



Australian Government

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Modification History

Release	TP Version	Comment
1	AHCv1.0	Initial release

Performance Evidence

The candidate must be assessed on their ability to integrate and apply the performance requirements of this unit in a workplace setting. Performance must be demonstrated consistently over time and in a suitable range of contexts.

The candidate must provide evidence that they can:

- humanely trap animals and release or destroy the animals as required
- identify target and non-target animals in the field
- check vehicles, equipment and materials for serviceability and clean equipment before starting and on completing the job
- select and prepare the trapping site and restore it on completion of the job
- position, set, calibrate and regularly check trapping equipment
- manufacture and apply lures or attractants, if required
- handle and euthanase captured animals in accordance with animal welfare guidelines
- identify signs of target animals, using scent stations and other animal tracks and traces
- summarise and present trapping data to supervisor
- use appropriate data sheets or other recording instruments to record details of trap sets and lures as well as target and non-target capture
- apply work health and safety practices in the context of own work
- apply appropriate animal welfare practices in trapping and handling trapped animals

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must demonstrate knowledge of:

- basic requirements for ensuring the welfare of animals described in the relevant Codes of Practice and Standard Operating Procedures
- the purpose of the animal capture
- the target animal's range, movement patterns and behaviour and how to apply knowledge of these to selecting trapping location and equipment
- Factors affecting choices around equipment and resources and timing of trapping activities, including:

- the reproductive cycle of the target animal
- food preferences, both general and local, of target animals
- biology of non-target animals that may be impacted by trapping program in the area
- permissions and permits that may be required
- suitable traps for the target animal
- precautions that need to be taken to minimise trapping non-target animals
- capture and humane killing methods for target animals
- principles relating to property, stock and duty of care
- how to camouflage traps
- how to safely set off traps to render them inactive
- work health and safety procedures that relate to trapping animals
- recording and reporting requirements
- how to use decoys and lures
- how to prepare toxins
- applicable State or Territory legislation on the use and storage of toxins
- applicable legislation on the capture and handling of pest animals
- suitable personal protective equipment
- transportation methods for captured animals

Assessment Conditions

Assessment must be conducted in a real work environment trapping live animals.

The assessment team must include assessors with firearms licences.

Assessors must satisfy current standards for RTOs.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>