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.

AHCPHT203	Support horticultural crop harvesting	
Application	This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to support horticultural crop harvesting, including preparing equipment for harvesting, harvesting crops and transporting crops.	
	The unit applies to individuals who support horticultural crop harvesting under general supervision and exercise limited autonomy or accountability for their own work.	
	No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.	
Prerequisite Unit	Nil	
Unit Sector	Production horticulture (PHT)	

Elements	Performance Criteria
Elements describe the	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate
essential outcomes.	achievement of the element.
Prepare equipment for	1.1 Carry out pre-operational and safety checks tools, equipment and
harvesting	machinery
	1.2 Recognise workplace hazards and report safety concerns
	1.3 Select, fit and use personal protective equipment applicable to the task
2. Harvest the crop	2.1 Ensure harvesting procedures minimise crop and plant damage
	2.2 Carry out basic sorting and grading
	2.3 Clean and maintain harvesting tools, equipment and machinery
	2.4 Report harvesting problems to supervisor
3. Transport the crop	3.1 Use safe manual handling when handling containers
	3.2 Move and stack containers to minimise damage to the crop
	3.3 Maintain temperature of the harvested crop
	3.4 Transport harvested crop to the processing or storage area
	3.5 Maintain containers in good working order

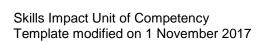
Foundation Skills

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	
Oral Communication	Use clear language, accurate industry terminology and logical structure to report harvesting problems	
Navigate the world of work	Recognise and follow 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
AHCPHT203 Support horticultural crop harvesting Release 2	AHCPHT203 Support horticultural crop harvesting Release 1	Minor changes to performance criteria and foundation skills.	Equivalent unit

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Assessment requirements for AHCPHT203 Support
horticultural crop harvesting

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 supported horticultural crop harvesting on at least two occasions and has:

- · estimated the readiness of produce for picking
- harvested the crop using the correct technique
- selected and graded produce at picking where required
- stacked produce in containers without causing damage or losses
- transported produce according to enterprise requirements.

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:

- principles and practices for harvesting horticultural crops
- enterprise quality procedures
- · grading characteristics of each crop
- recognition of crop maturity of a range of crops
- the effect of adverse climatic conditions which may downgrade the quality of affected crop, prevent or impede harvest operations or severely influence the time taken to complete the harvest program, such as:
 - rain
 - hail
 - · extreme wind with dust
 - very high ultraviolet radiation
- the importance of maintaining quality of produce, including cooling requirements and quick transport to processing areas.

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:
 - · horticultural crop harvesting tools, equipment and machinery
 - personal protective equipment applicable to horticultural crop harvesting
- relationships:
 - supervisor
- timeframes:
 - · according to 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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