

AHC31024 Certificate III Parks and Gardens

(was AHC31021)

Following strategic revisions of the AHC Training Package by unit sector, several qualifications and skill sets require updating to include the improved units.

Broad consultation phase has resulted in the additional change to the qualification:

- Remove the job role of greenkeeper from the Qualification Descriptor

The qualification equivalency status has now been added. Due to the changes in the core of this qualification, the status has been deemed not equivalent.

We are now seeking final validation of this qualification. To validate, please use the survey link on the project webpage.

The units of competency updated in this qualification are highlighted, please see notes on changes between the current and updated units at the end of this document for more information.

Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 10.0.

AHC31024	Certificate III in Parks and Gardens
<p>Qualification Description</p> <p>This qualification describes the skills and knowledge for trade level roles in the parks and gardens industry including gardener, greenkeeper and grounds person.</p> <p>Individuals with this qualification perform tasks under broad supervision involving a broad range of skills that are applied in a wide variety of contexts, which will involve discretion and judgement in selecting and operating equipment, coordinating resources and applying contingency measures during work.</p> <p>Work must comply with work health and safety and environmental regulations and legislation that apply to the workplace.</p> <p>No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this qualification at the time of publication.</p>	
<p>Entry Requirements</p> <p>There are no entry requirements for this qualification.</p>	

Key:

Superseded units / recommended replacements

New unit

Additional change

~~Proposed deletion~~ - deleted units/units proposed for deletion

Packaging Rules

To achieve this qualification, competency must be demonstrated in:

- 16 units of competency:
 - 11 core units plus
 - 5 elective units.

Elective units must ensure the integrity of the qualification’s Australian Qualification Framework (AQF) alignment and contribute to a valid, industry-supported vocational outcome. The electives are to be chosen as follows:

- 4 must be from the electives listed below
- 1 from the remaining electives listed below, or any currently endorsed Training Package or accredited course.

Core Units

AHCIRG346	Operate pressurised irrigation systems
AHCMOM304	Operate machinery and equipment
AHCPCM306	Provide information on plants and their culture
AHCPGD307	Implement a plant establishment program
AHCPGD309	Perform specialist amenity pruning
AHCPGD310	Implement a landscape maintenance program
AHCPMG301	Control weeds
AHCPMG302	Control plant pests, diseases and disorders
AHCSOL304	Implement soil improvements for garden and turf areas
AHCTRF309	Implement a grassed area maintenance program
AHCWHS302	Contribute to workplace health and safety processes

Elective Units

AHCARB314	Implement a tree maintenance program
AHCARB315	Inspect trees for access and work
AHCARB320	Install tree support systems
AHCARB321	Implement a tree protection program
AHCCHM304	Transport and store chemicals
AHCCHM307	Prepare and apply chemicals to control pest, weeds and diseases
AHCDRG305	Install drainage systems
AHCECR301	Maintain native ecosystem areas

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AHCECR303	Implement biological reintroduction works
AHCIRG337	Measure irrigation delivery system performance
AHCIRG338	Troubleshoot irrigation systems
AHCIRG345	Install pressurised irrigation systems
AHCIRG347	Maintain pressurised irrigation systems
AHCLSC316	Implement a paving project
AHCPCM303	Identify plant specimens
AHCPCM305	Implement a plant nutrition program
AHCPCM307	Report on health and condition of trees
AHCPGD210	Transplant shrubs and small trees
AHCPGD308	Plan and maintain plant displays
AHCPGD311	Conduct operational inspection of park facilities
AHCPGD312	Implement a maintenance program for an aquatic environment
AHCSOL305	Prepare growing media
AHCTRF307	Construct turf playing surfaces
AHCTRF308	Establish turf
AHCTRF310	Monitor turf health
AHCTRF311	Renovate sports turf
AHCWRK317	Coordinate work site activities
AHCWRK320	Apply environmentally sustainable work practices
BSBOPS304	Deliver and monitor a service to customers
BSBOPS305	Process customer complaints
FBPPPL3007	Support and mentor individuals and groups
FWPCOT2254	Maintain chainsaws
FWPCOT2273	Trim and cut felled trees
FWPCOT3347	Fell trees manually (intermediate)
HLTAID011	Provide first aid
PUAFER008	Confine small emergencies in a facility

RIIWHS204E	Work safely at heights
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Qualification Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
AHC31024 Certificate III in Parks and Gardens	AHC31021 Certificate III in Parks and Gardens	Updated 1 Core unit and 4 Elective units	Not equivalent

Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet:
<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>

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Acronyms:

E – Equivalent

NE - Not Equivalent

PC – Performance Criteria

PE – Performance Evidence

KE – Knowledge Evidence

AC – Assessment Conditions

AHC - Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package

Unit's location in impacted qualification	Current Unit	Replacement Unit	Equivalence	Notes on change
Core	AHCWHS301 Contribute to work health and safety processes	AHCWHS302 Contribute to workplace health and safety processes	NE	<p><u>Elements</u> Element 3 changed from “<i>Observe safe practices during work operations</i>” to “<i>Follow safe practices during work operations</i>”</p> <p><u>Performance Criteria</u> Consolidated so that specific hazards including noise and manual handling risks are covered under “<i>identifying and dealing with risks and hazards according to workplace procedures</i>”</p> <p><u>Foundation Skills</u> added (Reading, Writing and Oral Communication)</p> <p><u>Performance Evidence</u> Frequency added. Now states that there must be evidence “<i>the individual has contributed to workplace health and safety processes on at least one occasion</i>”</p>

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				<p><u>Knowledge Evidence</u> Knowledge of hazard identification and risk management processes is now specified to include risk assessment, risks matrix and hierarchy of controls</p> <p><u>Assessment Conditions</u> - updated</p>
Elective	AHCWRK305 Coordinate work site activities	AHCWRK317 Coordinate work site activities	NE	<p><u>Elements</u> - unchanged</p> <p><u>Performance Criteria</u> 1.5 Identify potential hazards and risks, and implement safe working practices to manage risks, in place of, 'carry out work health and safety risk assessment'. 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 now include 'confirm with supervisor' when organising resources</p> <p><u>Foundation Skills</u> added (Writing, Oral communication and Numeracy)</p> <p><u>Range of Conditions</u> - removed completely</p> <p><u>Performance Evidence</u> - minor changes</p> <p><u>Knowledge Evidence</u> Change to wording with respect to WHS. Now states "<i>workplace requirements applicable to health and safety in the workplace for coordinating work site activities</i>".</p> <p><u>Assessment Conditions</u> - updated</p>
Elective	AHCWRK309 Apply environmentally sustainable work practices	AHCWRK320 Apply environmentally sustainable work practices	NE	<p><u>Elements</u> – unchanged</p> <p><u>Performance Criteria</u> - minor changes</p> <p><u>Foundation Skills</u> added (Reading, Writing and oral Communication)</p>

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				<p><u>Performance Evidence</u> Frequency added. Now states that there must be evidence that the individual has “<i>applied environmentally sustainable work practices on at least one occasion</i>” Specifically listed strategies to improve resource usage, reduce waste, employ recycling, re-use or re-purposing are now covered by the point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> used appropriate techniques and tools to assist in achieving resource efficiencies and environmental targets <p><u>Knowledge Evidence</u> Strategies for improved resource use are listed and also covered under principles of waste management, resources and environmental resources used in own industry sector.</p> <p><u>Assessment Conditions</u> - updated</p>
Elective	FWPCOT2256 Trim and cut felled trees	FWPCOT2273 Trim and cut felled trees	E	Information added to Application Changes to the volume/frequency of Performance Evidence to address industry needs
Elective	FWPFGM3216 Fall trees manually (intermediate)	FWPCOT3347 Fell trees manually (intermediate)	E	Changes to the volume/frequency of Performance Evidence and other minor changes to address industry needs This unit of competency is currently under review in the Tree Felling Project