

AHC40416 Certificate IV in Horticulture

This qualification allows individuals to develop post-trade skills & knowledge across a broad coverage of the horticultural industry prior to undertaking higher level roles in the industry.

This qualification forms part of the Amenity Horticulture Training Package & is suitable for people who are typically in a supervisory role & work in non-trade specific horticultural industries

Job titles may include: **Senior Horticulturalist, Horticulture Team Leader**

What is it going to do for me?

It provides students with the skills & knowledge needed to supervise staff who work in the horticultural industry.

Depending on the subject chosen, you will be able to:

- Supervise & train staff
- Supervise & plan horticultural activities
- Supervise machinery maintenance
- Implement an integrated pest management system
- Operating a budget & costing projects

How long is it going to take?

As a student who is not studying under a Contract of Training as a trainee the learning is self-paced, so the length of time to complete the qualification is dependent on your current skills and capacity to commit time to your studies. The learning and assessment time of this qualification for a non-traineeship is 1200 hours over a 3 year period. As a Trainee (studied under a Contract of Training) this qualification must be completed within your traineeship period of 36 months (3 years).

The length of study may be lessened where you can evidence relevant current competency for skills and knowledge. This may go towards recognition of prior learning (RPL) resulting in credit for one or more units of competency. ARO can provide assistance with the RPL process. Please contact our office and/or indicate your desire for RPL on the enrolment form.

How is the qualification delivered?

Traineeship: If you are currently employed in Horticulture and your employer agrees to a traineeship relationship ARO will provide a combination of training modes. Trainers and Assessors will conduct training and verification of competencies achieved through on-job training (provided by your employer) at your workplace; you are provided a workbook to complete for each unit of competency and additional off-job training will be provided to help you achieve your qualification.

Non-Traineeship: If you are not currently employed in Horticulture, ARO delivers the qualification completely off-job or ARO may be able to assist you to gain a traineeship. Please note ARO does not guarantee placement in traineeships.

What does the course contain?

- Completion of twelve (12) units with one (1) core unit

Elective Units

- A minimum of five (5) units must come from elective group A
- A minimum of two (2) units must come from elective groups A or B
- A maximum of four (4) units may be selected from units aligned to Certificates III, IV or Diploma in AHC10 or from any other currently endorsed Training Package or accredited course. Selected units must meet job outcomes relevant to horticulture.

As a general guideline we have the following suggestion of units, if you wish to choose alternative elective units please speak to ARO upon enrolling.

CORE	
AHCOHS401	Maintain Occupational Health & Safety (OHS) processes
ELECTIVES Group A	
AHCPCM401	Recommend plants & cultural practices
AHCPCM402	Develop a soil health & plant nutrition program
AHCPGD402	Plan a plant establishment program
AHCPMG408	Assess & monitor weed, pest &/or disease control programs
AHCSOL401	Sample soils & interpret results
AHCTRF401	Develop a sports turf maintenance program
AHCTRF402	Plan & implement sports turf renovation
AHCIRG408	Schedule irrigations
ELECTIVES Group B	
AHCBUS402	Cost a project
AHCCHM401	Minimise risks in the use of chemicals
AHCMOM402	Supervise maintenance of property machinery & equipment

Fees: Please see our most recent [Fee Schedule](#) and [Funding](#) options on our website.

Policies and Enrolment process: Please see our student hand book, this can be found on our website or by contacting ARO office and we can send one out to you.