Modification history

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| Release | Comments |
| Release 1 | This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 6.0. |

| AHCBAC204 | Prepare grain storages |
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| Application | This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to safely prepare storages, surrounding areas and equipment in readiness for receiving grain at an acceptable level of hygiene. This unit applies to workers in specialist grain storages or on grain farms.  The unit applies to individuals who work under general supervision and exercise limited autonomy with some accountability for own work. They undertake defined activities and work in a structured context.  No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication. However, all work in confined spaces must comply with state and federal legislation requirements. |
| Prerequisite Unit | Nil |
| Unit Sector | Broad Acre Cropping (BAC) |

| 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 to work in bulk material storage area | 1.1 Confirm work program instructions and clarify anomalies with supervisor  1.2 Identify work health and safety hazards in grain storage and report to supervisor and implement suitable controls  1.3 Select, check, use and maintain personal protective equipment  1.4 Select, prepare and maintain equipment and tools |
| 2. Prepare storage area | 2.1 Clean storage site of contaminants according to work palce and biosecurity procedures  2.2 Dispose of waste according to workplace procedures  2.3 Prepare and maintain the storage site according to procedures |
| 3. Prepare storage facilities | 3.1 Clean residue from bulk material storage facility according to workplace and biosecurity procedures  3.2 Check structural integrity, damage or deterioration of bulk material storage facility and repair or report according to workplace procedures  3.3 Prepare and erect temporary storage facility according to work program instructions |
| 4. Prepare bulk material handling machinery | 4.1 Clean machinery of contamination and residues according to workplace and biosecurity procedures  4.2 Assist setting and adjustment of bulk material handling equipment according to work program instructions  4.3 Conduct pre checks of bulk material handling equipment according to manufacturer instructions and workplace requirements |
| 5. Complete maintenance operation | 5.1 Update grain storage preparation records according to workplace procedures  5.2 Dispose of waste according to workplace and environmental procedures  5.3 Clean, maintain and store tools and equipment 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 manufacturer specifications, work and maintenance programs, and Safety Data Sheets (SDS) relevant to storage preparation and equipment operation |
| Oral Communication | * Use concepts and industry terminology when communicating with supervisor |
| Numeracy | * Use and recognise the numerical relationships between adjustment and settings on bulk materials handling equipment and their effective operation |

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| Unit Mapping Information | | | |
| Code and title current version | Code and title previous version | Comments | Equivalence status |
| AHCBAC204 Prepare grain storages  Release 2 | AHCBAC204 Prepare grain storages  Release 1 | Edited Application. Updated, consolidated and re ordered Performance Criteria.  Added foundation skills.  Updated Performance Evidence, Knowledge Evidence and Assessment Conditions | Equivalent |

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| TITLE | Assessment requirements for AHCBAC204 Prepare grain storages |
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| Performance Evidence | |
| An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.  There must be evidence that the individual has prepared grain storage facilities for any 2 of the following storage methods:  Silo  Grain Bags  Shed  Bunker/pit  There must also be evidence that the individual has:   * identified hazards and followed safe work procedures * erected temporary bulk material storages * checked equipment and storage facilities, and identified current or impending faults * performed pre-operational checks and routine safety, service and maintenance procedures on tools, equipment and machinery * operated hand and independently powered tools and cleaning equipment to industry standards * cleaned, secured and stored machinery and equipment following use * prepared storage facility ready for grain delivery * worked in confined spaces in accordance with State/Territory legislation * followed work health and safety, and biosecurity 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:   * methods for storing grain in Australia and their construction, including: * hazards, safety and structural requirements for storage * erection and dismantling for types of temporary storage used by organisation * typical signs of structural damage to be documented and reported * commodity quality standards for grain storage * grain storage hygiene and biosecurity requirements * machinery and equipment used in grain storage work, including: * pre-operational and safety checks * settings and adjustments and effect on grain handling * servicing and maintenance procedures * safety and operating principles * cleaning and storage * biosecurity requirements * common problems and contingencies in grain storage situations * workplace health and safety practices and personal protection, including: * working in confined spaces and legislative responsibilities * potential hazards associated with the operation of basic tools and equipment * regulations and codes of practice for grain storage machinery and equipment * personal protective clothing and equipment and when it should be used * recording and reporting procedures. |

| Assessment Conditions |
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| Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:   * physical conditions: * skills must be demonstrated at a grain storage facility or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions * resources, equipment and materials: * use of materials and consumables for grain storage repair/construction * use of cleaning tools, equipment and consumables * access to machinery and equipment for grain handling * use of specific items of personal protective equipment * specifications: * use of workplace procedures * use of manufacturer operating instructions for equipment and machinery * access to safety data sheets * use of workplace instructions * relationships: * supervisor.   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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