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Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to operate a mobile hydraulic splitting unit to split timber for use in rural settings or to produce firewood.

The unit applies to individuals who operate mobile hydraulic splitting equipment as part of forestry operations.

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

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Common Technical (COT)

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. Prepare for splitting operations	1.1 Determine job requirements from work order or instruction, and where required seek clarification from appropriate personnel 1.2 Confirm production targets and assess wood flow requirements to ensure efficient machine operation and overall productivity 1.3 Confirm safety and environmental requirements for the task according to workplace procedures 1.4 Identify, assess and take actions to mitigate risks and hazards associated with machine operations

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	1.5 Identify emergency plan procedures to follow in the event of an incident or accident 1.6 Identify type and quantity of timber blocks to be split and quality requirements for split material 1.7 Consult with appropriate personnel to ensure that work is coordinated effectively with others in the workplace 1.8 Select, use and store personal protective equipment and clothing appropriate to work task 1.9 Conduct pre-operational machinery and fuel checks, and position, secure and adjust hydraulic splitter according to manufacturer recommendations and workplace procedures
2. Split timber and record data	2.1 Select and test vertical or horizontal splitting operations 2.2 Ensure splitter is kept clear of timber shards and debris 2.3 Position and secure timber blocks pre-cut to fit within the hydraulic splitter 2.4 Split timber into sizes that suit standard fireplaces, in line with safe work procedure 2.5 Stack or load split timber for transportation 2.6 Set aside split timber that does not meet size requirements for recycling or re-use according to workplace procedures 2.7 Record and report production outcomes and equipment faults to appropriate personnel, according to workplace procedures
3. Carry out machine operator maintenance	3.1 Follow equipment lock-out procedures according to workplace health and safety requirements and workplace procedures 3.2 Conduct visual inspection and fault finding procedures according to manufacturer recommendations and workplace procedures 3.3 Conduct routine operational servicing to maintain optimum operational performance of equipment 3.4 Diagnose faults, malfunctions or problems with equipment and report according to workplace procedures 3.5 Clean and store equipment, attachments and other ancillary equipment 3.6 Record and report splitter operation results according to workplace procedures

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
Reading	- Read production and safety plans relevant to mobile splitting operations - Read standard operating procedures for mobile splitting machines
Writing	Complete paper-based or electronic forms to record production and machine maintenance information
Oral communication	Ask questions to clarify contents of work instructions
Numeracy	Estimate and count number of blocks to be split

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
FWPCOT2267 Operate mobile hydraulic log splitter	FWPHAR2205 Conduct mobile splitting operations	Updated title Updated Elements and Performance Criteria Reworded Performance Evidence Updated Knowledge Evidence Updated Foundation Skills and Assessment Conditions	Not equivalent

Links

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Assessment Requirements for FWPCOT2267 Operate mobile hydraulic log splitter

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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 set up, adjusted and used a mobile hydraulic splitter to split timber for one job/work order.

In performing this activity, the individual has:

- followed safety procedures, including the use of personal protective equipment (PPE) and emergency response to forest fire
- determined type and quantity of timber blocks to be split
- confirmed quality specifications for the split material
- selected and used a suitable splitting method for the task
- stacked or loaded for transportation split timber and timber assigned for re-use and recycling
- disposed of timber residues following environmental protection requirements
- recorded and reported timber splitting production outcomes and equipment faults according to workplace procedures
- performed machine operator maintenance on a hydraulic splitter 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:

- procedures for emergency response to forest fire
- safe work procedures for conducting mobile splitting operations
- environmental protection requirements, including re-use, recycling or safe disposal of waste material
- procedures for hazard identification and risk assessment and control in the work area, involving hazards and risks in mobile splitting operations

- procedures for recording and reporting timber splitting production outcomes and equipment faults
- fuels for mobile hydraulic splitters
- procedures for safe handling, use, transport and storage of fuel
- operation and safety features of mobile hydraulic splitters
- operator maintenance on mobile hydraulic splitter, and lock-out procedures
- use of PPE and clothing relevant to mobile splitting operations.

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 forest or wood products work environment or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - commercial quantity of pre-cut timber blocks
 - mobile hydraulic splitter and associated tools, equipment and materials
 - PPE required for operating mobile hydraulic splitter
- specifications:
 - work order or instruction detailing timber splitting task to be carried out
 - workplace health, safety and environmental policies and procedures applicable to the use of a mobile hydraulic splitter
 - workplace procedures related to the use of a mobile hydraulic splitter
 - manufacturer manual for mobile hydraulic splitter.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

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