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Modification History

Release	Comment
1	Replaces equivalent unit FPISAW3223B Assess wood chips, which was first released with FPI11 Forest and Forest Products Training Package Version 2.2. This is the first release of this unit in the new standards format. 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. If a specific volume or frequency is not stated below, then evidence must be provided that the following requirements have been performed on at least one occasion:

- follow organisational policies and procedures relevant to assessing wood chips
- assess wood chips in line with a work order and within prescribed organizational requirements for the following:
 - size distribution
 - shape
 - finish quality
 - contamination
 - faults
- safely use tools, machinery and equipment for assessing wood chips
- identify the following contaminants in wood chips:
 - disease
 - infestation
 - rot
 - paint
 - plastic
 - bark
 - charcoal
 - rock
 - metal
- measure moisture in wood chips

- identify whether wood chips meet requirements for size and shape
- record sampling processes and outcomes of wood chip assessment.

Knowledge Evidence

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

- how wood chips are produced, transported and stored
- environmental protection requirements for the safe disposal of waste or contaminated wood chips
- organisational and site standards, requirements, policies and procedures for assessing wood chips
- environmental risks and hazards
- sampling and testing techniques
- types and characteristics of different wood chips
- visual assessment techniques
- storage systems and labelling
- tools and equipment and their safe use, operation and maintenance during the assessment of wood chips
- procedures for recording and reporting workplace information.

Assessment Conditions

The following resources must be made available:

- wood chips
- equipment for measuring moisture in wood chips
- personal protective equipment
- relevant personnel for the purposes of communicating information
- documents, spreadsheets and commonly used proforma documents
- organisational policies and procedures relevant to assessing wood chips.

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.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=0d96fe23-5747-4c01-9d6f-3509ff8d3d47>