Modification history

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with FBP Food, Beverage and Pharmaceutical Training Package Version 5.0

FBPOPR2041X	Operate a mixing or blending and cooking process	
Application	This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to set up, operate, adjust and shut down a mixing or blending and cooking process.	
	This unit applies to individuals who work under general supervision in a food processing environment. It typically applies to the production worker responsible for applying basic operating principles to the operation and monitoring of a mixing or blending and cooking process and associated equipment.	
	This unit should not be delivered in a qualification with FBPOPR2028X Operate a mixing or blending process.	
	All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, in accordance with State/Territory work health and safety, and food safety regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace.	
	No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.	
Prerequisite Unit	Nil	
Unit Sector	Operational (OPR)	

Elements	Performance Criteria
Elements describe the	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate
essential outcomes.	achievement of the element.
Prepare for work in mixing/blending and	1.1 Read or listen to work instructions from supervisor and clarify where required
cooking processing area	1.2 Confirm ingredients are available to meet production requirements
	1.3 Confirm equipment is clean and not locked out
	1.4 Wear appropriate personal protective clothing and ensure correct fit, according to health, safety and food safety requirements
2. Prepare mixing/blending and cooking equipment and	2.1 Fit machine components and related attachments and adjust to meet operating requirements
process for operation	2.2 Enter processing and operating parameters to meet food safety and production requirements
	2.3 Carry out pre-start checks according to work health and safety and operating procedures
Operate and monitor equipment	3.1 Introduce ingredients and additives in the required quantities and sequence to meet recipe specifications
	3.2 Start, operate and monitor the process for variation in operating conditions
	3.3 Monitor the process to confirm that product meets specifications
	3.4 Transfer mix to cooking location, as required
	3.5 Monitor cooking process to ensure product meets specifications
	3.6 Identify, adjust and report out-of-specification equipment, product or process outcomes according to workplace requirements
	3.7 Follow and apply workplace housekeeping procedures and
	environmental requirements

Elements	Performance Criteria	
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.	
4. Shut down the mixing/blending and cooking process	4.1 Identify the appropriate shutdown procedure 4.2 Shut down the process according to work health and safety and operating procedures 4.3 Identify and report maintenance requirements according to workplace procedures 4.4 Maintain workplace records according to workplace procedures	



Foundation Skills		
	language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for empetency but are not explicit in the performance criteria.	
Skill	Description	
Reading	 Interpret workplace and standard operating procedures relevant to work task Interpret production requirements 	
Writing	Record processing data using electronic, digital and/or paper-based formats	
Numeracy	 Weigh (mg, g, kg) and measure (ml, L) ingredients as required Monitor and interpret production and process control indicators and data, including temperature (°C) Monitor supply and flow of materials to and from the process 	

Unit Mapping Information			
Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
FBPOPR2041X Operate a mixing or blending and cooking process	FBPOPR2041 Operate a mixing or blending and cooking process	Minor changes to Performance Criteria to clarify task Foundation skills refined Performance Evidence clarified Minor changes to Knowledge Evidence to clarify requirements and Assessment Conditions	Equivalent unit

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TITLE Assessment requirements for FBPOPR2041X Operate a mixing or blending and cooking process

Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency in this unit must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria of this unit.

There must be evidence that the individual has operated a mixing or blending and cooking process to produce at least one batch of product to specification, including:

- applying food safety practices
- following safe work procedures
- starting, monitoring and adjusting processing equipment to achieve required outcomes, including
 monitoring control points and conducting inspections to confirm process remains within specification,
 including:
 - time and temperature
 - · agitation settings
 - weights
 - · flow rates
 - flow diversion
 - characteristics of the mix, including colour, viscosity, density and consistency
 - characteristics of the cooked product
- addressing routine processing issues.

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:

- purpose and basic principles of preparing mixes and blends, including the characteristics and basic function of ingredients and additives used, method and sequence of ingredient addition required to achieve required blend characteristics and, where relevant, the purpose of conditioning, maturation or holding stages required prior to further processing of the mix
- the flow of the mixing or blending and cooking process and the effect of product output on downstream processes
- basic operating principles of equipment used in the mixing/blending and cooking process, including:
 - main equipment components
 - status and purpose of guards
 - equipment operating capacities and applications
 - the purpose and location of sensors and related feedback instrumentation
 - · calibration schedules for scales and related weighing/measuring equipment
- services required mixing/blending and cooking process and action to take if services are not available
- quality characteristics and conditioning required of ingredients used, and their role in the product, including reconstituting dry ingredients and bringing ingredients to a required temperature
- effect of ingredient quality/condition on the process, including variables including temperature, viscosity/texture, microbial load and acidity quality
- heat treatment/cooking requirements for low and/or high acid foods as appropriate to production requirements
- · stages and changes that occur during the blending and heat treatment/cooking stages
- quality requirements of the cooked product, including chemical, textural and flavour profiles
- relationship between time and temperature in the cooking process
- operating requirements and parameters and corrective action required where operation is outside specified operating parameters
- · procedures for requisitioning, receiving and returning ingredients from stores
- typical equipment faults and related causes, including signs and symptoms of faulty equipment and early warning signs of potential problems
- common causes of variation in the mixing/blending and cooking process and corrective action required
- contamination/cross contamination and food safety issues associated with mixing and blending and related control measures

Knowledge Evidence

- common microbiological, physical, chemical and allergen hazards related to the foods handled in the work area, including the types of hazards likely to occur, the conditions under which they occur, possible consequences, and control methods to prevent occurrence
- · health and safety hazards and controls relevant to the mixing/blending and cooking process
- requirements of different shutdowns as appropriate to the process and workplace production requirements, including emergency and routine shutdowns, and procedures to follow in the event of a power outage
- isolation, lock-out and tag-out procedures and responsibilities required for the mixing/blending and cooking process
- procedures and responsibility for reporting production and performance information
- environmental issues and controls relevant to the process, including waste/rework collection and handling procedures related to the process
- basic operating principles of process control, including the relationship between control panels and systems and the physical equipment
- · cleaning and sanitation procedures required for mixing/blending and cooking equipment
- recording procedures to ensure traceability of product.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - · a workplace or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - · mixing/blending and cooking equipment and related services
 - ingredients to be cooked
 - · personal protective clothing and equipment
 - · cleaning materials and equipment
- specifications:
 - work procedures, including advice on safe work practices, food safety, quality and environmental requirements
 - information on equipment capacity and operating parameters
 - production schedule/batch/recipe specifications, control points and operating parameters
 - · recording 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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