
Citrus Orchard Foreman Occupational Learning

Progressive Activities
Assessment Guide

G3:
Harvest
Management

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Chapter 1

Activity P1

Complete this activity to test your knowledge of the entire chapter:

1. What factors affect harvesting?

The weather, fruit quality, market conditions, expected yield and harvesting timeframe.

2. Temperature-wise, when should harvesting occur?

Between 13 and 30°C

3. Humidity-wise, when should harvesting occur?

Lower than 70%.

4. Which farming practices should take precedence over others?

Harvesting must take precedence over all other farming activities.

5. What are the two methods of picking citrus?

Snap picking and clipping.

6. What is snap-picking?

Snap picking is picking fruit by twisting it sharply off the tree by hand.

7. What is clipping?

Clipping is picking fruit by using clippers to cut the stem of the fruit.

8. Why are mechanical methods not used to pick export citrus?

They are more likely to injure the fruit.

9. What should not be done with dropped fruit?

It should never be picked up and placed with export fruit.

Chapter 2

Activity P2

Complete this activity to test your knowledge of the entire chapter:

1. What is the best approach to implementing health and safety on a farm?

Formulating a health and safety plan.

2. What are the components of a health and safety plan?

First aid, equipment, personal hygiene, protective clothing and equipment, emergency plan, and reporting procedures.

3. Which workers need to be aware of health and safety regulations?

Every single worker involved in harvest.

4. What are the most critical points in terms of worker safety during harvest?

Picking and transport of fruit to the packhouse.

5. When must protective clothing be worn?

Always during picking.

6. What personal hygiene requirements must workers be aware of?

Hand-washing and general cleanliness.

7. What should workers suffering from contagious diseases do?

They must report this to the supervisor or manager.

8. What should be reported to supervisors and managers?

All injuries and other unusual occurrences.