

<b>Title</b>	<b>Prune and train nursery plants</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>5</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	People credited with this unit standard will be able to: describe the objectives of pruning and training nursery plants; prune and train nursery plants; and remove and dispose of prunings.
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<b>Classification</b>	Horticulture > Nursery Production
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<b>Available grade</b>	Achieved
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### Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to:
  - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015; and any subsequent amendments.
- 2 Definition
 

*Nursery crop* refers to a crop of no less than 50 plants.

*Workplace procedures* refer to policies and procedures on safety, operation, and production set down by the employer or host organisation for pruning and training nursery plants.
- 3 All evidence presented in this unit standard must be in accordance with workplace procedures.

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### Outcomes and performance criteria

#### Outcome 1

Describe the objectives of pruning and training nursery plants.

#### Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe plant growth pruning and training in terms of the objectives.
 

Range evidence of five objectives is required.
- 1.2 Describe root pruning and plant undercutting in terms of the objectives.
 

Range evidence of three objectives is required.

**Outcome 2**

Prune and train nursery crops.

Range evidence of two nursery crops, pruned and trained for one growing season is required.

**Performance criteria**

- 2.1 Prune and train plants using techniques consistent with the crop production schedule.
- 2.2 Select, use, and maintain tools appropriate for plant growth and health.
- 2.3 Remove unwanted growth maintaining plant shape without damage to the rest of the plant or surrounding plants.
- 2.4 Stake and tie plants.
- 2.5 Maintain records of pruning and training.

**Outcome 3**

Remove and dispose of prunings.

**Performance criteria**

- 3.1 Remove prunings from the production area and dispose.

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<b>Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference</b>	0052
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**Comments on this unit standard**

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