



AHC51016 Diploma of Sports Turf Management

This qualification is for people who want to develop an understanding of the management of a Golf Course, Bowls club & Sports ovals requiring higher technical skills.

Undertaking this course will develop skills & knowledge in managing turf health, managing horticultural trials, collecting & managing data, preparing reports, monitoring & managing soils, managing plant cultural practices for amenity horticulture, developing strategies for the management of target pests & collecting & classifying plants.

Job titles may include: **Sports Turf Manager, Senior bowling greenkeeper, Turf Consultant**

What is it going to do for me?

This qualification will expand your knowledge & skills & hence your employability in this field, depending on the subject chosen, you will be able to:

- Develop turf renovation programs
- Manage cost effective chemical usage
- Manage environmental health of the golf course
- Monitor & manage the sporting needs of the players
- Monitor Manage the financial sustainability of the a club
- Prepare & monitoring budgets & financial reports
- Negotiate with contractors and suppliers
- Recruit & Manage staff

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 4-year period. As a Trainee (studied under a Contract of Training) this qualification must be completed within your traineeship period of 48 months (4 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.

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What does the course contain?

- Completion of ten (10) units is required to gain this Diploma, (comprised of 4 core units and 6 elective units).

Elective Units

- a minimum of four (4) units must come from the elective units list
- a maximum of two (2) units may be selected from the elective units or from units packaged in Certificate IV or above in AHC10 or from any other currently endorsed training package or accredited course. Selected units must be relevant to job outcomes in the turf industry

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	
AHCCHM501	Develop and manage a chemical use strategy
AHCPCM501	Diagnose plant health problems
AHCSOL501	Monitor and manage soils for production
AHCTRF501	Plan the establishment of sports turf playing surfaces
ELECTIVES	
AHCTRF502	Manage sports turf renovation programs
AHCTRF503	Develop sports turf management programs
AHCIRG502	Design irrigation system maintenance and monitoring programs
AHCBUS501	Manage staff
AHCBUS508	Prepare and monitor budgets and financial reports
AHCDRG501	Design drainage systems

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.