# **Modification history**

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with FWP Forest and Wood Products Training Package Version 6.0.

FWPFGM2XXX	Implement animal pest control procedures	
Application	This unit of competency describes the outcomes required to control browsing pests, such as rabbits, foxes, rats, kangaroos, wallabies and dogs. Work is completed in a variety of work settings, including forest environments, plantations, farms, nurseries and workshops.	
	The unit applies to forestry workers, arboriculture workers, farm forestry workers, nursery workers, plantation establishment workers, plantation forest officers, silviculturists.	
	All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, according to state/territory health and 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	Forest Growing and Management	

Elements	Performance Criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.
1. Prepare to control pests	1.1 Review work order or instruction to determine job requirements, and where required, seek clarification from appropriate personnel  1.2 Review workplace health and safety procedures, including the use of personal protective equipment and safe manual handling techniques  1.3 Identify, assess and take actions to mitigate risks and hazards associated with animal pest control operations  1.4 Identify workplace environmental protection procedures for animal pest control operations, minimising and disposing of waste material, cleaning tools and equipment, and minimising impact of biodiversity conservation operations on environmental assets  1.5 Identify and report existing and potential environmental risks and hazards to relevant personnel  1.6 Consult and maintain communication with team members and other appropriate personnel to ensure that work is coordinated effectively with others in the workplace  1.7 Identify pests to be controlled and select and check control method according to work order  1.8 Obtain tools and equipment needed for the work and check for correct operation and safety  1.9 Identify and obtain required permits or licences according to workplace procedures
2. Control pests	2.1 Use equipment and animal baits according to workplace safety procedures, manufacturer instructions and environmental protection practices 2.2 Notify neighbouring landholders of pest control operation and erect appropriate signage according to workplace procedures
	2.3 Control animal pests using appropriate methods according to work order

Elements	Performance Criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.
Complete pest control operation	3.1 Dispose of pests according to workplace and environmental protection requirements
	3.2 Remove temporary signage and store according to workplace procedures
	3.3 Record and report pest control outcomes to appropriate personnel

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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.

Skill	Description	
Reading	Read and interpret workplace documentation including legislation,	
<b>5</b>	safety data sheets, and Codes of Practice	
Writing	Complete basic written records for animal pest control operations, equipment faults and maintenance requirements	
Oral communication	Select and use appropriate spoken communication strategies with work colleagues and other personnel on site	
Numeracy	Complete routine calculations to measure animal bait dose rates and areas for distribution	

Unit Mapping Information			
Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
FWPFGM2XXX Implement animal pest control procedures	FWPFGM2210 Implement animal pest control procedures		

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# TITLE Assessment requirements for FWPFGM2XXX Implement animal pest control procedures

#### 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 planned and implemented animal pest control procedures in an operational forest, plantation or similar environment on one occasion following a work order or instruction that is consistent with workplace policy and procedures and current workplace health and safety legislation, regulations and related industry standards and codes of practice applicable to animal pest control operations.

# **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:

- key features and application of animal pest control methods including:
  - all legally approved forms of trapping pests
  - all legally approved baits and methods of distribution
  - · legally approved shooting
- requirements for obtaining permits and licences for different types of animal pest control activities and the authority from whom approval must be obtained
- types of animal pests, their effects on operational production and optimum control methods:
  - rats
  - rabbits
  - foxes
  - kangaroos
  - wallabies
  - dogs
- chemical bait uses, dose and distribution rates
- animal-handling techniques to minimise animal distress
- signage requirements to indicate presence of animal control measures:
  - · types of signs
  - approved wording
  - distribution
- · hazards of handling traps, chemical baits and fire-arms and methods to minimise associated risks
- workplace procedures specific to controlling animal pests:
  - workplace health and safety with particular emphasis on use of personal protective equipment (PPE) and handling hazardous substances
  - communication reporting lines
  - recording and reporting pest control outcomes.

### **Assessment Conditions**

Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions skills must be demonstrated in a workplace location or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
  - · tools and equipment required for animal pest control operations
  - an operational forest, plantation or similar environment
  - PPE
  - communication system
- specifications
  - access to work order or instruction detailing animal pest control operations to be carried out by operator
  - access to workplace policies and procedures which cover current workplace health and safety regulations and related industry standards and codes of practice applicable to animal pest control operations

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- access to workplace policies and procedures which cover off on current Environment Protection Acts, regulations and related industry standards and codes of practice applicable to animal pest control operations
- access to workplace safety and environmental protection plans
- access to site emergency procedure
- access to workplace standard operating procedures or operator manuals for equipment used in animal pest control operations.

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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