

Function Profile

Horticulture Trainee

General Activities

- Grow Your Own Vegetables
- General Horticulture for Food Production Skills
- Green Box Sales

Knowledge Gained

- Understanding the right type of growing media for your seeds;
- Understanding soil type and actions needed to improve soil texture and structure; Understanding depth to plant and space required between each seed;
- Understanding of propagation of seeds;
- Understanding watering and feeding regime;
- Knowledge of plant husbandry - checking health of the plant;
- Understand threats and action to protect - pests and diseases;
- Understanding of impact of weather and plant protection;
- Knowledge of when to harvest;
- Knowledge of storage methods for seed;
- Knowledge of storage methods for crop use;
- Right tool for the right job;
- Health & Safety Awareness

Skills Developed

- Customer Service;
- Cash Handling;
- Record Keeping;
- Good observational skills;
- Dexterity;
- Measuring –
 - from setting out growing area to ensuring correct mix of feed to water;
 - from soil testing to getting compost mix correct;
- Tools use skills;
 - Tools maintenance skills;
 - Basic do-it-yourself skills - woodworking;
- Plant husbandry skills - ability to apply horticultural knowledge;

Competence Behaviours

- Showing initiative that improves customer care;
- Problem solving for business effectiveness;
- Team working that improves performance

Employee Signature _____ Date _____

Manager Signature _____ Date _____