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Modification History

Release	Comment
1	Replaces equivalent unit FPICOT5205A Develop biohazard contingency plans which was first released with FPI11 Forest and Forest Products Training Package Version 2.2. Assessment requirements now specify the performance and knowledge evidence, as well as assessment conditions for this unit of competency. These sections simplify and replace components used in the previous unit format, including 'Required Skills and Knowledge, Evidence Guide and Range Statement'.

Performance Evidence

A person demonstrating competency in this unit must satisfy all of the elements, performance criteria and foundation skills of this unit, and must be able to provide evidence that they can:

- Develop a comprehensive written plan to manage the risk of biohazard incidents involving fungal, viral, bacterial, insect and vertebrate infestations.
- Incorporate these inclusions in the plan:
 - risk assessment for the potential of biohazard infestations from operational activities
 - estimates of social, economic and environmental impacts of biohazard infestations
 - routine infestation treatments and action plans to avoid infestations
 - controls and action plans which would be used in the event of an infestation to limit the spread
 - training and induction processes to communicate responsibilities for implementing plans.
- Organise required support and resources
- Review plan and incorporate improvements

Knowledge Evidence

A person competent in this unit must be able to demonstrate knowledge of:

- Purpose and key content and of applicable commonwealth, state or territory legislation and regulation relevant to managing biohazards and controlling infestations.
- Industry and organisational standards for managing the traceability chain of biohazard documentation.

- Characteristics of a range of potential biohazards present in forest and wood products industry operations, including:
 - fungal hazards
 - viral hazards
 - bacterial hazards
 - insect hazards
 - vertebrate hazards.
- Methods used to control biohazard infestations and limit the spread, including:
 - eradication
 - quarantine
 - fumigation
 - use of pesticides
 - use of biological controls
 - culling of infected plants.
- Economic impacts of biohazard infestations and methods used to estimate monetary losses, including:
 - loss of forest values
 - loss of current markets
 - loss of potential markets
 - damage to trading status.
- Key features of social and environmental impacts of biohazard infestations.
- Purpose, format, content and use of biohazard contingency plans.
- Methods used to train personnel on the content of biohazard contingency plans and their role in implementing it.
- Organisational procedures for documenting and communicating plans.

Assessment Conditions

The following resources must be made available:

- Computers, keyboards, printers and software used to prepare a biohazard contingency plan.
- Applicable commonwealth, state or territory legislation and regulations relevant to managing biohazards and controlling infestations.
- Industry and organisational standards for managing the **traceability chain** of biohazard documentation.
- Operational procedures for managing risks of biohazard infestations.
- Worksheets and proformas commonly used to develop, implement, monitor and evaluate a biohazard contingency plan.
- Organisational procedures for documenting and communicating plans.

Competency is to be assessed in the workplace or a simulated environment that accurately reflects performance in a real workplace setting.

Assessor requirements

Assessors must:

- Hold the appropriate assessor competency standards as outlined in regulations; and
- be able to demonstrate vocational competencies at least to the level being assessed; and
- be able to demonstrate how they are continuing to develop their VET knowledge and skills as well as maintaining their industry currency and assessor competence.
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Links

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