
Overview

This standard is about identifying and checking the quality of incoming cut materials including flowers, foliage and berried materials. It also covers using conditioning techniques to maintain their saleable value.

This standard is suitable for all florists.

**Performance
criteria**

- You must be able to:*
- P1 Identify and check incoming cut materials to confirm that they are of the correct type, quantity and acceptable quality, including checking for any evidence of pests and disease.
 - P2 Follow the appropriate procedure if there are any problems with incoming cut materials
 - P3 Prepare appropriate containers for incoming materials following correct hygiene procedures
 - P4 Select protective clothing, tools and equipment appropriate to the fresh materials being conditioned
 - P5 Use tools and conditioning materials safely and correctly
 - P6 Use appropriate conditioning techniques and materials to maintain the saleable value of cut materials
 - P7 Establish environmental conditions required to maintain the quality of cut materials as instructed
 - P8 Follow the appropriate stock rotation plan
 - P9 Dispose of waste in the correct manner

Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 The importance of checking the type and quantity of incoming cut materials
- K2 How to check the quality of incoming cut materials
- K3 Botanical or common names for a range of cut materials
- K4 Seasonal availability, varieties and colours for a range of cut materials
- K5 Handling and unpacking techniques for different types of cut materials
- K6 Irritant and poisonous materials and how they should be handled
- K7 The procedure to be followed if there are any problems with incoming cut materials
- K8 The tools and equipment used to condition materials
- K9 Why containers need to be cleaned
- K10 Different conditioning techniques and their application, including cutting, watering, feeding and storing.
- K11 How environmental conditions including temperature, humidity, light and water/food supply, affect fresh materials.
- K12 How the development of fresh materials can be slowed and speeded up and techniques for doing this
- K13 Safe handling techniques for cut materials
- K14 The correct procedure for the disposal/recycling of waste packaging and plant material
- K15 Your responsibilities under the relevant health and safety legislation

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