



Australian Government

ACMAIM309 Respond to marine wildlife welfare

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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 4.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to participate in a team to support the welfare of wildlife species in a range of marine environment events.

The unit applies to individuals who work in a team to assess, stabilise, release and/or care for wildlife. They take responsibility for activities and work within an organisational incident management structure.

All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures according to Commonwealth and state/territory health and safety, wildlife, and animal welfare regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace.

Most government jurisdictions have requirements that allow only appropriately authorised agencies to undertake response operations. Users are advised to check with the relevant authority.

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

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Animal Incident Management (AIM)

Elements and Performance Criteria

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1. Attend and assess wildlife event scene	1.1 Identify hazards and assess risks to people and wildlife at the scene

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	<p>1.2 Identify species and relevant state/territory regulatory requirements and cultural protocols that apply</p> <p>1.3 Monitor situation and environment and gather information to contribute to the management response</p> <p>1.4 Participate in team briefing contributing to decision making options for response to wildlife event</p> <p>1.5 Determine safe work requirements from work information, and confirm role and duties with supervisor</p>
2. Assist at the wildlife event scene	<p>2.1 Select and correctly fit personal protective equipment appropriate for situation and role</p> <p>2.2 Select equipment and gear required to perform duties at wildlife event</p> <p>2.3 Follow procedures to ensure safety of self, other personnel, general public and wildlife</p> <p>2.4 Assist with control of the site and cordon off areas to protect wildlife</p>
3. Care for wildlife at event scene	<p>3.1 Take species-appropriate action to assist animals to return to the sea according to instructions</p> <p>3.2 Collect information on status, condition and/or injuries to individual wildlife, and report to relevant personnel</p> <p>3.3 Follow instructions from veterinarian or authority in charge to stabilise and care for wildlife</p> <p>3.4 Safely capture and handle wildlife assessed as requiring ex-situ care according to organisational procedures</p>
4. Assist with management of incapacitated and deceased wildlife	<p>4.1 Secure and cordon off seriously incapacitated and/or deceased wildlife</p> <p>4.2 Assist with palliative care of wildlife as instructed</p> <p>4.3 Provide support to personnel undertaking approved euthanasia of wildlife</p> <p>4.4 Assist with data collection or scientific sampling of deceased wildlife according to instructions and within limit of role and responsibility</p> <p>4.5 Assist with disposal of deceased wildlife and waste according to local, state/territory or other jurisdictional requirements</p>

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5. Conclude operations	5.1 Complete records according to organisational procedures 5.2 Recover, clean and service equipment according to manufacturer guidelines and organisational standards 5.3 Participate in team debriefing activities 5.4 Report signs of critical incident stress in self and others to relevant personnel

Foundation Skills

This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria.

Skill	Description
Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interpret guidelines and organisational procedures relating to wildlife events
Oral communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use clear language and appropriate tone conversing with team members, supervisors and members of the public during event Use accurate industry and animal terminology in conversations with key personnel
Numeracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Estimate quantities and measurements, including weight (kg, t) and length (cm, m) of wildlife with reasonable accuracy

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACMAIM309 Respond to marine wildlife welfare	Not applicable	Developed in response to industry need	Newly created

Links

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