



Australian Government

AHCPGD209 Prune shrubs and small trees

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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 7.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to prune shrubs and small trees that are less than three meters in height, including identifying pruning requirements, undertaking pruning and completing pruning work.

The unit applies to individuals who prune shrubs and small trees under general supervision with limited autonomy or accountability.

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

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Parks and Gardens (PGD)

Elements and Performance Criteria

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<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Identify pruning requirements	1.1 Confirm plants that require pruning and pruning method with supervisor 1.2 Identify workplace health and safety hazards, assess risks and report to supervisor 1.3 Check and confirm proximity of powerlines and obstacles with supervisor 1.4 Select, prepare and use pruning tools and equipment appropriate

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	for the location, access and size of material to be pruned 1.5 Select, fit and use personal protective equipment (PPE) applicable to the task 1.6 Carry out pre-operational and safety checks on pruning tools and equipment
2. Undertake pruning of shrubs and small trees	2.1 Operate machinery, equipment and tools as directed 2.2 Carry out pruning as directed 2.3 Use correct manual handling techniques when lifting or moving heavy loads
3. Complete work	3.1 Remove and dispose of or recycle rubbish and plant waste material 3.2 Clean, maintain and store tools and equipment 3.3 Report work outcomes and malfunctions, faults, wear or damage of tools to supervisor

Foundation Skills

This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria.

Skill	Description
Oral Communication	- Use clear language to report malfunctions, faults, wear or damage to tools - Participate in verbal exchanges to respond to questions and clarify information

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
AHCPGD209 Prune shrubs and small trees	AHCPGD203 Prune shrubs and small trees	Minor changes to application	Not equivalent

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		Major changes to performance criteria Foundation skills added Assessment requirements updated	

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