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# **ACM40322 Certificate IV in Animal Behaviour and Training**

**Release 1**

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## Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 6.0.

## Qualification Description

This qualification describes the skills and knowledge required for an animal trainer and/or animal training practitioner working with a specific species or across a range of species and workplaces where they are required to work closely with animal carers or owners (clients). The qualification provides options for individuals wanting to work in animal-assisted services, animal rehoming/adoption, rehabilitation roles, exhibited animal facilities or who specialise in conditioning or training different species.

The qualification is for individuals with experience in working with and caring for animals, to develop the skills required to interpret animal behaviour, apply animal learning theory, and to evaluate best practice conditioning and training methodologies and techniques to meet the welfare needs of animals, and to provide ethical services for carers/clients.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this qualification at the time of publication.

## Entry Requirements

There are no entry requirements for this qualification.

## Packaging Rules

To achieve this qualification, competency must be demonstrated in:

- 16 units of competency:
  - 8 core units plus
  - 8 elective units.

Elective units must ensure the integrity of the qualification's Australian Qualification Framework (AQF) alignment and contribute to a valid, industry-supported vocational outcome.

Electives can be chosen to provide a general qualification or a qualification with a specialisation.

For the award of the general qualification *ACM40322 Certificate IV in Animal Behaviour and Training* choose:

- at least 4 from the electives listed in Group A
- up to 4 from the electives listed in Groups A, B, C, D or E not already selected
- up to 3 from any currently endorsed Training Package or accredited course.

For the award of the qualification with an Assistance dog training specialisation, *ACM40322 Certificate IV in Animal Behaviour and Training (Assistance Dog Training)*, choose:

- at least 2 units from Group A
- all 5 units from Group E
- 1 may be selected from any group not already selected
- 1 may be from any currently endorsed Training Package or accredited course.

### Core Units

ACMBEH301	Identify behaviours and interact safely with animals
ACMBEH402	Develop, implement and monitor enrichment strategies for animals
ACMBEH403	Evaluate animal conditioning methodology and program design
ACMBEH404	Condition animal behaviour
ACMGEN303	Assess the welfare status of an animal
ACMGEN304	Promote positive wellbeing in self and others in animal care workplaces
ACMGEN402	Advise on animal industry compliance and practices
ACMWHS401	Maintain workplace health and safety processes

### Elective Units

An asterisk (\*) next to the unit code indicates that there are prerequisite requirements which must be met when packaging the qualification. Please refer to the Prerequisite requirements table for details.

### Group A General Animal

ACMARM407	Conduct community awareness programs
ACMBEH401	Develop, monitor and review behavioural husbandry strategies
ACMBEH405	Provide individual advice on animal behaviour management and training

ACMBEH406	Conduct group training classes for animal owners or carers
ACMBEH407	Conduct animal behavioural assessments
ACMBEH501	Work collaboratively to manage complex animal behaviour
ACMGEN305	Provide advice on companion animal selection and general care
ACMGEN309	Provide basic animal first aid
ACMGEN311	Maintain and monitor animal health and wellbeing
ACMVET411	Prepare, deliver and review animal care education programs

#### Group B **Animal-assisted services**

ACMAAS401	Manage animals and facilitate human-animal interaction in animal-assisted services
ACMAAS402	Apply disability awareness to animal-assisted services
CHCDIS010	Provide person-centred services to people with disability with complex needs

#### Group C **Species-specific**

ACMEQU407	Educate horses in initial handling
ACMEQU408	Educate horses to be ridden
ACMEQU409	Educate horses to be driven
ACMEQU410	Educate pack horses
ACMEQU411	Evaluate horse education methodologies and individual programs
ACMEQU412	Interpret and address horse behaviour and welfare
ACMEQU423	Manage selection of horse for handler, rider or driver
RGRPSG402*	Assess greyhounds for suitability to transition to a pet

RGRPSG404*	Carry out greyhound adoptions
RGRPSG411	Interpret and manage greyhound behaviours
RGRPSH424	Re-educate horses to manage behaviours and/or transition to new purposes
RGRPSH425	Advise on transitioning and rehoming horses
SISOEQU001	Handle horses
SISOEQU007*	Instruct horse handling skills
SISOEQU010	Identify hazards, assess and control safety risks for horse handling and riding activities

### Group D General

BSBOPS404	Implement customer service strategies
BSBESB305	Address compliance requirements for new business ventures
BSBESB404	Market new business ventures
BSBESB406	Establish operational strategies and procedures for new business ventures
BSBESB407	Manage finances for new business ventures
BSBLDR414	Lead team effectiveness
CHCDIV001	Work with diverse people
HLTAID011	Provide First Aid
TAEDEL301	Provide work skill instruction
TAEDEL402	Plan, organise and facilitate learning in the workplace
TAEDEL404	Mentor in the workplace

### Group E Assistance dog training

ACMADT301	Select appropriate equipment for an assistance dog and handler
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ACMADT401	Assess prospective handler's suitability for an assistance dog
ACMADT402	Instruct handlers with disability to train assistance dogs
ACMADT403	Train dogs using operant and classical conditioning techniques
ACMADT501*	Plan and conduct assistance dog training in specific and complex tasks

### Prerequisite requirements

Note: Units listed in the Prerequisite requirement column that have their own prerequisite requirements are shown with an asterisk (\*)

Unit of competency	Prerequisite requirement
ACMADT501 Plan and conduct assistance dog training in specific and complex tasks	ACMADT403 Train dogs using operant and classical conditioning techniques
RGRPSG402 Assess greyhounds for suitability to transition to a pet	RGRPSG411 Interpret and manage greyhound behaviours
RGRPSG404 Carry out greyhound adoptions	RGRPSG411 Interpret and manage greyhound behaviours
SISOEQU007 Instruct horse handling skills	SISOEQU001 Handle horses SISOEQU010 Identify hazards, assess and control safety risks for horse handling and riding activities

### Qualification Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACM40322 Certificate IV in Animal Behaviour and Training	ACM40321 Certificate IV in Animal Behaviour and Training	New units added to a new elective group - Group E Assistance dog  Packaging rules for Assistance dog training specialisation added  Superseded unit codes	Not equivalent

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		updated Prerequisite requirements and associated table corrected	

## Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103>