Modification history

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| Release | Comments |
| Release 1 | This version released with FBP Food, Beverage and Pharmaceutical Training Package Version 1.0 |

| FBPOPR2034 | Operate an evaporation process |
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| Application | This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to set up, operate, adjust and shut down an evaporation process.  This unit applies to individuals who work under general supervision and exercise limited autonomy in a food processing environment. It typically applies to the production worker responsible for applying basic operating principles to the operation and monitoring of an evaporation process and associated equipment.  All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, in accordance with State/Territory work health and safety, and food safety regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace.  No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication. |
| Prerequisite Unit | Nil |
| Unit Sector | Operational (OPR) |

| Elements | Performance Criteria |
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| Elements describe the essential outcomes. | Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. |
| 1. Prepare for work in processing area | 1.1 Read or listen to work instructions from supervisor and clarify where needed  1.2 Confirm materials are available to meet operating and food safety requirements  1.3 Identify and confirm cleaning and maintenance requirements and status  1.4 Wear appropriate personal protective clothing and ensure correct fit according to work health and safety requirements |
| 2. Prepare the evaporation process for operation | 2.1 Enter processing and operating parameters as required to meet safety and production requirements  2.2 Check equipment performance and adjust according to operating requirements  2.3 Carry out pre-start checks according to operator instructions |
| 3. Operate and monitor the evaporation process | 3.1 Start, operate and monitor the process for variation in operating conditions according to work health and safety and operating requirements  3.2 Identify variation in equipment operation and report maintenance requirements  3.3 Monitor the process to confirm that specifications are met  3.4 Identify, rectify and report out-of-specification equipment, product or process outcomes according to workplace requirements  3.5 Follow and apply workplace cleaning and environmental procedures |
| 4. Shut down the evaporation process | 4.1 Identify the appropriate shutdown procedure  4.2 Shut the process down safely according to operating procedures  4.3 Identify and report maintenance requirements  4.4 Maintain workplace records in appropriate format |

| Foundation Skills  This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria. | |
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| Skill | Description |
| Reading | * Interpret workplace and standard operating procedures relevant to job role * Interpret production requirements |
| Writing | * Record operating, routine maintenance and shutdown information on paper-based and electronic media |
| Numeracy | * Monitor and interpret production and process control indicators and data * Monitor supply and flow of materials to and from the process |
| Navigate the world of work | * Apply workplace procedures to own role and responsibilities * Identify skills, knowledge and experience required for performing own role in the workplace * Ask questions to clarify understanding or seek further information |
| Interact with others | * Communicate and report operational and safety information to relevant personnel * Use modes of communication suitable to purpose to confirm understanding when conducting operational start-up and shutdown procedures |
| Get the work done | * Access and interpret process control panels and system * Maintain a clean and hazard-free work area * identify out-of-specification standards and maintain quality specifications * Confirm equipment status and condition * Interpret process and equipment information to monitor process and respond to abnormal performance and variations |

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| Unit Mapping Information | | | |
| Code and title current version | Code and title previous version | Comments | Equivalence status |
| FBPOPR2034 Operate an evaporation process | FDFOP2034A Operate an evaporation process | Updated to meet Standards for Training Packages | Equivalent unit |

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| TITLE | Assessment requirements for FBPOPR2034 Operate an evaporation process |
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| Performance Evidence | |
| An individual demonstrating competency in this unit must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria of this unit.  There must be evidence that the individual has operated an evaporation process on at least one occasion, including:   * accessing workplace information to identify processing requirements * selecting, fitting and using personal protective clothing and/or equipment * confirming supply of necessary materials and services * preparing materials for an evaporation process * conducting pre-start checks, including: * inspecting equipment condition to identify any signs of wear * selecting appropriate settings and/or related parameters * cancelling isolation or lock-outs as required * confirming that equipment is clean and correctly configured for processing requirements * positioning sensors and controls correctly * ensuring any scheduled maintenance has been carried out * confirming that all safety guards are in place and operational * starting, operating, monitoring and adjusting evaporation equipment to achieve required outcomes, including monitoring control points and conducting inspections as required to confirm process remains within specification, including: * temperatures * vacuum * motor amperage * condensate flow * steam flow and pressure * throughput * time/speed * evaporated product characteristics * monitoring supply and flow of materials to and from the evaporation process * taking corrective action in response to out-of-specification results * reporting and/or recording corrective action as required * locating emergency stop functions on equipment * following isolation and lock-out/tag-out procedures as required to take process and related equipment off-line in preparation for cleaning and/or maintenance within level of responsibility * preparing equipment for cleaning * responding to and/or reporting equipment failure within level of responsibility * completing workplace records as required * maintaining work area to meet housekeeping standards * using process control systems according to workplace procedures * cleaning and sanitising equipment according to workplace procedures * following relevant work health and safety procedures. | |

| Knowledge Evidence |
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| An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:   * purpose and basic principles of evaporation, including: * an understanding of the principles of steam * the relationship between boiling point and pressure as applied to evaporation * the changes that occur to product as it moves through the evaporation process * basic operating principles of evaporation equipment, including: * main equipment components * status and purpose of guards * equipment operating capacities and applications * the purpose and location of sensors and related feedback instrumentation * quality characteristics to be achieved by the evaporation process * the flow of the evaporation process and the effect of product output on downstream processes * quality requirements of materials and the effect of variation on process performance * operating requirements and parameters and corrective action required where operation is outside specified operating parameters * typical equipment faults and related causes, including signs and symptoms of faulty equipment and early warning signs of potential problems * techniques used to monitor the evaporation process, including inspecting, measuring and testing as required by the process * inspection or test points (control points) in the process and the related procedures and recording requirements * contamination/food safety risks associated with the process and related control measures relevant to the evaporation process * common causes of variation and corrective action required * work health and safety hazards and controls relevant to the evaporation process * requirements of different shutdowns as appropriate to the process and workplace production requirements, including emergency and routine shutdowns and procedures to follow in the event of a power outage * isolation, lock-out and tag-out procedures and responsibilities * procedures and responsibility for reporting production and performance information * environmental issues and controls relevant to the evaporation process, including waste/rework collection and handling procedures related to the process * basic operating principles of process control, including the relationship between control panels and systems and the physical equipment * cleaning and sanitation procedures for evaporation equipment. |

| Assessment Conditions |
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| Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:   * physical conditions: * a workplace or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions * resources, equipment and materials: * personal protective clothing and equipment * evaporation process and related equipment and services * materials to be evaporated * sampling schedules and test procedures and equipment * cleaning procedures, materials and equipment * specifications: * work procedures including advice on safe work practices, food safety, quality and environmental requirements * information on equipment capacity and operating parameters * production schedule, batch/recipe instructions * documentation and recording requirements and procedures.   Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards. |

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