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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 2	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 3.0.
Release 1	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 1.0.

Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit. There must be evidence that on at least one occasion the individual has demonstrated that they can work effectively in a pest management environment, including:

- recognised common pests and identified the characteristics and impact on community
- identified and monitored effectiveness of pest management plans for pests recognised for impact on workplace performance
- identified, selected and safely used equipment required to implement pest management program
- identified and took corrective action for equipment faults
- recognised and implemented workplace strategies for controlling pests
- applied health and safety in the workplace and environmental practices and procedures ethically according to legislative requirements
- identified permissions, licences and necessary permits required prior to entering properties
- followed safe waste disposal procedures
- prepared and used communication and navigational equipment relevant to workplace requirements
- assisted with identifying key stakeholders and contributed to stakeholder engagement
- used communication strategies to engage with supervisor and stakeholders
- complied with designated timelines
- maintained pest management records according to 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:

- common pest management methods, strategies and monitoring techniques for specific pest species
- standard operating procedures and codes of practice applicable to pest control
- invasive pest species common to field of work and their harmful impact, including:
 - signs and symptoms of active pests
 - effect of pests on work environment
- basic environmental considerations when controlling pests, including:
 - spray drift and off target damage
 - inversion
 - re-entry period
 - residues
 - chemical handling
- pest control strategies, including:
 - cultural
 - chemical
 - mechanical
 - biological
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- risk factors, including human, health and environmental associated with the pest management activity
- record keeping and reporting processes and procedures, including:
 - databases
 - paper based
 - mandatory reporting
- licenses, permits and permissions when entering properties
- common equipment used for, controlling pests, navigating and communicating on properties, including:
 - calibration requirements
 - basic operation principles
 - maintenance and repairs
- health and safety in the workplace procedures and legislative requirements.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - skills must be demonstrated in the field or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - live pests for identification and control
 - tools and equipment for pest control, navigation and communications

- personal protective equipment
- specifications:
 - workplace documents including policies, procedures, processes, instructions, records and forms
 - manufacturers' operating instructions for specific equipment, machinery
 - relevant legislation, regulations and codes of practice
- relationships:
 - industry stakeholders
 - supervisor
- 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>