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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 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 implemented at least one of each of the following:

- a permaculture crop maintenance program
- a permaculture crop harvesting program.

There must also be evidence that the individual has:

- interpreted site requirements, crop maintenance and crop harvesting, plans and schedules
- instructed work team and implemented harvest and maintenance plans according to industry standards and workplace procedures.

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:

- permaculture principles and practices related to obtaining a yield
- principles of maintaining crops and the methods used to maximise crop yields
- maintenance techniques for a range of crops, including:
 - seasonal pruning, thinning and hedging techniques
 - training and trellising
- maturity or ripeness properties of crops when ready for harvest and harvesting techniques, including:
 - selective harvesting
 - picking
- effects of maintenance operations on plant growth, habit and production levels of maintenance operations
- maintenance of soil health and impact on production

- enterprise quality procedures and characteristics of a crop relative to varying market requirements
- workplace health and safety and environmental policies and 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 in a permaculture cropping system or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - tools and equipment for crop maintenance and harvesting
 - personal protective equipment
- specifications:
 - workplace policies, procedures, processes
 - access to manufacturer operating instructions for equipment
 - permaculture crop maintenance and harvesting plans and specifications
 - access to specific permaculture codes of practice
- relationships:
 - work team.

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>