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# **Assessment Requirements for ACMCAS302 Provide advice on companion animal selection and general care**

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### Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 1.0.

### 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 advice on companion animal selection and general care to at least five different clients
- maintained high standards of hygiene and infection control
- maintained accurate sales records
- used safe and environmentally responsible organisational systems and procedures when working with and handling animals.

### 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:

- animal common names
- basic animal biology
- common companion animal diseases and treatment strategies
- communication procedures and systems, including sales techniques
- disinfectants, cleaning agents, cleaning techniques and cleaning equipment and materials used in a companion animal workplace
- general maintenance and cleaning of animal housing
- nutritional requirements for a range of species and breeds, including the most commonly selected companion animals
- principles of animal ethics and welfare as they apply to companion animals
- relevant commonly held products and additional services provided
- safe animal handling techniques
- species compatibility

- standards, guidelines and approaches to environmental sustainability relevant to the animal care industry
- workplace hygiene standards.

## 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
- resources, equipment and materials:
  - companion animals
  - nutritional and grooming products
  - cleaning and hygiene products
  - other products specific to the care of the specific companion animals
  - documentation relevant to the specific companion animals
- relationships (internal and/or external):
  - real clients/customers or realistic scenarios or roleplays.

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.education.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103>