Modification history

Release	Comments
Release 2	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 4.0.
Release 1	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture, Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 1.0.

AHCDRG402	Monitor and control irrigation drainage systems
Application	This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to assess drainage and collection systems, monitor, control, and troubleshoot irrigation drainage systems, clear drainage system blockage or replace blocked section and record and report system performance status.
	The unit applies to individuals who apply specialised skills and knowledge to the monitoring and controlling of irrigation drainage systems and have responsibility for the output of others. This includes applying and communicating non-routine technical solutions to predictable and unpredictable problems.
	No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.
Prerequisite Unit	Nil
Unit Sector	Drainage (DRG)

Elements	Performance Criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.
1. Assess irrigation drainage and collection	1.1 Measure drainage performance 1.2 Measure drainage and tail water quality
systems	1.3 Measure water table depth where required
	1.4 Measure soil salinity where required 1.5 Record results
	1.6 Identify and record factors external to the system which may cause interference
	1.7 Analyse drainage system data and compare to the performance specified in the irrigation drainage plan
2. Regulate flows	2.1 Inspect flow regulating systems and apply adjustments to achieve specified discharge requirements
	2.2 Monitor discharge flows and apply diversions to facilitate repair or
	emergency
3. Control and operate	3.1 Control processes to maintain specified performance
drainage system structures	3.2 Develop and implement maintenance procedures
and processes	3.3 Identify, address and report operational conditions of the drainage system
	3.4 Integrate processes to improve drainage network performance
4. Troubleshoot drainage	4.1 Identify potential hazards and risks and implement safe working
problems	practices to manage risks
	4.2 minimise environmental impacts of drainage system troubleshooting activities
	4.3 Select, fit and use personal protective equipment applicable to the task
	4.4 Conduct a visual inspection to determine damaged or broken
	components and record results
	4.5 Inspect drained areas for signs of water pooling and record problems

Elements	Performance Criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.
5. Clear drainage blockage or replace blocked section	 5.1 Access drainage lines to allow blockage to be cleared 5.2 Clear blockage or replace blocked section 5.3 Test drainage line to confirm blockage is cleared from pipe system 5.4 Repair or reseal drainage line to permit normal use 5.5 Rehabilitate drainage site
6. Record and report system performance status	 6.1 Record and report water quality 6.2 Record and report water table depth, soil moisture and salinity 6.3 Document strategies for dealing with and minimising environmental impacts and maximising positive impacts of the drainage system

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	 Identify and interpret information regarding monitoring and controlling irrigation drainage systems
Writing	Develop irrigation drainage system maintenance procedures
	 Record drainage system performance status
	 Document strategies for minimising environmental impacts and
	maximising positive impacts of drainage system operation
Oral communication	 Use clear language to report operational conditions of the drainage
	system and system performance status
Numeracy	 Measure, calculated and record drainage performance, drainage and tail water quality, water table depth, soil moisture and salinity
Navigate the world of work	 Identify and describe own workplace requirements, including safety requirements, associated with own role and area of responsibility

Unit Mapping Information			
Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
AHCDRG402 Monitor and control irrigation drainage systems Release 2	AHCDRG402 Monitor and control irrigation drainage systems Release 1	Minor changes to performance criteria and foundation skills	Equivalent unit

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Assessment requirements for AHCDRG402 Monitor and control irrigation drainage systems

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 monitored and controlled irrigation drainage systems on at least one occasion and has:

- applied soil moisture testing techniques
- calculated water volumes from rate and depth
- cleared and refilled drainage lines
- cleared blockages from drainage systems
- identified hazards and implement safe work procedures
- isolated drainage lines
- measured water table depth, soil moisture and salinity.

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:

- safe working practices applicable to troubleshooting and clearing irrigation drainage systems and replacing blocked sections of irrigation drainage systems
- principles and practices for monitoring irrigation drainage systems
 - components used in drainage systems
 - isolation processes and procedures
 - levelling and alignment processes
 - types and operational parameters of drains
- environmental impacts of drainage systems
- measuring and monitoring procedures for factors contributing to drainage system performance
- soil moisture measurement procedures
- · water quality monitoring methods and techniques.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - a workplace setting or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - irrigation drainage system water and soil testing equipment and procedures
 - workplace procedures applicable to health and safety in the workplace and monitoring, controlling, troubleshooting and clearing an irrigation drainage systems
 - irrigation drainage system troubleshooting and clearing tools and equipment
 - personal protective equipment applicable to troubleshooting and clearing irrigation drainage systems
- specifications:
 - irrigation drainage plan
- 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.

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