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MSTHL2005 Trim hides, skins or leather

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Application

This unit of competency covers the skills and knowledge required for the range of trimming tasks that are performed to support the production processes in the processing of hide, skin and leather conducted in restricted spaces or exposed conditions or controlled or open environments.

Work may be conducted in small to large scale enterprises and may involve individual and team activities. Work is performed within industry codes, standards and defined procedures, under direct supervision.

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

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Competency Field

Leather production

Unit Sector

Not applicable

Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes.

Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.

1	Determine job requirements	1.1	Follow standard operating procedures (SOPs)
		1.2	Comply with work health and safety (WHS) requirements at all times
		1.3	Use appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) in accordance with SOPs
		1.4	Identify job requirements from specifications, job sheets or work instructions

2	Prepare equipment	2.1	Select knives and check their condition for suitability
		2.2	Sharpen or prepare knives, as required
3	Trim materials	3.1	Confirm with operator or supervisor trimming requirements for required task or process
		3.2	Assess trimming requirements in accordance with workplace procedures
		3.3	Monitor and dispose of waste in accordance with environmental and workplace procedures
4	Clean and store equipment	4.1	Clean equipment in readiness for next application
		4.2	Store equipment after use in accordance with procedures

Foundation Skills

This section describes those required skills (language, literacy and numeracy) that are essential to performance.

Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

Range of Conditions

This field allows for different work environments and conditions that may affect performance. Essential operating conditions that may be present (depending on the work situation, needs of the candidate, accessibility of the item, and local industry and regional contexts) are included.

Workplace procedures include one or more of the following:

- requirements prescribed by legislation, industry codes and standards, awards, agreements and conditions of employment
- SOPs
- work instructions
- oral, written and visual communication
- quality practices, including responsibility for maintenance of own work quality and contribution to quality improvement of team or section output
- housekeeping

	• tasks related to environmental protection, waste disposal, pollution control and recycling • WHS practices
Australian Standards include:	• the relevant industry or Australian Standards that are current at the time this unit is being undertaken
Trimming operations include one or more of the following:	• preparation for tannage (sheepskin, bovine and calf skin) • preparation to crust (flesh split, grain split and sheepskin) • finishing
Sharpened or prepared includes the following:	• cleaning • honing or sharpening
WHS practices	WHS practices must include hazard identification and control, risk assessment and implementation of risk reduction measures specific to the tasks described by this unit, and include one or more of the following: • manual handling techniques • PPE • safe materials handling • ergonomic arrangement of workplaces • following marked walkways • safe storage of equipment • housekeeping • reporting accidents and incidents • other WHS practices relevant to the job and enterprise

Unit Mapping Information

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Performance Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy the requirements of the elements and performance criteria, and include:

- reading and following work instructions, standard operating procedures and safe work practices, industry codes and standards
- using personal protective equipment (PPE), where required
- applying relevant standards
- selecting, sharpening and preparing knives applicable to the required task
- trimming materials in accordance with procedures on at least two (2) occasions
- monitoring and disposing of waste in accordance with environmental procedures
- cleaning, maintaining and storing equipment appropriately.

Knowledge Evidence

Evidence must be provided that demonstrates knowledge of:

- safe work practices and procedures and use of PPE
- relevant Australian Standards
- industry and product processes and equipment
- trimming requirements
- procedures for knife handling, sharpening, and storing
- processes for waste monitoring
- quality standards and manual handling procedures
- work health and safety (WHS) and environmental aspects of relevant processes, particularly working with sharp objects
- relevant federal and state or territory legislative or regulatory requirements
- recording and reporting procedures.

Assessment Conditions

- Assessors must:
 - satisfy the assessor competency requirements that are in place at the time of the assessment, as set by the VET regulator
 - have vocational competency in trimming hides, skins or leather, at least to the level being assessed, with relevant industry knowledge and experience.

- Assessment should occur in operational workplace situations. Where this is not possible, or where personal safety or environmental damage are limiting factors, assessment must occur in a sufficiently rigorous simulated environment reflecting realistic operational workplace conditions. This must cover all aspects of workplace performance, including environment, task skills, task management skills, contingency management skills and job role environment skills.
- Assessment processes and techniques must be appropriate to the language, literacy and numeracy requirements of the work being performed and the needs of the candidate.
- Conditions for assessment must include access to all tools, equipment, materials and documentation required, including relevant workplace procedures, product and manufacturing specifications associated with this unit.

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