

COMPETENCY BASED CURRICULUM

FOR

AQUACULTURE MANAGEMENT

LEVEL 4



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FOREWORD

The provision of quality education and training is fundamental to the Government's overall strategy for social economic development. Quality education and training will contribute to achievement of Kenya's development blueprint and sustainable development goals.

Reforms in the education sector are necessary for the achievement of Kenya Vision 2030 and meeting the provisions of the Constitution of Kenya 2010. The education sector had to be aligned to the Constitution and this resulted to the formulation of the Policy Framework for Reforming Education and Training (Sessional Paper No. 4 of 2016). A key feature of this policy is the radical change in the design and delivery of TVET training. This policy document requires that training in TVET be competency based, curriculum development be industry led, certification be based on demonstration of competence and mode of delivery allows for multiple entry and exit in TVET programmes.

These reforms demand that Industry takes a leading role in curriculum development to ensure the curriculum addresses its competence needs. It is against this background that this curriculum has been developed.

It is my conviction that this curriculum will play a great role towards development of competent human resource for the Agriculture sector's growth and sustainable development.

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PREFACE

Kenya Vision 2030 aims to transform the country into a newly industrializing, "middle-income country providing a high quality life to all its citizens by the year 2030". Kenya intends to create a globally competitive and adaptive human resource base to meet the requirements of a rapidly industrializing economy through life-long education and training. TVET has a responsibility of facilitating the process of inculcating knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary for catapulting the nation to a globally competitive country, hence the paradigm shift to embrace Competency Based Education and Training (CBET).

The Technical and Vocational Education and Training Act No. 29 of 2013 and Sessional Paper No. 4 of 2016 on Reforming Education and Training in Kenya, emphasized the need to reform curriculum development, assessment and certification. This called for a shift to CBET in order to address the mismatch between skills acquired through training and skills needed by industry as well as increase the global competitiveness of Kenyan labour force.

TVET Curriculum Development, Assessment and Certification Council (TVET CDACC) in conjunction with Aquaculture Sector Skills Advisory Committee (SSAC), German International Cooperation and Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries have developed this curriculum. TVET CDACC in conjunction with Micro Enterprises Support Programme Trust (MESPT) have reviewed this curriculum and incorporated Food Safety.

This curriculum is designed and organized with an outline of learning outcomes; suggested delivery methods, training/learning resources and methods of assessing the trainee's achievement. The curriculum is competency-based and allows multiple entry and exit to the course.

I am grateful to the Council Members, Council Secretariat, Aquaculture and Food safety SSAC, expert workers and all those who participated in the development and review of this curriculum.

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This curriculum has been designed for competency-based training and has independent units of learning that allow the trainee flexibility in entry and exit. In developing the curriculum, significant involvement and support was received from various organisations.

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Much gratitude goes to Micro Enterprises Support Program Trust (MESPT) who initiated the review process and the incorporation of Food Safety in the Curriculum. I acknowledge the Danish International Development Agency (DANIDA) and the European Union (EU) who sponsored the review process.

I recognize with appreciation the role of the Aquaculture Sector Skills Advisory Committee (SSAC) in ensuring that competencies required by the industry are addressed in the curriculum. I also thank all stakeholders in the Agriculture sector for their valuable input and all those who participated in the process of developing this curriculum.

I am convinced that this curriculum will go a long way in ensuring that workers in Aquaculture Management acquire competencies that will enable them to perform their work more efficiently.

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ACRONYMS

AM Aquaculture Management

AQ Aquaculture

ATVET Agricultural Technical and Vocational Education and Training

BC Basic Competency

CAADP Comprehensive Africa Agricultural Development Programme

CDACC Curriculum Development, Assessment and Certification Council

CR Core Competency

CU Curriculum

DANIDA Danish International Development Agency

KCPE Kenya Certificate of Primary Education

KNQA Kenya National Qualifications Authority

KCSE Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education

MESPT Micro Enterprises Support Programme Trust

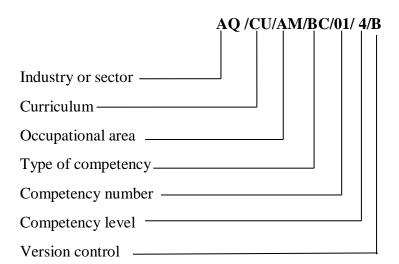
PPE Personal Protective Equipment

SSAC Sector Skills Advisory Committee

TVET Technical and Vocational Education and Training

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KEY TO UNIT CODE



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COURSE OVERVIEW

This course is designed to equip an individual with competencies for selecting suitable sites for constructing fish ponds, producing on-farm formulated fish feeds as well as promoting growth of natural foods in ponds and tanks. It further aims at equipping the individual with competencies for stocking the ponds and tanks with fingerlings and raising these to market size under optimum conditions. Additionally, the course is designed to impart the individual with competencies to operate a small-scale fish hatchery. The course is also designed to equip an individual with competencies for fish harvesting, handling and processing.

This course consists of the following basic and core units of learning:

Basic Units of Learning

Unit Code	Unit Title	Duration in	Credit Factor
		Hours	
AQ/CU/AM/BC/01/4/B	Communication skills	20	3
AQ/CU/AM/BC/02/4/B	Numeracy skills	25	3
AQ/CU/AM/BC/03/4/B	Digital literacy	35	3
AQ/CU/AM/BC/04/4/B	Entrepreneurial skills	60	4
AQ/CU/AM/BC/05/4/B	Employability skills	30	3
AQ/CU/AM/BC/06/4/B	Environmental literacy	20	3
AQ/CU/AM/BC/07/4/B	Occupational safety and	20	3
	health practices		
	Total	210	21

Core Units of Learning

Unit Code	Unit Title	Duration in Hours	Credit Factor
AQ/CU/AM/CR/01/4/B	Fish pond construction	100	10
AQ/CU/AM/CR/02/4/B	Fish feed production	100	10
AQ/CU/AM/CR/03/4/B	Fish hatchery operation	160	16
AQ/CU/AM/CR/04/4/B	Grow out fish production	100	10

AQ/CU/AM/CR/05/4/B	Post-harvest	fish	120	12
	handling			
Industrial a	attachment		260	26
Total		840	84	
		1050	105	

The total duration of the course for an average trainee is 790 hours which is equivalent to 26 weeks at 30 hours of learning per week plus 260 hours of industrial attachment.

Entry Requirements

An individual entering this course should have any of the following minimum requirements:

a) Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) mean grade E

Or

b) National skills certificate in Aquaculture Management Level 3

Or

c) Equivalent qualifications as determined by Kenya National Qualifications Authority (KNQA)

Industrial attachment

An individual enrolled in this course will be required to undergo two (2) industrial attachments; one in a hatchery facility and the other in a fish farm, each for a period of two (2) months. An individual enrolled in one of the core units of learning will be required to undergo a one-month attachment either in a hatchery facility or in a fish farm as the case may be.

Assessment

The course will be assessed at two levels:

- **a) Internal assessment**: conducted continuously by the trainer (internal assessor) who is monitored by an accredited internal verifier
- **b) External assessment:** conducted by an accredited external assessor who is monitored by an accredited external verifier

The assessor and verifiers are accredited by TVET CDACC which also coordinates external assessment.

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Certification

An individual candidate will be awarded a Record of Achievement on demonstration of competence in a unit of competency. To be awarded Certificate in Aquaculture Management Level 4, an individual must demonstrate competence in all the units of competency.

These certificates will be awarded by TVET CDACC in conjunction with the training provider.



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BASIC UNITS OF LEARNING

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COMMUNICATION SKILLS

UNIT CODE: AQ/CU/AM/BC/01/4/B

Relationship to Occupational Standards

This unit addresses the unit of competency: Demonstrate communication skills

Duration of Unit: 20 Hours

Unit Description

This unit describes the competencies required to lead in the dissemination and discussion of ideas, information and issues in the workplace.

Summary of Learning Outcomes

- 1. Obtain and convey workplace information
- 2. Complete relevant work-related documents
- 3. Communicate information about workplace processes
- 4. Lead workplace discussion
- 5. Identify and communicate issues arising in the workplace

Learning Outcomes, Content and Suggested Assessment Methods

Learning Outcome	Content	Suggested Assessment
	24.5 y	Methods
1. Obtain and convey	Communication process	 Observation
workplace information	Modes of communication	• Interview
	Medium of communication	• Third party reports
	Effective communication	
	Barriers to communication	
	Flow of communication	
	Sources of information	
	Types of questions	
	Organizational policies	
	Workplace etiquette	
	Ethical work practices in handling communication	
2. Complete relevant	Types and purposes of workplace	Observation
work-related	documents and forms	Interview
documents	documents and forms	
documents		 Third party reports

3. Communicate information about workplace processes	 Methods used in filling forms and documents Recording workplace data Process of distributing workplace forms and documents Report writing Types of workplace reports Communication process Modes of communication Medium of communication Effective communication Barriers to communication Flow of communication Sources of information Organizational policies Organization requirements for written and electronic communication methods Report writing Effective questioning techniques (clarifying and probing) Workplace etiquette Ethical work practices in handling communication 	 Observation Interview Portfolio
4. Lead workplace discussion	 Methods of discussion e.g. ✓ Coordination meetings ✓ Toolbox discussion ✓ Peer-to-peer discussion Solicitation of response 	ObservationInterviewThird party reports
5. Identify and communicate issues arising in the workplace	 Identification of problems and issues Organizing information on problems and issues Relating problems and issues Communication barriers affecting workplace discussions 	ObservationInterviewPortfolio

Suggested Delivery Methods

- Discussion
- Role play
- Brainstorming

Recommended Resources

- Desktop computers/laptops
- Internet connection
- Projectors
- Telephone
- Report writing templates

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NUMERACY SKILLS

UNIT CODE: AQ/CU/AM/BC/02/4/B

Relationship to Occupational Standards:

This unit addresses the unit of competency: Demonstrate numeracy skills

Duration of Unit: 25 hours

Unit Description

This unit describes the competencies required by a worker in order to competently Identify and use whole numbers and simple fractions, decimals and percentages; Identify, measure and estimate familiar quantities for work, Read and use familiar maps, plans and diagrams for work, Identify and describe common 2D and some 3D shapes for work, Construct simple tables and graphs for work using familiar data, Identify and interpret information in familiar tables, graphs and charts for work.

Summary of Learning Outcomes

- 1. Identify and use whole numbers and simple fractions, decimals and percentages for work
- 2. Identify, measure and estimate familiar quantities for work
- 3. Read and use familiar maps, plans and diagrams for work
- 4. Identify and describe common 2D and some 3D shapes for work
- 5. Construct simple tables and graphs for work using familiar data
- 6. Identify and interpret information in familiar tables, graphs and charts for work

Learning Outcomes, Content and Suggested Assessment Methods

Learning Outcome	Content	Suggested
		Assessment Methods
1. Identify and use	Whole numbers	• Oral
whole numbers and	Simple fractions	• Written
simple fractions,	 Decimals 	 Practical test
decimals and	 Percentages 	 Observation
percentages for work	• Sizes	
	 Problem solving methods 	
	 calculations using the 	
	4 operations	

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	Recording and communicating numerical information	
2. Identify, measure and estimate familiar quantities for work	 Measurement information Units of measurement Estimate familiar and simple amounts Selection of appropriate measuring equipment Calculate using familiar units of measurement Check measurements and results against estimates Using informal and some formal mathematical and general language Record or report results 	 Oral Written Practical test Observation
3. Read and use familiar maps, plans and diagrams for work	 Maps, plans and diagrams Locate items and places in familiar maps, plans and diagrams Recognize common symbols and keys in familiar maps, plans and diagrams Direction and location of objects, or route or places Use of informal and some formal oral mathematical language and symbols 	 Oral Written Practical test Observation
4. Identify and describe common 2D and some 3D shapes for work	 Common 2D shapes and 3D shapes Classification of common 2D shapes and designs Description of Use informal and some formal language to describe common two-dimensional shapes and some 	OralWrittenPractical testObservation

5. Construct simple tables and graphs for work using familiar data	common three-dimensional shapes	 Oral Written Practical test Observation
6. Identify and interpret information in familiar tables, graphs and charts for work	 Tables construction and labeling i.e. title, headings, rows and columns Interpreting information and data in simple tables Relaying information of relevant workplace tasks on/in a table Identify familiar graphs and charts in familiar texts and contexts 	 Oral Written Practical test Observation

 Locate title, labels, axes, scale and key from familiar graphs and charts 	
 Identify and interpret 	
information and data in	
familiar graphs and charts	
• Relate information to relevant	
workplace tasks	

Suggested Delivery Methods

- Instructor led facilitation of theory
- Practical demonstration of tasks by trainer
- Practice by trainees/ role play
- Discussion
- Observations and comments and corrections by trainers

Recommended Resources

- Standard operating and/or other workplace procedures manuals
- Specific job procedures manuals
- Mathematical tables

DIGITAL LITERACY

UNIT CODE: AQ/CU/AM/BC/03/4/B

Relationship to Occupational Standards

This unit addresses the unit of competency: Demonstrate digital literacy

Duration of Unit: 35 hours

Unit Description

This unit covers the competencies required to effectively demonstrate digital literacy in a working environment. It entails identifying and using digital devices such as smartphones, tablets, laptops and desktop PCs for purposes of communication and performing work related tasks at the work place.

Summary of Learning Outcomes

- 1. Identify computer hardware and software
- 2. Apply security measures to data, hardware and software
- 3. Apply computer software in solving tasks
- 4. Apply internet and email in communication at workplace

Learning Outcomes, Content and Suggested Assessment Methods

Learning Outcome	Content	Suggested Assessment Methods
Identify computer hardware and software	 Meaning of a computer Functions of a computer Components of a computer Classification of computers 	WrittenOralObservation
2. Apply security measures to data, hardware and software	 Data security and control Security threats and control measures Types of computer crimes Detection and protection against computer crimes 	Written testsOral presentationObservationProjects
3. Apply computer software in solving tasks	Operating systemWord processingSpread sheetsData base	Oral questioningObservationProject

4. Apply internet and	Computer networks	Oral questioning
email in	Uses of internet	 Observation
communication at	Electronic mail (e-mail) concept	Oral presentation
workplace		Written report

Suggested Delivery Methods

- Instructor led facilitation of theory
- Demonstration by trainer
- Practical work by trainee
- Viewing of related videos
- Project
- Group discussions

Recommended Resources

- Desk top computers
- Laptop computers
- Other digital devices
- Printers
- Storage devices
- Internet access
- Computer software

ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILLS

UNIT CODE: AQ/CU/AM/BC/04/4/B **Relationship to occupational standards**

This unit addresses the unit of competency: Demonstrate entrepreneurial skills

Duration of unit: 60 hours

Unit description

This unit describes the competencies critical to demonstration of entrepreneurial skills. It includes creating and maintaining small scale business, establishing small scale business customer base, managing and growing a small business.

Summary of Learning Outcomes

- 1. Create and maintain small scale business
- 2. Establish small scale business customer base
- 3. Manage small scale business
- 4. Grow/ expand small scale business

Learning Outcomes, Content and Suggested Assessment Methods

Learning Outcome	Content	Suggested Assessment
	-54	Methods
1. Create and maintain small scale business	 Starting a small business Legal regulatory requirements in starting a small business SWOT/ PESTEL analysis Conducting market/industry survey Generation and evaluation of business ideas Matching competencies with business opportunities Forms of business ownership Location of a small business Legal and regulatory requirement Resources required to start a small business 	 Observation Case studies Individual/group assignments projects Written Oral

	 Common terminologies in entrepreneurship Entrepreneurship in national development Self-employment Formal and informal employment Entrepreneurial culture Myths associated with entrepreneurship Types, characteristics, qualities & role of entrepreneurs History, development and importance of entrepreneurship Theories of entrepreneurship Quality assurance for small businesses Policies and procedures on occupational safety and health and environmental concerns 	
2. Establish small scale business customer base	 Good staff/workers and customer relations Marketing strategy Identifying and maintain new customers and markets Product/ service promotions Products / services diversification SWOT / PESTEL analysis Conducting a business survey Generating Business ideas Business opportunities 	 Observation Case studies Individual/group assignments projects Written Oral

3. Manage small scale business	 Organization of a small business Small business' business plan Marketing for small businesses Managing finances for small business Production/ operation process for goods/services Small business records management Book keeping and auditing for small businesses Business support services Small business resources mobilization and utilization Basic business social responsibility Management of small business Word processing concepts in small business Word processing concepts in small business management Computer application software Monitoring and controlling 	 Oral Observation Case studies Individual/group assignments projects Written
4. Grow/expand	 Monitoring and controlling business operations Methods of growing small 	• Observation
small scale business	 business Resources for growing small business Small business growth plan Computer software in business development ICT and business growth 	 Case studies Individual/group assignments projects Written

Suggested Delivery Methods

- Instructor led facilitation of theory
- Demonstration by trainer

- Practice by trainee
- Role play
- Case study

Recommended Resources

- Case studies for small businesses
- Business plan templates
- Lap top/ desk top computer
- Internet
- Telephone
- Writing materials

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EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

UNIT CODE: AQ/CU/AM/BC/05/4/B

Relationship to Occupational Standards

This unit addresses the Unit of Competency: Demonstrate employability skills

Duration of Unit: 30 hours

Unit Description

This unit covers competencies required to demonstrate employability skills. It involves conducting self-management, demonstrating critical safe work habits, demonstrating workplace learning and workplace ethics.

Summary of Learning Outcomes

- 1. Conduct self-management
- 2. Demonstrate critical safe work habits
- 3. Demonstrate workplace learning
- 4. Demonstrate workplace ethics

Learning Outcomes, Content and Suggested Assessment Methods

Learning Outcome	Content	Suggested Assessment Methods
1. Conduct self-	Self-awareness	Observation
management	• Formulating personal vision,	• Written
	mission and goals	Oral interview
	 Strategies for overcoming life challenges 	Third party report
	Emotional intelligence	
	 Assertiveness 	
	 Expressing personal thoughts, feelings and beliefs 	
	• Developing and maintaining high self-esteem	
	Developing and maintaining	
	positive self-image	
	Articulating ideas and aspirations	
	 Accountability and responsibility 	

Demonstrate critical safe work habits 3. Demonstrate workplace learning	 Good work habits Self-awareness Self-development Financial literacy Healthy lifestyle practices Stress and stress management Punctuality and time consciousness Interpersonal communication Sharing information Leisure Integrating personal objectives into organizational objectives Resources utilization Setting work priorities HIV and AIDS Drug and substance abuse Handling emerging issues Personal training needs identification and assessment Managing own learning Contributing to the learning community at the workplace Cultural aspects of work Variety of learning context Application of learning Safe use of technology Identifying opportunities Workplace innovation Performance improvement 	Observation Vritten Oral interview Third party report Observation Oral interview Written Third party report
	Workplace innovation	
4. Demonstrate workplace ethics	 Meaning of ethics Ethical perspectives Principles of ethics Values and beliefs 	ObservationOral interviewWrittenThird party report

- Ethical standards
- Organization code of ethics
- Common ethical dilemmas
- Organization culture
- Corruption, bribery and conflict of interest
- Privacy and data protection
- Diversity, harassment and mutual respect
- Financial responsibility/accountability
- Etiquette
- Personal and professional integrity
- Commitment to jurisdictional laws
- Emerging issues in ethics

Suggested Methods of Delivery

- Instructor lead facilitation of theory
- Demonstrations
- Simulation/Role play
- Group Discussion
- Presentations
- Projects
- Case studies
- Assignments

Recommended Resources

- Computers
- Stationery
- Charts
- Video clips
- Audio tapes
- Radio sets
- TV sets
- LCD projectors

ENVIRONMENTAL LITERACY

UNIT CODE: AQ/CU/AM/BC/06/4/B

Relationship to Occupational Standards

This unit addresses the unit of competency: Demonstrate environmental literacy

Duration of Unit: 20 hours

Unit Description

This unit describes the competencies required to control environmental hazard, control environmental pollution, comply with workplace sustainable resource use and evaluate current practices in relation to resource usage.

Summary of Learning Outcomes

- 1. Control environmental hazard
- 2. Control environmental Pollution
- 3. Demonstrate sustainable resource use
- 4. Evaluate current practices in relation to resource usage

Learning Outcomes, Content and Suggested Assessment Methods

	A.	Suggested
Learning Outcome	Content	Assessment
	Ø5	Methods
Control environmental hazard	 Purposes and content of Environmental Management and Coordination Act 1999 Purposes and content of Solid Waste Act Storage methods for environmentally hazardous materials Disposal methods of hazardous wastes Types and uses of PPE in line with environmental regulations Occupational Safety and Health 	 Written questions Oral questions Observation of work procedures
	Standards (OSHS)	

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2. Control environmental Pollution control	Types of pollutionEnvironmental pollution control	• Written questions
	measures	 Oral questions
	Types of solid wastes	 Observation of
	Procedures for solid waste	work
	management	procedures
	Different types of noise pollution	 Role play
	Methods for minimizing noise	
	pollution	
3. Demonstrate	Types of resources	• Written
sustainable resource use	Techniques in measuring current	questions
	usage of resources	 Oral questions
	Calculating current usage of	• Observation of
	resources	work
	Methods for minimizing wastage	procedures
	Waste management procedures	 Role play
	• Principles of 3Rs (Reduce, Reuse,	
	Recycle)	
	Methods for economizing or	
	reducing resource consumption	
4. Evaluate current	Collection of information on	• Written
practices in relation to	environmental and resource	questions
resource usage	efficiency systems and procedures,	 Oral questions
	Measurement and recording of	• Observation of
	current resource usage	work
	Analysis and recording of current	procedures
	purchasing strategies.	 Role play
	Analysis of current work processes	
	to access information and data	
	Identification of areas for	
	improvement	
5. Identify Environmental	Environmental issues/concerns	• Written
legislations/conventions	Environmental legislations	questions
for environmental	/conventions and local ordinances	• Oral questions
concerns	Industrial standard /environmental	• Observation of
	practices	work
		procedures

International Environmental	
Protocols (Montreal, Kyoto)	
• Features of an environmental	
strategy	

Suggested Delivery Methods

- Instructor led facilitation of theory
- Practical demonstration of tasks by trainer
- Practice by trainees/ role play
- Discussion
- Observations and comments and corrections by trainers

Recommended Resources

- Standard operating and/or other workplace procedures manuals
- Specific job procedures manuals
- Solid Waste Act
- Environmental Management and Coordination Act 1999
- Machine/equipment manufacturer's specifications and instructions
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH PRACTICES

UNIT CODE: AQ/CU/AM/BC/07/4/B

Relationship to Occupational Standards

This unit addresses the unit of competency: Demonstrate Safety and Health Practices

Duration of Unit: 20 hours

Unit Description

This unit describes the competencies required to practice safety and health, and comply with OSH requirements relevant to work.

Summary of Learning Outcomes

- 1. Observe workplace procedures for hazards and risk prevention
- 2. Participate in arrangements for workplace safety and health maintenance

Learning Outcomes, Content and Suggested Assessment Methods

Learning Outcome	Content	Suggested Assessment
		Methods
Observe workplace procedures for hazards and risk prevention	 Arrangement of work area and items in accordance with Company housekeeping procedures Adherence to work standards and procedures Application of preventive and control measures, including use of safety gears/PPE Study and apply standards and procedures for incidents and emergencies. 	 Oral questions Written questions Observation of work procedures
2. Participate in arrangements for workplace safety and health maintenance	 Participating in orientations on OSH requirements/regulations of tasks Providing feedback on health, safety, and security concerns to appropriate personnel as required in a sufficiently detailed manner 	 Oral questions Written tests Practical test Observation of practical work by trainees

- Practice workplace procedures for reporting hazards, incidents, injuries and sickness
- OSH requirements/ regulations and workplace safety and hazard control procedures are reviewed, and compliance reported to appropriate personnel
- Identification of needed OSH-related trainings are proposed to appropriate personnel

Suggested Delivery Methods

- Instructor led facilitation of theory
- Practical demonstration of tasks by trainer
- Practice by trainees/ role play
- Discussion
- Observations and comments and corrections by trainers

Recommended Resources

- Standard operating and/or other workplace procedures manuals
- Specific job procedures manuals
- Machine/equipment manufacturer's specifications and instructions
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) e.g.
 - Mask
 - Face mask/shield
 - Safety bootsn
 - Safety harness
 - Arm/Hand guard, gloves
 - Eye protection (goggles, shield)
 - Hearing protection (ear muffs, ear plugs)
 - Hair Net/cap/bonnet
 - Hard hat
 - Face protection (mask, shield)
 - Apron/Gown/coverall/jump suit
 - Anti-static suits
 - High-visibility reflective vest

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CORE UNITS OF LEARNING

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FISH POND CONSTRUCTION

UNIT CODE: AQ/CU/AM/CR/01/4/B

Relationship to Occupational Standards

This unit addresses the unit of competency: Construct a fish pond

Duration of Unit: 120 hours

Unit Description

This unit specifies the competencies required to construct a fish pond. It involves ability to apply food safety measures in constructing a fish pond, select and prepare a fish pond construction site, excavate the pond, protect and test the completed pond

Summary of Learning Outcomes

- 1. Apply food safety measures in constructing a fish pond
- 2. Select fish farming site
- 3. Prepare pond construction site
- 4. Excavate fish pond
- 5. Complete pond construction

Learning Outcomes, Content and Suggested Assessment Methods

Learning Outcome	Content	Suggested Assessment Methods
Apply food safety measures in constructing a fish pond	 Meaning of food safety Importance of food safety Principles of food safety Prerequisite programmes Meaning and importance of prerequisite programmes Relevant programmes in fish pond construction Hazard analysis for fish pond construction Types and sources of hazards Significance of hazards Methods of hazard control Components of HACCP plan for fish pond construction 	 Written tests Oral questioning Observation Practical

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	Critical control points	
	Monitoring procedures on	
	the control limits	
	 Corrective actions 	
	 Verification and validation 	
	 Record keeping 	
	Standards and legislations in food	
	safety on constructing a fish pond	
2. Select fish farming	Basic pond and farm layout	• Written
site	designs	• Oral
	Design interpretations	 Observation
	Types of fish ponds	
	Simple pond drainage systems	
	Site selection criteria for fish ponds	
	 Topography 	
	o Water	
	Soil type	
	o Space	
	 Vegetation type 	
	o Accessibility	
	o Statutory requirements	
	Site specific measurements for	
	o Fish ponds	
	o Drainage	
	Working space	
	o Farm layout	
	Tools and equipment used during site colorier.	
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3. Prepare pond construction site	• Factors to consider before starting	Written tests Oral presentation
construction site	Availability of extra labour Equipment and materials	Oral presentation
	 Equipment and materials required 	Observation
	Site related factors	• Projects
	Wetlands	
	Types of wetlands	
	Types of wettandsTypes of soil found in	
	wetlands	
	 Types of wetland 	
	vegetation	
	 Roots and root systems 	

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	 Wetland animals and their behaviour Site clearing Importance of site clearing Site clearing techniques Risks associated with site clearing Methods of disposing cleared vegetation 	
4. Excavate fish pond	 Types of fish ponds Parts of a fish pond Dykes Inlets Outlets Freeboard Bottom slope Core trench Harvesting basin Pond construction tools and equipment Pond measuring and pegging techniques Factors affecting design of pond dykes Construction, compacting and shaping of dykes Setting up of pond slopes and harvesting basins Common mistakes in pond construction Safety measures Use of PPEs in pond construction Basic first aid techniques 	 Oral questioning Observation Project
5. Complete pond construction	 Fitting simple inlet and outlet systems Types of inlet and outlet systems Pipe joining and assembly Alignment and fixing Pegging and trenching of supply and drainage channels Factors to consider 	Written testsOral presentationObservationProjects

- Equipment required
- Identification of ideal water intake point
- Pegging techniques for water channels
- o Excavation and levelling
- Installation of screening and water control devices in pipes and channels
- Test running and repairing of newly constructed ponds drainage systems
- Dike protection and planting of grass
 - Types of grass
 - o Planting techniques
 - o Care of newly planted grass
- Control of floods and runoff
- Common defects in new ponds

- Instructor led facilitation of theory
- Demonstration by trainer
- Practical work by trainee
- Viewing of related videos
- Project
- Group discussions

Recommended Resources

Tools and equipment

- Tape measure, spirit level, string level, jembes, spades, pangas, pick axe, rake, slashers, hacksaw
- Compactors and rollers, wheelbarrows

Materials and supplies

Strings and ropes, liners, pegs, PVC pipes and joints, adhesives, screens, lime, cement, sand, ballast, timber, nails, roofing material, chicken feeders and drinkers

Personal protective equipment (PPEs)

- Gloves
- Goggles
- Helmets
- Gum boots
- Overalls
- First aid kits

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FISH FEED PRODUCTION

UNIT CODE: AQ/CU/AM/CR/02/4/B

Relationship to Occupational Standards

This unit addresses the unit of competency: Produce fish feeds

Duration of Unit: 120 hours

Unit Description

This unit describes the knowledge, skills and attitudes required to produce fish feeds. It involves ability to apply food safety measures in producing fish feeds, promote growth of natural fish foods and produce on-farm formulated feeds. It also involves trial of the fish feeds to evaluate their performance.

Summary of Learning Outcomes

- 1. Apply food safety measures in producing fish feeds
- 2. Culture natural fish foods
- 3. Produce on-farm formulated fish feeds
- 4. Package and store fish feeds
- 5. Carry out record keeping

Learning Outcomes, Content and Suggested Assessment Methods

Content	Suggested Assessment Methods	
 Introduction to food safety Meaning of food safety Importance of food safety Principles of food safety Prerequisite programmes Meaning and importance of prerequisite programmes Relevant programmes in fish feed production Hazard analysis for fish feed production Types and sources of hazards Significance of hazards Methods of hazard control 	 Written tests Oral questioning Observation 	
	 Introduction to food safety Meaning of food safety Importance of food safety Principles of food safety Prerequisite programmes Meaning and importance of prerequisite programmes Relevant programmes in fish feed production Hazard analysis for fish feed production Types and sources of hazards 	

2. Culture natural fish foods	 Components of HACCP plan for fish feed production Critical control points Critical control limits Monitoring procedures on the control limits Corrective actions Verification and validation Record keeping Standards and legislations in food safety on producing fish feeds Natural feeds Artificial feeds Nutritional requirement of 	 Written tests Oral questioning Practical tests
	 commonly cultured fish species Use of PPEs in production of natural fish foods Tools and materials for natural fish food production Production of natural feeds Types of plankton Types of fertilizers Methods of fertilization Frequency of fertilization Measuring productivity in ponds 	
3. Produce on-farm formulated fish feeds	 Use of PPEs in production of fish feeds Safety measures to be observed Uses of fish feed production materials, supplies, tools and equipment Production of artificial feeds Feed ingredients and their properties Pearson's square method Anti-nutritional factors in feed ingredients Factors affecting mixing of particles Procedure of mixing 	 Written tests Oral questioning Oral presentation Practical tests Projects

		Pelletizing processDrying methods	
4.	Package and store fish feeds	 Types of packaging materials Packaging methods Labelling information Fish feed handling and storage 	Oral questioningPractical testsOral presentationWritten tests
5.	Perform record keeping.	 Fish feeding trials Fish sampling procedure Types and uses of sampling gears Handling of fish samples Fish feeding records 	Oral questioningPractical testsWritten testsProjects

- Instructor led facilitation of theory
- Demonstration by trainer
- Practical work by trainee
- Viewing of related videos
- Projects
- Group discussions

Recommended Resources

Tools and equipment

• Meat mincers, blenders, grinders, weighing scales, dryer, mixers, containers, bag sealers, ovens, burners, drying racks.

Materials and supplies

- Fertilizers, secchi disks,
- Buckets, gunny bags, sticks, stakes
- Packaging bags, drying canvas/ polythene

Personal protective equipment (PPEs)

- Safety goggles
- Gum boots
- Helmets
- Gloves
- Dust coats
- First aid kits
- Mouth piece

FISH HATCHERY OPERATION

UNIT CODE: AQ/CU/AM/CR/03/4/B

Relationship to Occupational Standards

This unit addresses the unit of competency: Operate fish hatchery

Duration of Unit:220 hours

Unit Description

This unit describes the knowledge, skills and attitudes required to operate fish hatchery. It involves ability to apply food safety measures in fish hatchery operation, prepare fish hatchery for stocking, stock and feed broodstock. It also involves harvesting, packaging and transporting fish fry and fingerlings. It further involves maintenance of fish hatchery.

Summary of Learning Outcomes

- 1. Apply food safety measures in fish hatchery operation
- 2. Stock hatchery with broodstock
- 3. Feed broodstock
- 4. Harvest and package fingerlings

Learning Outcomes, Content and Suggested Assessment Methods

Learning Outcome	Content	Suggested Assessment Methods	
1. Apply food safety measures in fish hatchery operation	 Introduction to food safety Meaning of food safety Importance of food safety Principles of food safety Prerequisite programmes Meaning and importance of prerequisite programmes Relevant programmes in fish hatchery operation Hazard analysis for fish hatchery operation Types and sources of hazards Significance of hazards Methods of hazard control 	 Written tests Oral questioning Observation 	

Components of HACCP plan for fish hatchery operation Critical control points Critical control limits Monitoring procedures on the control limits Corrective actions Verification and validation Record keeping Standards and legislations in food safety on fish hatchery operation 2. Prepare facilities broodstock ocarrying out basic first aidcuts, CPR, fractures Handling and use of tools, equipment and materials Types of broodstock facilities Fish pond preparation — oFilling with water oPond fertilization oHappa net preparation and setting oWater flow within the system Oral presentation Projects	
3. Stock hatchery with • Broodstock selection • Written tests	
broodstock • Broodstock acclimatization • Oral questioning	_
 Transfer and stocking Oral presentation Practical tests 	ons
Practical testsProjects	
4. Feed broodstock	
○Interpret schedule • Oral questioning	_
 OWeighing feed rations Feeding methods Oral presentation Practical tests 	ons
Feeding methodsFeeding behaviourPractical tests	
Record keeping	
5. Natural fish • Broodstock – males and females • Written tests	
propagation • Stocking density • Oral questioning • Chapter for free effect 2 weeks	_
 Checking for fry after 2 weeks Harvesting fry Oral presentation Practical tests 	ons
Continue for	
• Projects • Packaging fry	

6. Maintain hatchery	o Sanitation of hatchery and related	Oral questioning
facility	components	 Practical tests
	 Cleaning and disinfection 	 Oral presentations
	o Waste disposal	• Written reports
	o Water flow rates	

- Instructor led facilitation of theory
- Demonstration by trainer
- Practical work by trainee
- Viewing of related videos
- Projects
- Group discussions

Recommended Resources

Tools and equipment

Weighing balance, measuring cylinders, harvesting gear, happa nets, buckets, refrigerators,

Materials and supplies

Feeds, fertilizers, assorted bowls, scoops, perforators, basins, packaging materials, sieves, wading suits.

Personal protective equipment (PPEs)

- Safety goggles
- Gum boots
- Wading suit
- Gloves
- Dust coats
- First aid kits
- Life ring
- Life jacket

GROW OUT FISH PRODUCTION

UNIT CODE: AQ/CU/AM/CR/04/4/B

Relationship to Occupational Standards

This unit addresses the unit of competency: Produce grow out fish

Duration of Unit: 100 hours

Unit Description

This unit specifies the competencies required to produce grow-out fish. It involves ability to apply food safety measures in producing grow out fish, prepare fish grow out culture units in readiness for stocking, as well as stock and feed the fish while monitoring and controlling disease occurrences. It also involves the competencies required to maintain farm cleanliness, manage other livestock that is integrated with fish farming, and harvest fish upon maturity.

Summary of Learning Outcomes

- 1. Apply food safety measures in producing grow out fish
- 2. Prepare grow out culture units
- 3. Stock grow out culture units
- 4. Feed and maintain fish in the grow out culture units
- 5. Maintain fish farm
- 6. Maintain fish culture units
- 7. Control disease, parasites and predators
- 8. Harvest fish
- 9. Maintain integrated livestock on fish farm

Learning Outcomes, Content and Suggested Assessment Methods

Learning Outcome	Content	Suggested Assessment Methods	
Apply food safety measures in producing grow out fish	 Introduction to food safety Meaning of food safety Importance of food safety Principles of food safety Prerequisite programmes Meaning and importance of prerequisite programmes Relevant programmes for grow-out fish production 	Written testsOral questioningObservation	

	Hazard analysis for grow-out fish	
	production	
	 Types and sources of 	
	hazards	
	 Significance of hazards 	
	 Methods of hazard control 	
	Components of HACCP plan for	
	grow-out fish production	
	 Critical control points 	
	 Critical control limits 	
	Monitoring procedures on	
	the control limits	
	Verification and validation	
	 Record keeping 	
	Standards and legislations of food	
	safety on grow-out fish production	
2. Prepare grow out	Types of grow-out units	• Written tests
culture units	 Earthen ponds 	Oral questioning
	 Lined ponds 	 Practical tests
	o Tanks	
	o Cages	
	Preparation of ponds	
	Tools and equipment	
	used in pond	
	preparation o Pond drainage and	
	o Pond drainage and drying procedures	
	O Dredging and cleaning	
	of earthen ponds	
	 Minor repair of dikes 	
	and water-flow systems	
	 Cleaning and repair of 	
	lined ponds	
	Liming of fish ponds	
	 Types of lime and their 	
	properties	
	o Application rates	
	o Methods of application	
	• Fertilization of fish ponds	
	 Types of fertilizers 	

Application rates Methods of applying organic and inorganic fertilizers Preparation of fish tanks Drainage and cleaning Detection and repair of cracks, leakages and other structural damages Chemicals approved for use in disinfecting aquaculture facilities Preparation of cage culture units Cleaning and repair of cage nets, framework, and floating devices Disinfection and drying of cage nets o Assembly and set-up of cages in water Basic record keeping and maintenance 3. Stock grow out culture Sources of fry and fingerlings in Written tests units Oral questioning Practical handling and care of fish Oral presentations and fingerlings Practical tests Fingerling packaging and transportation methods Factors to consider when stocking ponds with fingerlings Procedure for stocking fish in: Ponds Tanks Cages Post-harvest monitoring of stocked fish Handling fingerling mortalities Signs of stress in newly stocked Effects of water quality and other physic-chemical factors on fingerling survival

4. Feed fish in the grow out culture units	 Introduction to fish nutrition Important nutrients in fish diets Feeding in fish Types of fish feeds Natural food (live feeds) Compounded feeds Home-made feeds Commercial feeds 	Oral questioningWritten testsPractical tests
	 Fish feeding methods Hand feeding (broadcasting) Automatic feeders Demand feeders Fish feeding habits behaviour Feeding rates, frequency and timing Fish sampling ad calculation of feed ration adjustments On-farm feed handling and storage Maintenance of feeding records 	
5. Maintain fish farm	 Tools and equipment used required during farm maintenance Design of farm maintenance checklists Daily activities Weekly activities Monthly activities Types of grass suitable for fish farms Types of screening devices and their maintenance Weed control in water channels Cleaning and repair of water intake structures Maintenance of cage facilities Common defects on farm facilities Pond breakages and leakages Supply and drainage channels 	 Oral questioning Practical tests Written tests Oral presentations

	 Inlets and outlets Predator control structures Control of water quality in ponds 	
6. Maintain fish culture units	 Water quality management Physio-chemical parameters Monitoring of water parameters Pond fertilization Corrective actions Identification and repairs of leakages in ponds Types of inlets and outlets commonly used in fish culture units How to repair lined ponds, wooden and concrete tanks, plumbing system Types of screening devices Water flow control and management Troubleshooting of common structural defects in fish culture units Pond weeds and their control Maintenance of indoor fish culture units Care and maintenance of fish cages 	 Oral questioning Practical tests Written tests Oral presentations
7. Control disease, parasites and predators	 Critical water quality parameters Dissolved oxygen pH Temperature Turbidity Monitoring and management of water quality parameters Common signs of stress in cultured fish Fish stress control measures in ponds and tanks Common diseases in fish Signs of diseases Causes Control measures 	 Oral questioning Practical tests Written tests Oral presentations

8.	Harvest fish	•	Common fish parasites in ponds	•	Oral questioning Practical tests Written tests Oral presentations
9.	Maintain integrated livestock on fish farm	•	Maintenance and cleaning of housing structures O Fish-Poultry integration O Fish – sheep integration Factors to consider when selecting and livestock for an integrated system Handling and care of integrated livestock	•	Oral questioning Practical tests Written tests Oral presentations

•	Feeding and feed management of integrated farm animals	
•	Disease and parasite control in integrated animals	
•	Types of records and record keeping	

- Instructor led facilitation of theory
- Demonstration by trainer
- Practical work by trainee
- Viewing of related videos
- Group discussions

Recommended Resources

Tools and equipment

Slashers, Measuring tape, weighing scale, machetes, wheelbarrow, digital water test meters, water test kits, secchi disc, jembes, spades, rakes. Lime, fertilizer, tampers, liner repair kit, seine net, scoop net,basic masonry tools, graders,

Materials and supplies

Gunny bags, buckets, laundry baskets, perforators, lime, fertilizer, ropes, cover nets, twines, screens, fencing materials, traps and scarecrows, perforators, writing material, cement, sand, transport containers, fish feeds,

Personal protective equipment (PPEs)

Safety goggles, gum boots, helmets, gloves, dust coats, first aid kits, industrial mouth piece, wading suits, life jackets,

POST HARVEST FISH HANDLING

UNIT CODE: AQ/CU/AM/CR/05/4/B

Relationship to Occupational Standards

This unit addresses the unit of competency: Handle harvested fish

Duration of Unit: 150 hours

Unit Description

This unit describes the knowledge, skills and attitudes required to handle harvested fish. It involves the ability to apply food safety measures in handling harvested fish, hygienically handle, preserve, and process harvested fish. It includes marketing of fish, fish products and by-products. It also involves disposal of wastes from fish processing.

Summary of Learning Outcomes

- 1. Apply food safety measures in handling harvested fish
- 2. Prepare harvested fish for preservation
- 3. Preserve harvested fish
- 4. Process harvested fish
- 5. Market fish, fish products and by-products
- 6. Manage waste from fish processing

Learning Outcomes, Content and Suggested Assessment Methods

Learning Outcome	Content	Suggested Assessment Methods
1. Apply food safety measures in handling harvested fish	 Introduction to food safety Meaning of food safety Importance of food safety Principles of food safety Prerequisite programmes Meaning and importance of prerequisite programmes Relevant programmes for post-harvest handling of fish Hazard analysis for post-harvest handling of fish Types and sources of hazards 	Written testsOral questioningObservation

2. Propose horrogted fish	 Significance of hazards Methods of hazard control Components of HACCP plan for post-harvest handling of fish Critical control points Critical control limits Monitoring procedures on the control limits Corrective actions Verification and validation Record keeping Standards and legislations of food safety on handling harvested fish 	Weitten tooks
2. Prepare harvested fish for preservation	 Use of PPEs in preserving harvested fish Safety measures to be observed Use of fish preservation materials, supplies, tools and equipment Fish handling procedures Grading Cleaning Scaling Gutting 	Written testsOral questioningPractical tests
3. Preserve harvested fish	 Fish spoilage Fish preservation methods Icing Smoking Sun-drying Salting Freezing 	Written testsOral questioningPractical testsProject
4. Process harvested fish	 Use of PPEs in processing harvested fish Safety measures to be observed Use of fish processing materials, supplies, tools and equipment Types of processed fish products Processing methods Frying Smoking Salting Marinating Filleting 	 Written tests Oral questioning Oral presentation Practical tests Projects

5. Market fish, fish products and byproducts	 Fermentation Packaging and labelling Packaging tools and equipment Packaging materials Labelling information Products storage Factors affecting marketing of fish and fish products Price determination Distribution channels Selling methods Observation of hygiene 	 Oral questioning Written tests Observation
6. Manage waste from fish processing	 Use of tools, materials and equipment in disposal of fish processing wastes Environmental regulations for disposal of fish processing wastes Types of fish processing wastes Disposal methods of fish processing wastes 	 Oral questioning Practical tests Written tests Oral presentations

- Instructor led facilitation of theory
- Demonstration by trainer
- Practical work by trainee
- Viewing of related videos
- Group discussions
- Role plays
- Field trips

Recommended Resources

Tools and equipment

Weighing balance, wheelbarrow, pallets, filleting tables, knives, waste disposal containers, ice box, smoking kiln, solar dryer, drying racks, drying mats or canvass, domestic freezers, cool boxes, meat mincer, blender, crockery, basins, buckets, hard brush, baskets, fire-fighting equipment

Materials and supplies

Ice, salt, frying oil, polybags, cartons, gunny bags, ice packs, sealing tape, labels

Personal protective equipment (PPEs)

Gum boots, head covers, gloves, dust coats, first aid kits, mouth pieces, aprons

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