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**FLORICULTURE**  
**Prune and disbud a floriculture crop**

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<b>level:</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>credit:</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>planned review date:</b>	December 2008
<b>sub-field:</b>	Horticulture
<b>purpose:</b>	People credited with this unit standard are able to: disbud and prune a flower crop; and dispose of prunings.
<b>entry information:</b>	Open.
<b>accreditation option:</b>	Evaluation of documentation and visit by NZQA, industry and teaching professional in the same field from another provider.
<b>moderation option:</b>	A centrally established and directed national moderation system has been set up by the Primary Industry Training Organisation.
<b>special notes:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1 <i>Workplace procedures</i> refers to verbal or written instructions to staff on procedures for the worksite and equipment.</li><li>2 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.</li></ol>

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**Elements and Performance Criteria**

**element 1**

Disbud a flower crop.

**performance criteria**

- 1.1 Unwanted buds on the plant are identified in accordance with workplace procedures.
- Range: in poor position, misshapen, excess to requirements.
- 1.2 Unwanted buds are removed with no damage to the potential of remaining buds.

**element 2**

Prune a flower crop.

**performance criteria**

- 2.1 Unwanted stem growth is identified in accordance with workplace procedures.
- Range: diseased, deformed, spoiling the shape of the spray or branch, overcrowded.
- 2.2 Unwanted growths are removed in accordance with workplace procedures without damaging the rest of the plant.

**element 3**

Dispose of prunings.

**performance criteria**

- 3.1 Prunings are disposed of safely, and in accordance with workplace procedures so that they will not cause infection in any of the crops on the property.

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**Comments on this unit standard**

Please contact Primary Industry Training Organisation <http://www.primaryito.ac.nz> if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.

**Please Note**

Providers must be accredited by the Qualifications Authority or a delegated inter-institutional body before they can register credits from assessment against unit standards or deliver courses of study leading to that assessment.

Industry Training Organisations must be accredited by the Qualifications Authority before they can register credits from assessment against unit standards.

Accredited providers and Industry Training Organisations assessing against unit standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those standards.

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>.