

Title	Harvest cash crops under supervision		
Level	3	Credits	5

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is for people working in the arable farming industry.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to evaluate when to harvest a crop; and cut and harvest a crop under supervision.</p>
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Classification	Agriculture > Arable Farming
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 All evidence presented in this unit standard must be in accordance with:
 - On farm procedures.
- 2 Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to:
 - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015.
- 3 Arable crop alternatives relevant to this unit standard are cereals, herbage and seed, brassica, potatoes, and pulses.
- 4 Definition
On farm procedures refer to verbal and written instructions to staff on procedures for crop harvesting.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Evaluate when to harvest a crop.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Evaluate and report on crop condition in terms of crop maturity, withholding factors, and moisture content.
- 1.2 Evaluate paddock conditions in terms of their ability to withstand harvesting.
- 1.3 Evaluate weather in terms of the conditions forecast for the harvest period.

- 1.4 Assess the timing of harvest taking into account labour availability and expenses of crop harvesting.

Outcome 2

Cut a crop under supervision.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Cut crop uniformly, without leaving uncut strips of grass or crop.
- 2.2 Check, adjust, and use machinery in accordance with crop conditions, and manufacturer's guidelines.

Outcome 3

Harvest a crop under supervision.

Range pick up, thresh or direct head;
evidence of one harvest technique is required.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Harvest crop at a time suitable for its intended use and environmental conditions.
- 3.2 Check, maintain, adjust, and use machinery in accordance with manufacturer's guidelines and end use of crop.
- 3.3 Harvest crop with minimal wastage or loss of quality.

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Review	3	28 November 2019	N/A

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Comments on this unit standard

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