

# Primary Production

AHC30116 **Certificate III in Agriculture**  
AHC32816 **Certificate III in Rural Operations**



**RST**  
RTO code 140107

Regional Skills Training

Providing training solutions for rural and regional Australia

## Course overview

The Regional Skills Training (RST) Primary Production Program offers training under the following qualifications:

- > AHC30116 Certificate III in Agriculture
- > AHC32816 Certificate III in Rural Operations

RST will work with you to determine the most suitable course to meet your needs. Students participating in these courses can expect to gain practical skills needed for careers in various sectors of the agricultural industry including broadacre cropping, livestock and mixed farming enterprises.

## Topics/units of competency

### WORK, HEALTH AND SAFETY (WHS) AND ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE WORK PRACTICES

Work health and safety (WHS) is vital to ensuring the safety of every student and all workers and, as such, is a compulsory unit in every qualification. All students are required to attend the RST WHS workshop as part of their course. You are required to complete the unit AHCWRK309 Apply environmentally sustainable work practices.

### WELDING AND WORKSHOP TOOLS

Introduction to farm welding processes and the use of relevant power and hand tools.

### MACHINERY MAINTENANCE

Basic machinery maintenance and care of machines and engines, including small motors.

### CHAINSAWS

- > Maintenance and servicing of your chainsaw
- > Chainsaw safety, cutting techniques and plenty of trimming and cutting practice
- > Obtain your chainsaw ticket on successful completion
- > Training and assessment is conducted by Logging Investigation and Training Association Inc (RTO Code 0577)

### WORKING AT HEIGHTS AND IN CONFINED SPACES

All students attend a workshop to gain their tickets for working safely at heights and entering and working in confined spaces. These tickets are important for students working in and on silos, field bins and other structures above ground level.

### MOBILE PLANT OPERATION

If you are interested in obtaining mobile plant competencies, you can do this as part of your course. You need to have access to the appropriate machine in your workplace and be able to practice operating the machine at work. Competencies can be gained in the operation of front end loaders, skid steers, backhoe loaders, excavators and telehandlers.

### CHEMICAL ACCREDITATION

Gain full chemical accreditation to purchase and use S7 chemicals.

### CROP AGRONOMY/PEST, DISEASE AND WEED CONTROL

Identifying the requirements, deficiencies or problems in your feed paddock, fodder, or broadacre crop.

### LIVESTOCK FEEDING PLANS

- > Stock health
- > Veterinary requirements
- > Feeding plans
- > Assessing stock
- > Condition scoring and fat scoring
- > Assessing pasture value
- > Feed requirements for pregnant livestock, to increase condition, maintain condition or decrease condition

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*“The course has helped me develop a different view on a lot of topics in the farming world and helped me gain the accreditation and licenses needed in my workplace”*



## Funding and eligibility information

### SCHOOL-BASED STUDENTS

If you are eligible for a school-based apprenticeship/traineeship or Training Guarantee for SACE Students (TGSS) then you are eligible for WorkReady subsidised training.

- > To commence a school-based apprenticeship/traineeship you must have an employer and a Contract of Training -- RST can help explain this and refer you to an apprenticeship network provider who can help you, so please ask us
- > To utilise TGSS you must be 16 years old and have approval from your school -- RST can talk to your school VET coordinator, so please ask us

### NON-SCHOOL-BASED STUDENTS

If you are commencing work with a new employer and looking to do a traineeship under a Contract of Training, then you may be eligible for WorkReady subsidised training. Please contact RST for more information about your eligibility. RST can put you in touch with an apprenticeship

network provider consultant who can arrange the paperwork for your traineeship and Contract of Training.

Check your eligibility at [www.skills.sa.gov.au](http://www.skills.sa.gov.au).

Accessing WorkReady funding may affect your eligibility for future funding.

A concession rate is available if you hold a valid concession card. Refer to the course fee sheet for concession cost details.

## Delivery regions

Workshops are delivered across regional South Australia in all regions where sufficient demand is identified.

## Frequently asked questions

### WHEN CAN I START?

You can enrol and commence your training at any time.

### HOW LONG DOES THE COURSE TAKE?

By attending all scheduled workshops and successfully completing all assessments, a course should take between 18 months and two years to complete.

### WHEN ARE WORKSHOPS HELD?

Workshops are generally held during terms 1, 2 and 3 of school. Some workshops are held over consecutive days while others require you to attend a training day and then complete practical activities in the workplace.

### WHAT HAPPENS IF I MISS A WORKSHOP?

As RST delivers workshops all over the state, missed training days can be made up by attending the workshop in another region. It is suggested you make every attempt to attend all of your scheduled workshops.

### DO I NEED TO COMPLETE WORK PLACEMENT?

Students who are completing their training under a TGSS arrangement are required to complete 70 hours of relevant work placement.

Students completing under ASBA or Contract of training are already employed.

### DO I NEED TO COMPLETE A LANGUAGE, LITERACY AND NUMERACY ASSESSMENT TO ENROL?

As per the Standards for Registered Training Organisations 2015, registered training organisations (RTOs) are required to determine "the support needs of individual learners and provides access to the educational and support services necessary for the individual learner to meet the requirements of the training product". As such, RST will request all non-school based students complete a language, literacy and numeracy (LLN) test upon enrolment. WorkReady funded students may also be required to complete an additional LLN test to meet funding body requirements.



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