



Farming

FARM HAND

ALSO CALLED

- Farm hand
- Station assistant
- Farm assistant
- Jackaroo
- Jillaroo



WHAT'S THE JOB ABOUT?

- **Working with animals**

Working with horses, bikes, dogs to muster livestock; handling and looking after livestock in yards and feedlots

- **Operating a range of machinery and equipment**

Motorcycles; ATV's; tractors; farm vehicles; small engines

- **Carrying out a wide range of outdoor tasks**

Maintaining fences, yards, sheds, stock water supplies

WORK CONDITIONS

- Farm work is very practical and usually outdoors. Depending on the season and activity the hours can be irregular and long.
- On larger properties some workers can specialise in livestock or machinery and cropping.

EXPERIENCE AND RELATED TRAINING

- To be employed as a farm hand you will usually need to have some experience or training.
- You can undertake vocational training before starting a job or in a traineeship whilst working.
- Employers will provide on-the-job induction and training and may require you to do some vocational training.
- If you are already working at this level, you can have your skills recognised by applying for a qualification with a training provider.
- Check whether there are training or licensing requirements in your state or territory to do some tasks such as using chemicals or chainsaws, operating a front-end loader or driving a vehicle.

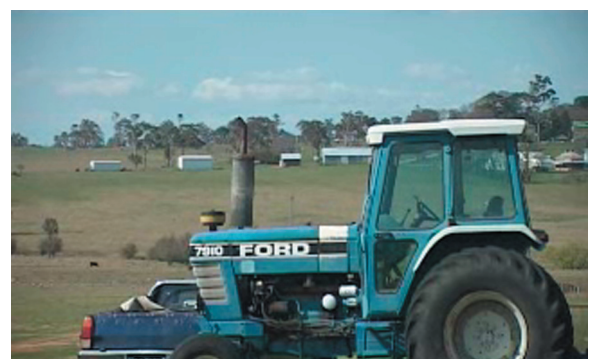


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Career path	Training Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farm assistant <p>Doing a range of the above tasks you would normally work under supervision with a more experienced person or the boss.</p>	<p>VOCATIONAL TRAINING</p> <p>Certificate 2 in Agriculture</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Station hand <p>You work with much less supervision on your own or in a team and can make some decisions when doing the above tasks.</p>	<p>VOCATIONAL TRAINING</p> <p>Certificate 3 in Agriculture</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior station hand <p>You make decisions about how the above tasks will be done, organise and supervise other workers and report to the farm owner or manager.</p>	<p>VOCATIONAL TRAINING</p> <p>Certificate 4 in Agriculture</p>

Related Jobs

- Stockman
- Contractor – Droving
 - Mustering
 - Fencing



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