

Modification history

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 8.0.

AHCWHS2X1	Participate in workplace health and safety processes
Application	<p>This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to recognise and report hazards in the workplace, and follow workplace health and safety procedures and directions.</p> <p>The unit applies to individuals who participate in workplace health and safety processes under general supervision with limited autonomy or accountability.</p> <p>All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, health and safety in the workplace requirements, legislative and regulatory requirements.</p> <p>NOTES:</p> <p>1. The terms 'occupational health and safety' (OHS) and 'work health and safety' (WHS) are equivalent and generally either can be used in the workplace. In jurisdictions where the <i>model WHS laws</i> have not been implemented, registered training organisations (RTOs) are advised to contextualise this unit of competency by referring to existing WHS legislative requirements.</p> <p>2. The <i>model WHS laws</i> include the model WHS Act, model WHS Regulations, and model WHS Codes of Practice. See Safe Work Australia for further information.</p> <p>No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.</p>
Prerequisite Unit	Nil
Unit Sector	Work Health and Safety (WHS)

Elements	Performance Criteria
<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Follow workplace procedures for hazard identification and risk control	1.1 Recognise and report workplace health and safety hazards to designated personnel 1.2 Assess risks associated with identified workplace health and safety hazards 1.3 Follow workplace procedures and work instructions to control risks 1.4 Follow workplace procedures for dealing with accidents, fire and emergencies within the scope of own responsibilities 1.5 Recognise risks and take action to eliminate or reduce them 1.6 Recognise and carry out employee responsibilities prescribed in workplace health and safety legislation, regulations and codes of practice 1.7 Undertake workplace health and safety training as directed
2. Observe safe practices during work operations	2.1 Select, fit, use, maintain and store personal protective equipment (PPE) 2.2 Identify and report hazards and assess risks 2.3 Access workplace health and safety information as required
3. Participate in arrangements for maintaining the health and safety of all people in the workplace	3.1 Report workplace health and safety issues according to workplace procedures 3.2 Contribute to workplace health and safety participative arrangements in the workplace within the scope of own responsibilities

Foundation Skills	
<i>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.</i>	
Skill	Description
Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interpret workplace health and safety legislation, regulations and codes of practice Interpret workplace notices and workplace safety signs, symbols, labels and work instructions
Oral communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in verbal exchanges to report workplace health and safety hazards and risks to designated personnel

Unit Mapping Information			
Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
AHCWHS2X1 Participate in workplace health and safety processes	AHCWHS201 Participate in work health and safety processes	Minor changes to unit title and application Major changes to performance criteria Foundation skills added Major and minor edits to performance and knowledge evidence and assessment conditions	Not equivalent

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TITLE	Assessment requirements for AHCWHS2X1 Participate in workplace health and safety processes
Performance Evidence	
<p>An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.</p> <p>There must be evidence that the individual has participated in workplace health and safety processes on at least one occasion and has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • followed workplace procedures for health and safety hazard identification, reporting and risk control • observed safety during work operations • followed workplace procedures for dealing with accidents, fire and emergencies within the scope of responsibilities • fitted and used personal protective equipment (PPE) relevant to area of work • machinery and equipment operator manuals relevant to area of work • read and followed workplace notices and workplace safety signs, symbols, labels and work instructions • participated in arrangements for maintaining the workplace health and safety of all people in the workplace • recorded information accurately or verbally reporting information. 	
Knowledge Evidence	
<p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • workplace health and safety legislation, regulations, codes of practice and workplace procedures relevant to area of work • employee and employer workplace health and safety responsibilities • workplace procedures relating to hazards, fires, emergencies, accidents and risk control • workplace notices, workplace safety signs, symbols, labels and work instructions relevant to area of work • hazards and risks in the industry sector. 	
Assessment Conditions	
<p>Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • physical conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a workplace setting or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions • resources, equipment and materials: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PPE applicable to area of work • workplace notices, workplace safety signs, symbols, labels and work instructions relevant to area of work • specifications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • workplace health and safety legislation, regulations, codes of practice and workplace procedures relevant to area of work • relationships: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • designated personnel. <p>Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.</p>	
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