

# Open Awards Qualification Unit



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This unit forms part of a regulated qualification.

### 1 Unit Details

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| Unit Title:   | Soil Care  |
| QAC Code:     | J/507/8329 |
| Level:        | Level 1    |
| Credit Value: | 3          |
| Minimum GLH:  | 27         |

### 2 Learning Outcomes and Criteria

| Learning Outcome (The Learner will):                         | Assessment Criterion (The Learner can):                                                                                                                               |
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| 1. Know the main tools required for work in a market garden  | 1.1 Identify the main tools required for work in a market garden                                                                                                      |
| 2. Be able to use tools required for work in a market garden | 2.1 Use the following tools:<br>a) Spade or fork<br>b) Trowel<br>c) Watering can<br>d) Wheelbarrow                                                                    |
|                                                              | 2.2 Store tools after use                                                                                                                                             |
| 3. Be able to prepare soil for vegetable production          | 3.1 Prepare soil on several occasions to make it ready for vegetable production either by:<br>a) Digging over to remove weeds<br>b) Levelling<br>c) Achieving a tilth |
| 4. Understand some aspects of soil fertility                 | 4.1 Carry out elements of soil preparation from the following:<br>a) Build or turn a compost heap<br>b) Spread compost on the land<br>c) Stack or spread manure       |

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| 5. Be able to prepare a medium for seed germination and plant growth           | 5.1 Carry out elements of seed germination/plan growth on several occasions:<br>a) Prepare a growing medium for seed sowing and fill seed trays<br>b) Prepare a growing medium for seedlings and prick out or transplant them |
| 6. Be able to follow health and safety procedures relating to market gardening | 6.1 Follow health and safety procedures to minimise risk to self and others                                                                                                                                                   |