



Australian Government

AHC30820 Certificate III in Arboriculture

Release 3

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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 3	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture, Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 7.1.
Release 2	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture, Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 7.0.
Release 1	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture, Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 5.0.

Qualification Description

This qualification describes the skills and knowledge for trade level roles in the arboriculture industry, including, climbing arborist, EWP arborist, crane specialist, environmental arborist and an arborist works coordinator.

Individuals with this qualification perform a range of arboriculture activities including, shaping and canopy management, tree health and remediation, environmental and habitat development, to tree dismantling and removal. The work involves high risk operations either working at heights or conducting support works to individuals working above ground. Work practices operate within a strict safety regime to protect workers and public.

Legislation, regulations and by-laws relating to the treatment and removal of trees apply in some States and Territories.

Entry Requirements

There are no entry requirements for this qualification.

Packaging Rules

To achieve this qualification, competency must be demonstrated in:

- 18 units of competency:
 - 9 core units plus
 - 9 elective units.

Elective units must ensure the integrity of the qualification's Australian Quality Framework (AQF) alignment and contribute to a valid, industry-supported vocational outcome. The electives are to be chosen as follows:

- 7 units must be from groups A, B, C, D, E or F, with all the units from at least one specialisation selected from the specialisations listed below
- the remaining 2 units may be selected from units listed in groups A, B, C, D, E or F or any currently endorsed Training Package or accredited course.

No more than 3 of the 9 electives selected can be coded with an AQF indicator below level 3 or reflect outcomes below AQF level 3.

Electives are to be packaged to provide a qualification with one or more specialisations as follows:

- All 3 electives from Group A must be selected for the award of the *Certificate III in Arboriculture (Climbing Arborist)*
- All 4 electives from Group B must be selected for the award of the *Certificate III in Arboriculture (Crane Specialist)*
- All 4 electives from Group C must be selected for the award of the *Certificate III in Arboriculture (Elevated Work Platform – EWP Arborist)*
- All 4 electives from Group D must be selected for the award of the *Certificate III in Arboriculture (Environmental arborist)*
- All 3 electives from Group E must be selected for the award of the *Certificate III in Arboriculture (Works Coordinator)*
- *Electives from Group G can only be selected where required as a prerequisite.*

Note: If more than one specialisation is completed, award of the qualification would read (for example): Certificate III in Arboriculture (Climbing Arborist, Elevated Work Platform – EWP Arborist).

Note: Units listed in the *Prerequisite requirement* column that have their own prerequisite requirements are shown with an asterisk (*)

Core Units

Unit	Title
AHCARB213	Perform ground-based rigging
AHCARB314	Implement a tree maintenance program
AHCARB315	Inspect trees for access and work
AHCARB316	Perform pruning operations
AHCARB323	Identify trees
FWPCOT2237	Maintain chainsaws
FWPCOT2239	Trim and cut felled trees
FWPFGM3212	Fall trees manually (intermediate)
HLTAID011	Provide First Aid

Electives

Group A Climbing specialist

AHCARB317	Dismantle trees
AHCARB318*	Undertake aerial rescue
AHCARB319	Use arborist climbing techniques

Group B Crane specialist

AHCARB317	Dismantle trees
AHCARB324	Use cranes to access and dismantle trees
CPCDDO3011 A*	Perform dogging
AHCARB319	Use arborist climbing techniques

Group C Elevated Work Platform (EWP) specialist

AHCARB317	Dismantle trees
TLILIC0005	Licence to operate a boom-type elevating work platform (boom length 11 metres or more)
UETDRRF002 *	Perform EWP rescue
UETTDRRF08	Perform EWP controlled descent escape

Group D Environmental arborist (habitat protection and creation)

AHCARB325	Manage trees to create and maintain habitat refuges
AHCFAU201	Recognise fauna
AHCLPW304	Carry out inspection of designated area
AHCNAR202	Maintain wildlife habitat refuges

Group E Works Coordinator

AHCARB407	Supervise and audit tree operations
AHCARB408	Perform a ground-based tree defect evaluation
AHCARB409	Conduct a safety audit

Group F General Electives

AHCARB212	Operate and maintain stump grinding machines
AHCARB321	Implement a tree protection program
AHCARB320	Install tree support systems
AHCARB322	Access trees for inspection
AHCARB406	Verify pruning specifications
AHCBIO305	Apply biosecurity measures
AHCCHM304	Transport and store chemicals
AHCCHM307	Prepare and apply chemicals to control pest, weeds and diseases
AHCPMG301	Control weeds
AHCPMG302	Control plant pests, diseases and disorders
AHCWRK305	Coordinate work site activities
CPCCCM2010 B*	Work safely at heights
FWPCOT3238	Operate a pole saw
FWPFGM3213	Fall trees manually (advanced)
FWPHAR2206	Operate a mobile chipper/mulcher
RIIWHS205E	Control traffic with stop-slow bat
UETTDREL14	Working safely near live electrical apparatus as a non-electrical worker

Group G Prerequisite Units

CPCCOHS200 1A	Apply OHS requirements, policies and procedures in the construction industry
HLTAID009	Provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation

Prerequisite requirements

Note: Units listed in the *Prerequisite requirement* column that have their own prerequisite requirements are shown with an asterisk (*)

Unit of competency	Prerequisite requirement
AHCARB318 Undertake aerial rescue	HLTAID011 Provide First Aid AHCARB319 Use arborists climbing techniques
CPCCCM2010B Work safely at heights	CPCCOHS2001A Apply OHS requirements, policies and procedures in the construction industry
CPCDDO3011A Perform dogging	CPCCOHS2001A Apply OHS requirements, policies and procedures in the construction industry
UETDRRF002 Perform EWP rescue	HLTAID009 Provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation

Qualification Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
AHC30820 Certificate III in Arboriculture Release 3	AHC30820 Certificate III in Arboriculture Release 2	Qualification updated to correct the code of an elective unit	Equivalent

Links

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