Modification history

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| Release | Comments |
| Release 1 | This version released with FWP Forest and Wood Products Training Package Version 7.0. |

| FWPFGM3XXX | Graft nursery stock for planting in seed orchard |
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| Application | This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to prepare and graft nursery stock on to selected root stock as part of forest nursery operations.  The unit applies to individuals who are involved in grafting as part of forestry operations.  All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, according to state/territory health and safety regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace.  No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication. |
| Prerequisite Unit | Nil |
| Unit Sector | Forest Growing and Management (FGM) |

| 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 grafting | 1.1 Determine job requirements from work order or instruction, and where required, seek clarification from appropriate personnel  1.2 Confirm safety and environmental requirements for the task according to workplace procedures  1.3 Identify, assess and take actions to mitigate risks and hazards associated with grafting operations  1.4 Identify emergency and evacuation procedures to follow in the event of an incident or accident  1.5 Consult with appropriate personnel to ensure that work is coordinated effectively with others in the workplace  1.6 Select tools, equipment and materials for grafting operations and check for serviceability according to workplace procedures |
| 2. Collect material for potential scion wood | 2.1 Identify and select the individual tree to be cloned according to workplace procedures  2.2 Identify the correct time and method for collecting scion wood  2.3 Cut material for potential scion wood selection using appropriate equipment  2.4 Apply appropriate labelling, storage, treatment and transport methods to maintain maximum viability of the material |
| 3. Select scion wood | 3.1 Follow workplace hygiene practices and procedures to maintain a contamination-free work area  3.2 Undertake work using established safe operating practices according to workplace procedures and environmental requirements  3.3 Visually assess collected material and select scion wood for propagation according to work order requirements  3.4 Dispose of discarded cutting material according to workplace procedures |
| 4. Graft scion wood on to selected root stock | 4.1 Select and prepare root stock for grafting  4.2 Use handling methods that prevent damage to root stock and scion wood  4.3 Select grafting type that is appropriate to species  4.4.Apply grafting method and attach identifying labels to grafted plant according to workplace procedures |
| 5. Apply post grafting management techniques | 5.1 Provide and maintain nutrients and growing environment for grafted plant appropriate to the species requirements  5.2 Take remedial action as required to control pests and diseases according to specified planting program  5.3 Record and report grafting process to the appropriate personnel |

| 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 | * Extract routine information from industry guides and standard references on grafting techniques |
| Writing | * Complete labels legibly and accurately with correct species name |
| Oral communication | * Ask open and closed questions and use active listening techniques to clarify contents of work orders * Provide oral reports on grafting activities |
| Numeracy | * Measure quantities of nutrients appropriate for grafted plant * Estimate timeframes appropriate to grafting processes |

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| Unit Mapping Information | | | |
| Code and title current version | Code and title previous version | Comments | Equivalence status |
| FWPFGM3XXX Graft nursery stock for planting in seed orchard | FWPFGM2212 Graft cuttings | Revised unit title  Updated all unit components | Not equivalent |

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| TITLE | Assessment requirements for FWPFGM3XXX Graft nursery stock for planting in seed orchard |
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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 and grafted nursery stock onto selected root stock and applied appropriate post grafting management of the plant on two occassions, with each occasion involving a different tree species. | |

| 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:   * grafting methods * types of tools and equipment used in grafting operations, including hand-held tools, including a grafting or budding knife, secateurs and grafting tape and procedures for their safe use and maintenance * process for collecting material for potential scion wood * process for selection of scion wood * techniques for grafting scion wood on to selected root stock * post grafting management techniques * pre-planting treatments to prepare for grafting * water and nutrient requirements for grafted plants * conditioning and storage requirements for grafted plants * impact of different growing environments on grafted plant including: * heat * light * humidity * moisture * procedures for safe use, handling, storage and transport of chemicals * problem identification and resolution strategies, and common fault finding techniques in relation to grafting operations * remedial treatment on grafted plants, including pest and disease control methods * mathematical procedures for estimating and measuring, including calculating time to complete tasks and measuring quantities of nutrients * procedures for recording and reporting workplace information. |

| 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 in a forest or wood products work environment or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions * resources, equipment and materials: * commercial quantity of trees, scion wood and root stock for grafting operations * tools, equipment, materials and storage facilities used in grafting operations * personal protective equipment suitable for grafting operations * specifications: * access to workplace health, safety and environmentla policies and procedures applicable to grafting operations * workplace procedures for grafting operations.   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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