VITICULTURE
Use and maintain a grape leaf trimmer

level: 3
credit: 2
planned review date: June 2008
sub-field: Horticulture
purpose: This unit standard is for people, working or intending to work, in viticulture. People credited with this unit standard are able to use a grape leaf trimmer, and maintain a grape leaf trimmer.

entry information: Open.
accreditation option: Evaluation of documentation and visit by NZQA, industry and teaching professional in the same field from another provider.
moderation option: A centrally established and directed national moderation system has been set up by the Primary Industry Training Organisation.
special notes: Workplace procedures mean work practice guidelines which meet the requirements of the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, other regulatory requirements, and their subsequent amendments.

Elements and Performance Criteria

element 1

Use a grape leaf trimmer.

performance criteria

1.1 Stage of vine growth is verified as being suitable for commencement of this task.
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1.2 Leaf trimmer is set to remove excess foliage without damaging fruiting cane or leaves immediately adjacent to bunches of berries.

1.3 Machine is operated so that excess foliage is removed without damage to the machine, trellis, or producing vines, or injury to self or others.

1.4 Checks ensure that the optimum leaf removal result is being achieved.

element 2
Maintain a grape leaf trimmer.

performance criteria

2.1 The trimmer is maintained at the end of each day's use according to workplace procedures so that it is ready for work next day.

2.2 Any minor problems that occur during operation are fixed, and any major problems are reported according to workplace procedures.

2.3 The machine is serviced and stored at the end of the season in accordance with workplace procedures so that it is ready to operate the following year.

Comments on this unit standard

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Accreditation requirements and an outline of the moderation system that applies to this standard are outlined in the Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP). The AMAP also includes useful information about special requirements for providers wishing to develop education and training programmes, such as minimum qualifications for tutors and assessors, and special resource requirements.

This unit standard is covered by AMAP 0032 which can be accessed at http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/site/framework/search.html.