

LANH17 SQA Unit Code H51Y 04

Create plant displays

Overview

This standard covers the creation of plant displays which could include interior or exterior plants. The displays could range from borders in a formal or informal garden, hanging baskets, planting containers etc. Within this standard you will need to know how to interpret plans and drawings (specifications).

This standard is for those responsible for the creation of plant displays.

If you are working with chemicals or machinery you need to be appropriately trained or certificated in line with current legislation.

You must carry out your work in a way which will minimise any impact on the natural environment and enhance its nature, conservation and recreational value.

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Performance criteria

You must be able to:

- P1 carry out all work in accordance with relevant environmental and health and safety legislation, risk assessment requirements, codes of practice and company policies
- P2 establish employer requirements for the display
- P3 select plants and materials to meet specifications
- P4 ensure plants and materials are in a condition that is fit for use
- P5 select, prepare, use and maintain tools, equipment and machinery that are appropriate for the work safely and effectively
- P6 prepare the plants and materials according to specifications
- P7 handle and transport plants and materials safely and effectively
- P8 make sure that grouping and positioning is appropriate to the plants, environmental conditions and enhances the impact of the display
- P9 keep the plants and materials in a condition appropriate for use
- P10 use and maintain equipment in a safe, clean and effective condition throughout
- P11 use methods of support that maintain the plants' growth, appearance and intended purpose
- P12 label plants if required
- P13 carry out work in a manner which prevents damage to the surrounding area
- P14 deal with waste safely and correctly in accordance with instructions/legislation
- P15 restore the site to an appropriate condition following completion of the work

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 your responsibilities under current environmental and health and safety legislation, codes of practice and company policies
- K2 the importance of establishing the employer requirements for the display
- K3 the principles underpinning effective interior plant displays
- K4 stages of plant development
- K5 how to select plants and materials appropriate to different displays and sites
- K6 the different containers and growing mediums for displays and how to ensure they are fit for purpose
- K7 the tools and equipment required to set up plant displays and how to use and maintain them
- K8 how to prepare materials for plant displays
- K9 how to handle and transport the plants and materials safely and effectively
- K10 how to position features and groupings of plants in a way which is appropriate to them, the environment and the intended visual impact
- K11 how to ensure support methods are consistent with the display and the health and vigour of the plants
- K12 how to decide when labelling is necessary and how to label effectively
- K13 how to handle, transport and dispose of waste in accordance with legal and organisational requirements
- K14 the importance of restoring the site to a clean and tidy condition

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Glossary

Specifications: drawings, schedules, method statements, Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), manufacturers' guidelines.

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