Modification history

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| Release | Comments |
| Release 1 | This version released with FBP Food, Beverage and Pharmaceutical Training Package Version 5.0 |

| FBPOPR2024X | Operate a cooling, slicing and wrapping process |
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| Application | This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to set up, operate, adjust and shut down a cooling, slicing and wrapping process.  This unit applies to individuals who work under general supervision and in a food production environment. It typically applies to the production worker responsible for applying basic operating principles to the operation and monitoring of machines and equipment used to cool, slice and wrap food product.  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 Receive work instructions and clarify where required  1.2 Identify health and safety hazards and inform supervisor  1.3 Wear appropriate personal protective equipment and ensure correct fit  1.4 Confirm that product and packaging consumables are available to meet operating and food safety requirements  1.5 Identify and confirm equipment is clean and not locked out |
| 2. Prepare the cooling, slicing and wrapping equipment and process for operation | 2.1 Fit and adjust machine components and related attachments according to operating requirements  2.2 Acknowledge processing and operating parameters to meet safety and production requirements  2.3 Carry out pre-start checks according to operator instructions |
| 3. Operate and monitor equipment | 3.1 Start, operate and monitor the process for variation in operating conditions  3.2 Monitor the process to confirm that product is cooled and packaged to meet food safety and production specifications  3.3 Identify, adjust and report out-of-specification equipment, product or process outcomes according to workplace requirements  3.4 Follow and apply workplace cleaning procedures and environmental requirements |
| 4. Shut down the cooling, slicing and wrapping process | 4.1 Identify the appropriate shutdown procedure  4.2 Shut down the process safely according to operating procedures and clean equipment according to workplace procedures  4.3 Report maintenance requirements according to workplace procedures  4.4 Maintain workplace records according to workplace procedures |

| 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 work task * Interpret production requirements |
| Writing | * Record operating, routine maintenance and shutdown information using digital and/or paper-based formats |
| Oral communication | * Ask questions to clarify understanding or seek further information |
| Numeracy | * Monitor and interpret production and process control indicators and data, including weights (g, kg) and slice measures (mm), knife speed (rpm) * Monitor supply and flow of materials to and from the process |

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| Unit Mapping Information | | | |
| Code and title current version | Code and title previous version | Comments | Equivalence status |
| FBPOPR2024X Operate a cooling, slicing and wrapping process | FBPOPR2024 Operate a cooling, slicing and wrapping process | Minor changes to Performance Criteria to clarify task  Foundation skills refined  Performance Evidence clarified  Minor changes to Knowledge Evidence to clarify requirements and Assessment Conditions | Equivalent unit |

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| TITLE | Assessment requirements for FBPOPR2024X Operate a cooling, slicing and wrapping 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 cooling, slicing and wrapping equipment to process at least one batch or production run to meet specifications, including:   * confirming settings in the cooler, including: * conveyor speed/track position * humidity * air flow/fan settings * product layout/spacing * confirming settings in the slicing/bagging equipment: * knife condition * machine speed * height/width settings * air pressure * bag/tag type and coding * starting, operating, monitoring and adjusting process equipment to achieve required outcomes, including: * monitoring control points * conducting inspections as required to confirm process remains within specification * following safe work procedures * addressing routine processing issues. | |

| 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 the cooling, slicing and wrapping process * basic operating principles of 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 * services required and action to take if services are not available * the flow of the cooling, slicing and wrapping process and the effect of outputs on downstream processes and final product * quality characteristics to be achieved by the process * quality requirements of packaging materials and effect of variation on process performance and product shelf-life * 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 * methods used to monitor the cooling, slicing and bagging process, including inspecting and measuring * inspection or test points (control points) in the process and the related procedures and recording requirements * contamination/cross contamination and food safety risks associated with the process and related control measures * common causes of variation and corrective action required * health and safety hazards and controls, including the limitations of protective clothing and equipment relevant to the work process * requirements of different shutdowns as appropriate to the process and workplace production requirements * 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 process, including waste/rework collection and handling procedures related to the process * basic operating principles of process control, where relevant, including the relationship between control panels and systems and the physical equipment * cleaning and sanitation procedures for the cooling, slicing and wrapping equipment * recording requirements for traceability of product. |

| Assessment Conditions |
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| Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:   * physical conditions: * a food processing workplace or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions * resources, equipment and materials: * personal protective clothing and equipment * cooling, slicing and wrapping equipment and related services * product * packaging consumables * cleaning 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 specifications, control points and processing parameters * recording requirements.   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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