

NATIONAL SKILLS RECOGNITION PROCESS FOR PRIMARY PRODUCERS



Have you been working in the Agriculture or Horticulture Industries for a while?

Would you like to get formal recognition and qualifications for the experience, skills and knowledge you have acquired over the years... but not spend forever and a fortune doing it?

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE...

Rural Skills Australia has secured funding to provide 60 producers sourced through the National Farmers' Federation and its member and affiliated bodies with a chance to undergo a skills recognition process which may involve one face to face session and online and telephone trainer/assessor support to complete the process. Each of the 12 producers selected across 5 States (NSW, QLD, VIC, SA and WA) will have to contribute \$200 to participate.

This is your chance to kick start your management qualifications towards better farm management capability or gaining off farm work.

Rural Skills Australia, together with Regional Skills Training (a private Registered Training Organisation) have developed an on-line process for delivery of Certificate IV and Diploma qualifications in Agriculture and Production Horticulture.

HERE'S WHAT YOU DO:

- Notify Rural Skills Australia if you are keen to access this opportunity.
- Attend an information, induction and enrolment session in your state. This will be in March and April of 2011.
- Undergo a self-assessment activity which focuses on what you are good at and which units you have the best chance of gaining recognition in.
- Follow this up with an online or phone conversation with an assessor who will help you to gather the evidence which will count towards a qualification. This could be in the form of resumes, tickets, seminars, references, farm records, licenses or a range of other records.
- Collect and submit the evidence as agreed by your assessor.

The process will typically take 4–6 weeks and you could end up with part or full qualifications depending on your level of skills, knowledge and experience.

