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Carbon in Soil Using Default Values
Determination**

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1 Name of Guidelines

These Guidelines are the *Guidelines—Qualified Person under the Estimating Sequestration of Carbon in Soil Using Default Values Determination*.

2 Definitions

In these Guidelines:

advice means advice provided for the purposes of meeting the requirements of a project under the determination.

determination means the *Carbon Credits (Estimating Sequestration of Carbon in Soil Using Default Values) Methodology Determination 2015*.

Guidelines means the *Guidelines—Qualified Person under the Estimating Sequestration of Carbon in Soil Using Default Values Determination*.

3 Meaning of *qualified person*

- (1) For the purposes of the determination, **qualified person** has the meaning set out in these Guidelines.
- (2) A qualified person is a person who either:
 - (a) holds the qualifications specified in these Guidelines for the project management activities and management actions for which the person provides advice; or
 - (b) has been accredited in accordance with section 7.

4 Recognised qualifications—nutrient management and soil acidity

- (1) This section specifies the required qualifications for a qualified person in relation to nutrient management and soil acidity management actions in a sustainable intensification project management activity.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1), a qualified person is a person who:
 - (a) has successfully completed the national unit of competency, or its equivalent, specified in subsection (3);
 - (b) provides advice based on the skills specified in that unit; and
 - (c) meets the requirements set out in section 6 and subsection 7(2).
- (3) For the purposes of paragraphs (2)(a) and (b), the national unit of competency is ‘AHCPCM402A—Develop a soil health and plant nutrition program’.

Note The units of competency specified in subsections 4(3) and 5(3) are available on the website www.training.gov.au.

5 Recognised qualifications—pasture renovation and conversion to pasture

- (1) This section specifies the required qualifications for a qualified person in relation to:
 - (a) a pasture renovation project management action in a sustainable intensification project management activity; and
 - (b) a conversion to pasture project management activity.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1), a qualified person is a person who:
 - (a) has successfully completed the national units of competency, or their equivalent, specified in subsection (3); and
 - (b) provides advice based on the skills specified in those units; and
 - (c) meets the requirements set out in section 6.
- (3) For the purposes of paragraphs (2)(a) and (b), the national units of competency are:
 - (a) ‘AHCBAC401A—Manage pastures for livestock production’; and
 - (b) ‘AHCBAC402A—Plan a pasture establishment program’.

6 Qualified person—professional development

- (1) A qualified person must have undertaken at least a total of 2 days of professional development relevant to the project management activity and management action in relation to which the person provides advice.

Note 1: A total of 2 days of professional development may be compiled over more than 2 calendar days.

Note 2: Professional development could include attending a relevant conference or field day or undertaking a formal training course.

- (2) The professional development must have been undertaken in the 12 months before the person provides advice.

7 Accreditation by a nationally-recognised professional organisation

- (1) A qualified person is a person who has current accreditation with the organisation specified in subsection (2) at the time of providing advice.
- (2) For nutrient management and soil acidity management actions in a sustainable intensification project management activity, the person must hold accreditation as a Fertcare accredited advisor by Fertiliser Australia Incorporated.