

# AHC30116 CERTIFICATE III IN AGRICULTURE

The Certificate III in Agriculture provides a general vocational outcome in agriculture. Designed in consultation with industry experts, this qualification enables participants to enhance their knowledge base of specific skills in agricultural production.

Individuals with this qualification perform tasks in a variety of contexts, which involve some judgement in selecting equipment and services. Job roles vary across different industry sectors and may include:

- Farm or station hand
- Farm or station worker
- Livestock transport driver

With a wide variety of units on scope, Martyr Training Services can deliver specialty training that meets the unique training needs of each student. Subject to the agricultural sector of your workplace, activities may include:

- Rearing and management of grazing livestock
- Mustering, moving and penning up livestock
- Operating specialised machinery, including driving a range of farm vehicles
- Controlling weeds and pests, including applying chemicals
- Designing and constructing fencing
- Assisting with general farm maintenance

## **COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

To achieve this qualification, competency must be demonstrated in:

- 16 units of competency, made up of:
  - 2 core units, plus
  - 14 elective units

There are no entry requirements for this qualification.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this qualification at the time of publication.

## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Students in years 10-12 may apply
- The minimum age for a traineeship that is not school-based is 16 years of age
- While undertaking training, trainees will be required to work outside in the field, trainees must be capable of working with minimal supervision on a wide range of farming practices
- Compliance with occupational health and safety practices, including the use of personal protective equipment, is compulsory

You will need to have attributes appropriate to the demands of the industry, including:

- A passion for farming and enthusiasm to learn more
- A strong work ethic and ability to manage some heavy work
- A capacity to work both unsupervised and as part of a team
- Honesty, self-motivation, and a drive to improve

## COURSE DURATION

- Approximately two years, during which you will be employed
- A competency-based assessment may reduce the time required to qualify

## INCENTIVES

Payable to employer at 6-month enrolment date	\$1 500
Payable to employer on completion of traineeship	\$1 500

Employers should confirm total incentives with AASN at time of sign up

## TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

In addition to this charge, the trainer and assessor may issue an expense for travel and accommodation if it cannot be provided by the hosting property

## STUDENT CONTRIBUTION FEES

Student contribution fees are the non-government financial contribution paid to Martyr Training Services. Student contribution fees under the **User Choice program** are set at **\$1.60** per nominal hour for each module (to be calculated at the commencement of the unit). This fee may be paid on behalf of the student by their employer or third party unrelated to Martyr Training Services. It cannot be paid or waived by Martyr Training Services.

A sample fee schedule is at the end of this document. Please refer to our website for more information.

### PARTIAL EXEMPTION – TUITION FEES

Martyr Training Services must charge **40%** of the student contribution fee where the participant:

- Was or will be under 17 years of age at the end of February in the year in which Martyr Training Services provides training, and the participant is not at school and has not completed year 12,
- Holds a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card issued under Commonwealth law or is the partner or a dependant of a person who holds a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, and is named on the card,
- Issues Martyr Training Services with an official form under Commonwealth law confirming that the participant, his or her partner or the person of whom the participant is a dependant, is entitled to concessions under a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or
- Is an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person. Acceptable evidence is as stated on the Training Contract and AVETMISS VET Enrolment Form.

### FULL EXEMPTION – TUITION FEES

The PQS may apply full exemption from the student contribution fee where the participant falls into one or more of the following exemption categories. Where payment of the student contribution fee would cause extreme financial hardship, then Martyr Training Services may waive these fees

The fee waiver process should be in place at the time of the participant's enrolment. Martyr Training Services has a reasonable internal process to manage an appeal about the outcome of an application under financial hardship.

Martyr Training Services must apply for full exemption from the student contribution fee where the participant falls into one or more of the following exemption categories:

- Where credit transfer/national recognition has been applied to a unit of competency/module
- The participant is a school-based apprentice or trainee
- The participant is undertaking a qualification as part of the Skilling Queenslanders for Work – Work Skills Traineeship program

## UNITS

An asterisk (\*) next to the unit code indicates that there are prerequisite requirements which must be met when packaging the qualification.

### CORE UNITS

- AHCWHS301 Contribute to work health and safety processes
- AHCWRK309 Apply environmentally sustainable work practices

### GROUP A - SELECT AT LEAST 5 UNITS

- AHCCHM304 Transport and store chemicals
- AHCCHM307 Prepare and apply chemicals to control pest, weeds and diseases
- AHCINF303 Plan and construct conventional fencing
- AHCLSK308 Identify and draft livestock
- AHCLSK309 Implement animal health control programs
- AHCLSK311 Implement feeding plans for livestock
- AHCLSK325 Castrate livestock
- AHCPMG301 Control weeds
- BSBFIA301 Maintain financial records
- BSBINM201 Process and maintain workplace information
- BSBITU213 Use digital technologies to communicate remotely
- BSBITU306 Design and produce business documents
- BSBWOR204 Use business technology
- HLTAID003 Provide first aid
- HLTAID005 Provide first aid in remote situations
- TLIE0002 Process workplace documentation
- TLIE3002 Estimate/calculate mass, area and quantify dimensions
- TLIE3004 Prepare workplace documents
- TLIF2010 Apply fatigue management strategies
- TLIH2001 Interpret road maps and navigate pre-determined routes
- TLIH3002 Plan and navigate routes
- AHCIRG336 Operate and maintain gravity fed irrigation systems
- AHCIRG338 Troubleshoot irrigation systems
- AHCIRG346 Operate pressurised irrigation systems
- AHCLSK305 Maintain livestock water supplies
- AHCMOM313 Operate mobile irrigation machinery and equipment
- AHCWOL304 Prepare fleece wool for classing
- AHCWRK204 Work effectively in the industry

### GROUP B

- AHCIRG219 Assist with low volume irrigation operations
- AHCIRG220 Assist with surface irrigation operations
- AHCIRG221 Assist with pressurised irrigation operations
- AHCSHG201 Crutch sheep
- AHCSHG202 Assist in preparing for shearing and crutching
- AHCSHG203 Shear sheep to novice level
- AHCSHG301 Prepare livestock for shearing

## GROUP B CONTINUED

AHCSHG302	Prepare combs and cutters for machine shearing
AHCSHG306	Carry out post-shearing procedures
AHCWOL308	Prepare facilities for shearing and crutching
AHCWOL310	Press wool for a clip
AHCWOL311	Perform shed duties
AHCLSK319	Slaughter livestock
AHCLSK321	Service and repair bores and windmills
AHCLSK337*	Train, care for and ride horses for stock work(*AHCLSK218)
AHCMOM202	Operate tractors (Must provide own machine)
AHCMOM206	Conduct grader operations (Must provide own machine)
AHCMOM207	Conduct front-end loader operations
AHCMOM216	Operate side by side utility vehicles
AHCMOM217	Operate quad bikes
RIIMPO318F	Conduct civil construction skid steer loader operations
RIIMPO319E	Conduct backhoe/loader operations (Must provide own machine)
RIIMPO324F	Conduct civil construction grader operations (Must provide own machine)
RIIWHS202D	Enter and work in confined spaces
RIIWHS204D	Work safely at heights
TLILIC0003	Licence to operate a forklift truck

## IMPORTED UNITS - SELECT NO MORE THAN 4

AHCSHG204	Shear sheep to improve level
AHCSHG205	Grind combs and cutters for machine shearing
AHCSHG206	Prepare handpiece and downtube for machine shearing
AHCWOL201	Pen sheep
AHCWOL202	Perform board duties
AHCWOL203	Carry out wool pressing
TLID1001	Shift materials safely using manual handling methods
AHCWHS201	Participate in work health and safety processes
AHCWRK209	Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices
AHCINF202	Install, maintain and repair farm fencing
AHCINF203	Maintain properties and structures
AHCLSK205	Handle livestock using basic techniques
AHCLSK206	Identify and mark livestock
AHCLSK207	Load and unload livestock
AHCLSK209	Monitor water supplies
AHCLSK210	Muster and move livestock
AHCLSK211	Provide feed for livestock
AHCMOM201	Operate two wheel motorbikes
AHCMOM205	Operate vehicles
HLTAID002	Provide basic emergency life support
ACMEQU202*	Handle horses safely (*ACMEQU205)
ACMEQU205	Apply knowledge of horse behaviour
ACMEQU206*	Perform horse riding skills at walk, trot and canter (*ACMEQU202)
AHCLSK218*	Ride educated horses to carry out basic stock work (*ACMEQU206)
AHCMOM208	Conduct excavator operations
AHCMOM209	Conduct dozer operations (Must provide own machine)

## APPENDIX A

### EXAMPLE OF CONTRIBUTION FEE

UNIT CODE	UNIT NAME	FUNDED HRS	PER UNIT \$
ACMEQU202	Handle horses safely	100	160.00
ACMEQU205	Apply knowledge of horse behaviour	60	96.00
ACMEQU206	Perform horse riding skills at walk, trot and canter	60	96.00
AHCINF202	Install, maintain and repair farm fencing	30	48.00
AHCINF203	Maintain properties and structures	30	48.00
AHCLSK205	Handle livestock using basic techniques	30	48.00
AHCLSK206	Identify and mark livestock	20	32.00
AHCLSK207	Load and unload livestock	20	32.00
AHCLSK209	Monitor water supplies	20	32.00
AHCLSK210	Muster and move livestock	25	40.00
AHCLSK211	Provide feed for livestock	30	48.00
AHCLSK218	Ride educated horses to carry out basic stock work	50	80.00
AHCLSK325	Castrate livestock	20	32.00
AHCMOM201	Operate two wheel motorbikes	30	48.00
AHCMOM205	Operate vehicles	20	32.00
AHCWHS201	Participate in work health and safety processes	20	32.00
AHCWRK204	Work effectively in the industry	20	32.00
AHCWRK209	Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices	20	32.00
			<b>Total</b>
			968.00