
- clean, maintain and store garden hand tools and equipment

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must demonstrate knowledge of:

- permaculture principles and practices related to garden tool use and maintenance
- principles of sustainable horticultural practices
- ergonomics
- garden hand tools and equipment used in permaculture systems, such as:
 - spades and shovels
 - forks
 - trowels
 - rakes
 - scythes and sickles
 - hand mowers
 - secateurs & loppers
 - picks & mattocks
 - pruning saws and bow saws
 - club hammer and sledge hammer
- maintaining tools and equipment in good condition, such as:
 - replacing dulled blades
 - replacing broken handles

- lubricating moving parts
- adjusting mechanisms
- sharpening and honing blades
- storage techniques for hand tools and equipment
- carrying and transporting hand tools and equipment safely

Assessment Conditions

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

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