Modification history

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

FBPOPR2046X	Operate a production process
Application	This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to set up, operate, adjust and shut down a production process.
	This unit applies to individuals who work under general supervision and 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 production process and associated equipment.
	This unit should only be used where no specific production process unit is available.
	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 essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.
Prepare for work in processing area	1.1 Confirm materials are available to meet product specification 1.2 Identify and confirm cleaning requirements and equipment status according to health, safety and food safety requirements 1.3 Wear appropriate personal protective clothing and ensure correct fit
2. Prepare the equipment and process for operation	2.1 Fit machine components and related attachments and adjust to meet operating requirements 2.2 Enter processing and operating parameters to meet safety and production requirements 2.3 Carry out pre-start checks according to safe work procedures
3. Operate and monitor equipment	3.1 Start, operate and monitor equipment to ensure optimal operations 3.2 Monitor the process to confirm that product specifications are met 3.3 Identify, adjust and report out-of-specification equipment, product or process outcomes according to workplace requirements 3.4 Follow and workplace housekeeping procedures and dispose of waste according to environmental requirements
4. Shut down the process	 4.1 Identify the appropriate shutdown procedure 4.2 Shut down the process according to safe operating procedures 4.3 Identify and report maintenance requirements according to workplace procedures 4.4 Maintain workplace records according to workplace procedures

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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.

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Skill	Description	
Reading	Interpret workplace and standard operating procedures relevant to job task	
	Interpret production requirements	
Writing	Record operating, routine maintenance and shutdown information using electronic, digital and/or paper-based formats	
Numeracy	Monitor and interpret production and process control indicators and data	
	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
FBPOPR2046X Operate a production process	FBPOPR2046 Operate a production process	Minor changes to Performance Criteria to clarify task Foundation skills refined Performance Evidence clarified Minor changes to Knowledge Evidence and Assessment Conditions to clarify requirements	Equivalent unit
		requirements	

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TITLE Assessment requirements for FBPOPR2046X Operate a production 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 production process on at least one occasion, including:

- applying safe work procedures
- following food safety procedures
- starting, operating, monitoring and adjusting process equipment to achieve required outcomes, including monitoring control points and conducting inspections to confirm process remains within specification
- 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 the production process
- basic operating principles of equipment required to operate the production 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
- services required and action to take if services are not available
- the flow of this process and the effect of outputs on downstream processes
- quality characteristics to be achieved by the process
- quality requirements of materials and effect of variation on process performance
- operating requirements, parameters and corrective action required where operation is outside specified operating parameters
- good manufacturing practices (GMP) relevant to work task
- typical equipment faults of the production process and related causes, including recognition of signs and symptoms of faulty equipment and early warning signs of potential problems
- methods used to monitor the production process, including inspecting, measuring and testing by the process
- inspection or test points (control points) in the process and the related procedures and recording requirements
- contamination/cross contamination and food safety risks associated with the process and related control measures
- · common causes of variation for operating a production process and corrective action required
- health and safety hazards and controls, including limitations of protective clothing and equipment relevant to the work 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 operation of the production process
- procedures and responsibility for reporting production and performance information
- environmental issues and controls relevant to the production process, including waste/rework collection and handling procedures
- basic operating principles of process control, including the relationship between control panels and systems and the physical equipment
- · cleaning and sanitation procedures required for the production equipment and work area
- · recording procedures to track 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:
 - personal protective clothing and equipment
 - production equipment and related services
 - materials to be processed
 - 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 specifications, control points and processing parameters
 - · recording requirements and procedures.

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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