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Outdoor Vegetable Crop Production

LEVEL 3



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Programme Aim: This programme has been designed to help enable participants to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to understand and explain pH levels in the soil, the stages of preparation required for vegetable sowing, and the tools and materials required in order to grow and harvest vegetables. Participants will learn the techniques required for thinning, transplanting, and weeding. This programme will cover topics including the preparation, planting, and growing of vegetables and also, the maintenance and harvest while applying and maintaining safety in a working environment

Participants of this programme will:

- Be capable of identifying the tools and materials associated with growing vegetables
- Know how to identify pH levels in soil and complete soil tests
- Make an informed choice on ground preparation in relation to organically grown or treatment with chemicals
- Understand how to sow vegetables correctly, be capable of identifying if vegetables are in danger of developing to maturity and carry out maintenance on an area where vegetables are being produced
- Harvest crops when required
- Understand hazard and safety requirements associated with vegetable growth

Programme Content

- pH levels in the soil and carry out soil test
- Describe a range of preventative methods for controlling vegetable diseases and pests organically or with chemicals
- Prepare the ground for growing vegetables including clearing the ground organically or with chemicals
- Sow a vegetable crop from seeds or transplant a crop to outdoors
- Maintain the vegetable crop including thinning, transplanting, watering, feeding, weed-control, mulching, disease, and pest control
- Harvest the crop at the correct stage of maturity
- Apply appropriate health, safety, and personal hygiene procedures when producing a crop of vegetables

Specific Support Available

A range of accommodations and supports are possible according to specific needs. This programme comes with a very comprehensive manual as an excellent source of reference after the programme

Programme level	This programme leads to a Level 3 on the National Framework of Qualifications
Progression and Credit Value	This programme can be used as 10 credits towards a major award in General Learning 3M0874. Learners can transfer to another programme. HCT must be notified on day one of the programme that you wish to transfer free of charge, after day one the fees for the new programme will apply.
Duration	This programme will run for 4 contact days depending on the project and will require participants to complete some work in their own time
Who should attend this course	People seeking skills in, or looking to gain formal qualification in Outdoor Vegetable Crop Production
Required fluency in generic skills	Generally learners engaging in learning activities leading to level 3 awards are ready to take on a new task in a personal capacity or role. Learners can follow direction and are moving towards independent learning. Learners will have the ability to read basic short text in a non-supported environment and will be able to make sense of quantitative information within a familiar setting or unfamiliar task in a familiar setting.
QQI Assessment	Participants who wish to achieve a QQI Component Certificate must complete 80% Skills Demonstration and 20% Portfolio/ Collection of Work
Resources Required in Order to Successfully Complete the Module	Some personal learning / study time will be required from participants. Programme packs, Assessment Briefs and some equipment will be provided as a part of the programme
Specific Entry/Access & Exemptions required	Access to programmes leading to level 3 is open. A learner seeking entry to a programme leading to awards at level 3 does not need a previous formal qualification. Some learners may have achieved certification at level 2. Recognition of Prior Learning may be considered to gain access without having certification entry requirements, to gain exception within a programme, attain an award based on experience which they don't hold formal qualification in, contact our office for more information

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