

<b>Title</b>	<b>Undertake general garden maintenance</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>5</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	People credited with this unit standard are able to: maintain gardens and lawns; and identify and care for horticultural hand tools.
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<b>Classification</b>	Horticulture > Production Horticulture
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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 All evidence presented in this unit standard must be in accordance with workplace procedures.
- 3 Definition  
*Workplace procedures* refer to policies and procedures on safety, operation, and production set down by the employer or host organisation for undertaking general garden maintenance.

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### Outcomes and performance criteria

#### Outcome 1

Maintain gardens.

Range evidence of over a period of at least eight weeks is required.

#### Performance criteria

- 1.1 Control garden weeds to remove competition.
 

Range controls may include but are not limited to – cultivation, mulching, hand weeding; evidence of two controls is required.
- 1.2 Select watering equipment and hand water gardens to maintain plant growth.
- 1.3 Apply side dressings of fertilisers at pre-determined application rates.

1.4 Select pruning tools and disbud and/or dead-head plants when flowering has finished.

Range tools may include but are not limited to – secateurs, shears; evidence of one tool is required.

1.5 Support, stake and tie plants when required.

1.6 Select rakes and use to level and aerate the soil surface.

1.7 Collect, recycle and/or dispose of garden waste.

## **Outcome 2**

Maintain lawns.

Range evidence of over a period of four weeks is required; lawn area must be at least 100m<sup>2</sup>.

### **Performance criteria**

2.1 Mow lawns and trim edges using personal protective equipment (PPE).

Range PPE includes but is not limited to – feet, eye, and ear protection.

2.2 Sweep clean paths or concrete areas of all debris.

2.3 Clear leaves from lawns.

2.4 Collect, recycle and/or dispose of garden waste.

2.5 Clean equipment and store safely.

## **Outcome 3**

Identify and care for horticultural hand tools.

### **Performance criteria**

3.1 Identify horticultural hand tools and describe the function for each tool.

Range evidence of six tools is required.

3.2 Describe care practices of horticultural hand tools.

Range evidence of three tool care practices.

3.3 Store tools safely in their designated storage area.

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#### Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	26 November 2007	31 December 2023
Review	2	30 June 2022	N/A

<b>Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference</b>	0052
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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

#### Comments on this unit standard

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