Title	Explain techniques used for farming single-seed Pacific oysters to maximise quality on farm grow-outs		
Level	4	Credits	10

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Purpose	This unit standard is for people involved in farming single-seed Pacific oysters and who have responsibility for quality and quantity of output.
	People credited with this unit standard are able to explain: the importance of stocking density and carrying capacity for optimising single-seed Pacific oyster growth and quality, and the effect of over and under stocking on crop turn over; the importance of water flow for optimising single-seed Pacific oyster growth and quality; factors that affect water flow through farm grow-out systems and the required container orientation to optimise growth and quality of single-seed Pacific oysters; and the management and husbandry practices used to optimise growth and quality of single-seed Pacific oysters on a farm grow-out.

Classification	Seafood > Aquaculture

Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

None.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Explain the importance of stocking density and carrying capacity for optimising single-seed Pacific oyster growth and quality, and the effect of over and under stocking on crop turn over.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 The explanation includes the importance of stocking density and carrying capacity in the farm grow-out system to achieve optimum growth and quality of single-seed Pacific oysters.
- 1.2 The explanation includes the effects of over and under stocking on single-seed Pacific oyster crop turn over on farm grow outs.

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Outcome 2

Explain the importance of water flow for optimising single-seed Pacific oyster growth and quality.

Performance criteria

2.1 The explanation includes the importance of water flow through the farm growout system to achieve optimum growth and quality of single-seed Pacific oysters.

Outcome 3

Explain factors that affect water flow through farm grow-out systems and the required container orientation to optimise growth and quality of single-seed Pacific oysters.

Performance criteria

3.1 The explanation includes factors that affect water flow through farm grow-out systems and the required container orientation to optimise the growth and quality of single-seed Pacific oysters.

Range evidence of six factors is required.

Outcome 4

Explain the management and husbandry practices used to optimise growth and quality of single-seed Pacific oysters on a farm grow-out.

Performance criteria

- 4.1 The explanation includes the management practices required to optimise the performance of single-seed Pacific oysters on the farm grow-out.
- 4.2 The explanation includes the husbandry practices used to optimise the performance of single-seed Pacific oysters on a farm grow-out.

Range may include but is not limited to – handling, stocking density,

placement of containers, mesh size, height control, rumbling, out

of water time:

evidence of four husbandry practices is required.

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Comments on this unit standard

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