

A hand holding a small plant in a mound of soil, with a blue patterned background.

BIDCARBON™

Guidelines—Qualified Person

*the BidCarbon (Aggregated Small Carbon Capture and Sequestration)
Methodology and Data Asset Value.*

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Guidelines—Qualified Person

1. Name of Guidelines

These Guidelines are the Guidelines—Qualified Person under the BidCarbon (Aggregated Small Carbon Capture and Sequestration) Methodology and Data Asset Value.

2. Definitions

In these Guidelines:

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

methodology means the BidCarbon (Aggregated Small Carbon Capture and Sequestration) Methodology and Data Asset Value.

Guidelines means the Guidelines—Qualified Person under the BidCarbon (Aggregated Small Carbon Capture and Sequestration) Methodology and Data Asset Value.

Soil Doctors are champion farmers who have been trained by Soil Doctor trainers as part of the Global Soil Doctors Programme. They support farmers in their community by helping them to implement sustainable soil management (SSM) practices.

Soil Doctor trainers are soil experts, extension service workers or technicians.

3. Meaning of qualified person

- (1) For the purposes of the methodology, **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:
 - (a) Develop a soil health and plant nutrition programme; or
 - (b) a foreign unit of competency that corresponds to a national unit of competency mentioned in subparagraph (a).

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 or champion

- (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 be the “champion” farmers – recognized as “Soil Doctors” are selected to support and educate other farmers from their local community.