



AHC20316 Certificate II in Production Horticulture

This qualification is part of the Horticulture Training Package. This qualification underpins a range of work functions & job roles that can lead to a horticultural trade qualification.

Job titles may include: Farm, vineyard or orchard worker

What is it going to do for me?

It provides students with the skills & knowledge needed to work under supervision as a skilled operator or assistant to a tradesperson in the production horticulture industry. The qualification enables individuals to select a tree cropping, vegetable or berry production, grape growing or mushroom production context as a job focus, or a mixture in the case of mixed enterprises.

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

- operate tractors, equipment & machinery
- harvest & treating plants
- apply chemicals & biological agents
- maintain irrigation & drainage systems
- recognise plants, products & treatments
- treat weeds, pests & diseases

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 1.5 year period.

As a Trainee (studied under a Contract of Training) this qualification must be completed within your traineeship period of 18 months (1.5 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?

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- Fifteen (15) units are required to complete this qualification (comprised of 1 core unit and 14 elective units)

Elective Units

- A minimum of three (4) units must come from elective group A
- A minimum of seven (7) units must come from elective groups A or B
- A maximum of three (3) units may be selected from units aligned to Certificates II or III 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	
AHCWHS201	Participate in work health and safety processes
ELECTIVES Group A	
AHCBIO202	Follow site quarantine procedures
AHCCHM201	Apply chemicals under supervision
AHCMOM203	Operate basic machinery and equipment
AHCPHT201	Plant horticultural crops
AHCPHT203	Support horticultural crop harvesting
AHCPHT205	Carry out post-harvest operations
AHCPMG201	Treat weeds
AHCPMG202	Treat plant pests, diseases and disorders
AHCWRK209	Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices
ELECTIVES Group B	
AHCINF203	Maintain properties and structures
AHCIRG217	Assist with pressurised irrigation operations
AHCIRG216	Assist with surface irrigation operations
AHCPHT202	Carry out canopy maintenance
AHCPHT204	Undertake field budding and grafting

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.