

Title	Hand prune grapevines		
Level	3	Credits	5

Purpose	This unit standard is for people working in the viticulture industry. People credited with this unit standard are able to hand prune grapevines.
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Classification	Horticulture > Viticulture
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 The New Zealand Horticulture Industry Training Organisation acknowledges the assistance provided by the Australian National Training Authority (ANTA) in permitting their competency unit to be used as the basis for this unit standard. This unit standard is based on the unit of competency FDFWGGHPVA, *Hand prune vines*.
- 2 *Workplace procedures* refers to verbal or written instructions to staff on procedures for the worksite and equipment.
- 3 Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, the Resource Management Act 1991, and their subsequent amendments.
- 4 Equipment may include electronic, hydraulic, pneumatic and hand secateurs, pruning saws, sharpening stone, file, scabbard/pouch, loppers, air compressors.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Prepare for hand pruning grapevines.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Pruning equipment is confirmed as available and ready for use.

Range	safety standards and pre-start requirements are met, equipment is operational.
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- 1.2 Pruning requirements are confirmed in terms of site and crop characteristics.

Outcome 2

Hand prune grapevines.

Performance criteria

2.1 Pruning equipment is operated according to workplace procedures, without damage to vines, equipment or property structures.

2.2 Vines are pruned according to supervisor's instructions.

Range may include spur pruning, cane pruning, hand clean-up after machine pruning.

2.3 Equipment performance is monitored to confirm performance is maintained within specification as required.

2.4 Anomalies and problems are recognised, rectified and/or reported.

Range may include signs of common diseases and pests such as mildew, eutypa, phomopsis, boring insects, crown gall; diseased wood, dead vines, damaged trellis/irrigation system, faulty/stiff/blunt equipment.

Outcome 3

Complete hand pruning operations.

Performance criteria

3.1 Equipment is cleaned, maintained and stored according to workplace procedures.

3.2 Vine cuttings are disposed of according to workplace procedures.

Range mulched, mown, collected.

Outcome 4

Record and/or store information in a retrievable format.

Performance criteria

4.1 Workplace information is recorded and/or stored according to workplace procedures.

Range may include standard operating procedures, specifications, production schedules/instructions, work notes, Material Safety Data Sheets, manufacturers' instructions, verbal direction from manager, supervisor or senior operator.

This unit standard is expiring. Assessment against the standard must take place by the last date for assessment set out below.

Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

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Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference

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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.