

# AHC31324 Certificate III in Sports Turf Management

(was AHC31319)

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

Feedback from the recent broad consultation phase has not resulted in any further changes to this qualification.

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.

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## Modification History

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

AHC31324	Certificate III in Sports Turf Management
<b>Qualification Description</b> <p>This qualification describes the skills and knowledge for trade level roles carried out under general direction within sports turf management.</p> <p>Individuals with this qualification perform tasks autonomously involving a broad range of skills that are applied in a wide variety of sports turf facilities and workplaces. They exercise discretion and judgement in planning tasks, selecting and operating equipment, coordinating resources and applying contingency measures during work.</p> <p>Legislation related to the installation of irrigation and the storage, handling and application of chemicals applies in some states and territories.</p>	
<b>Entry Requirements</b> <p>There are no entry requirements for this qualification.</p>	

### Key:

Superseded units / recommended replacements

New unit

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

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### Packaging Rules

To achieve this qualification, competency must be demonstrated in:

- 23 units of competency:
  - 18 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:

- 3 units must be selected from the electives listed below
- the remaining 2 electives may be selected from the list below or currently endorsed Training Package or Accredited Course.

### Core Units

AHCCHM304	Transport and store chemicals
AHCCHM307	Prepare and apply chemicals to control pest, weeds and diseases
AHCDRG305	Install drainage systems
AHCIRG345	Install pressurised irrigation systems
AHCIRG346	Operate pressurised irrigation systems
AHCIRG347	Maintain pressurised irrigation systems
AHCMOM304	Operate machinery and equipment
AHCPCM305	Implement a plant nutrition program
AHCPMG301	Control weeds
AHCPMG302	Control plant pests, diseases and disorders
AHCSOL304	Implement soil improvements for garden and turf areas
AHCTRF306	Prepare sports turf surfaces for play
AHCTRF307	Construct turf playing surfaces
AHCTRF308	Establish turf
AHCTRF310	Monitor turf health
AHCTRF311	Renovate sports turf
AHCWHS302	Contribute to workplace health and safety processes
AHCWRK320	Apply environmentally sustainable work practices

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### Elective Units

ACMGEN315	Communicate effectively with clients and team members
AHCARB314	Implement a tree maintenance program
AHCMOM202	Operate tractors
AHCMOM213	Operate and maintain chainsaws
AHCMOM301	Coordinate machinery and equipment maintenance and repair
AHCMOM310	Operate land-forming machinery and equipment
AHCPCM303	Identify plant specimens
AHCPGD207	Plant trees and shrubs
AHCPGD209	Prune shrubs and small trees
AHCSOL406	Sample soils and interpret results
AHCWRK317	Coordinate work site activities
CPPSSI2012	Assist in collecting basic spatial data
FSKNUM023	Estimate, measure and calculate measurements for work
FSKRDG004	Read and respond to short and simple workplace information
RIIMPO335E	Conduct skid steer loader operations without attachments

### Qualification Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
AHC31324 Certificate III in Sports Turf Management	AHC31319 Certificate III in Sports Turf Management	Updated 3 Core units and 9 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	AHCP301 Implement a plant nutrition program	AHCP305 Implement a plant nutrition program	NE	<p><u>Elements</u> – new element 7. Complete plant nutrition program activities</p> <p><u>Performance Criteria</u> Steps to support new element included</p> <p><u>Foundation skills</u> added (Reading, Writing, Oral communication and Numeracy)</p> <p><u>Performance Evidence</u> Frequency added. Now states that the individual has “<i>implemented a plant nutrition program on at least one occasion</i>”</p> <p><u>Knowledge Evidence</u> – minor changes</p>

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Unit's location in impacted qualification	Current Unit	Replacement Unit	Equivalence	Notes on change
				<p><u>Assessment Conditions</u> - updated</p>
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> <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>
Core	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> <p><u>Performance Evidence</u></p>

Unit's location in impacted qualification	Current Unit	Replacement Unit	Equivalence	Notes on change
				<p>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>”</p> <p>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"> <li>used appropriate techniques and tools to assist in achieving resource efficiencies and environmental targets</li> </ul> <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	AHCPGD201 Plant trees and shrubs	AHCPGD207 Plant trees and shrubs	NE	<p><u>Elements</u> - unchanged</p> <p><u>Performance Criteria</u> – minor changes for clarity</p> <p><u>Foundation skills</u> added (Oral communication)</p> <p><u>Performance Evidence</u> Frequency added. Now states now that there must be evidence that the individual has “<i>planted trees and shrubs on at least three occasions</i>”</p> <p>Added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>applied soil treatments and amendments</li> <li>installed plant protection, stakes and ties</li> <li>applied mulch</li> </ul> <p><u>Knowledge Evidence</u> – minor changes for clarity</p> <p>Added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>methods of disposing of waste to minimise damage to the environment</li> </ul>

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				<p><u>Assessment Conditions</u> - updated</p>
Elective	AHCPGD203 Prune shrubs and small trees	AHCPGD209 Prune shrubs and small trees	NE	<p><u>Elements</u> - unchanged</p> <p><u>Performance Criteria</u> – minor changes for clarity</p> <p><u>Foundation Skills</u> added (Oral communication)</p> <p><u>Performance Evidence</u>                      Frequency added. States that <i>“there must be evidence that the individual has pruned at least three different shrubs and small trees”</i>                      Use of the following tools also specified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• secateurs</li> <li>• loppers or extension loppers</li> <li>• shears</li> <li>• pruning or pole saws</li> </ul> <p><u>Knowledge Evidence</u> – minor changes for clarity</p> <p><u>Assessment Conditions</u> - updated</p>
Elective	AHCSOL401 Sample soils and interpret results	AHCSOL406 Sample soils and interpret results	NE	<p><u>Elements</u> - unchanged</p> <p><u>Performance Criteria</u>                      Updated to include recording results and providing recommendations to improve soil characteristics</p> <p><u>Foundation Skills</u> added (Reading and Numeracy)</p>



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				<p><u>Performance Evidence</u> Frequency added. Now states that there must be evidence that the individual has “<i>sampled soils and interpreted results on at least two occasions</i>”</p> <p><u>Knowledge Evidence</u> – minor changes</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	AHCARB301 Implement a tree maintenance program	AHCARB314 Implement a tree maintenance program -	E	<p>Prerequisite units removed</p> <p>Performance criteria clarified</p> <p>Foundation skills added</p> <p>Assessment requirements updated</p>

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Elective	ACMGAS308 Communicate effectively with clients and team members	ACMGEN315 Communicate effectively with clients and team members	E	Unit sector changed to better reflect work outcomes Foundation skills updated Minor change to performance evidence for clarity
Elective	CPPSIS2012 Assist in collecting basic spatial data	CPPSSI2012 Assist in collecting basic spatial data	E	Minor changes
Elective	FSKNUM23 Estimate, measure and calculate measurements for work	FSKNUM023 Estimate, measure and calculate measurements for work	E	Minor changes
Elective	FSKRDG03 Read and respond to basic workplace instructions	FSKRDG004 Read and respond to short and simple workplace information	E	Redesigned unit includes content from <i>FSKRDG03 Read and respond to basic workplace instructions</i> and, <i>FSKRDG04 Read and respond to basic workplace information</i>  Minor changes