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Carry out casualty and post-rescue  
management of animals**

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## Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 3.0.

## Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.

There must be evidence that the individual has:

- provided a brief report on an initial assessment and care required for two animals of different species in different incidents
- provided animal care support and assistance in two animal incident scenarios.

## Knowledge Evidence

An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:

- visual assessment and signs of animal condition and behaviour, including:
  - level of exhaustion, consciousness
  - external bleeding
  - wounds
  - swelling or inflammation
  - potential fractures
  - behaviour, body language and vocal sounds
  - loss of full control of bodily movements
  - abnormal body, head or limb presentation, including fractures
  - characteristics of discharge from any orifice
  - hypothermia or hyperthermia
- safe manual and animal handling techniques
- types and purpose of personal protective equipment for safety and hygiene
- basic principles of animal incident management and communication protocols
- types of care to provide before veterinary support arrives to reduce anxiety or stimulation, including:

- confinement
- water and feed
- noise protection
- twitching technique
- blindfold
- companion animal
- owner
- ways to restrain or control an animal, including natural, physical and chemical controls
- biosecurity risks at animal incident scenes, including:
  - zoonotic disease risk resulting from bites, scratches and contact with body fluids
  - injuries from sharps/syringes
- overview of administration of sedation and anaesthesia used by veterinarians
- overview of euthanasia methods, including chemical overdose of anaesthetic agent, gunshot and penetrating captive bolt
- handling deceased animals with dignity
- team debriefing after an incident, including operational and critical incident stress
- procedures for record keeping and identification of animals.

## Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
  - skills must be demonstrated in a workplace setting or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions or an incident scene – this includes the use of simulations and scenarios where assessment would be unsafe, impractical or unethical
- resources, equipment and materials:
  - large animal mannequin/s, equipment and incident scene scenarios to address the performance evidence requirements
- relationships:
  - team members.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

## Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet - <https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103>