

# Assessment Requirements for ACMCAS410 Conduct companion animal training classes

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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:

- conducted at least one animal training class, of at least one hour's duration, for at least three animals
- communicated effectively with animal owners and training class participants to determine animal and client needs and provide advice and assistance as required
- conducted initial and ongoing assessment of animals to assess progress against the training plan's behaviour management and conditioning strategies
- developed, reviewed and updated animal training strategies and plans for a range of breeds
- handled and restrained animals appropriately and humanely
- observed and interpreted the behaviour of owners and animals
- researched and determined training strategies to achieve desirable behaviours for a range of breeds
- supervised the training of animals in accordance with training plans
- conducted training class in accordance with training plan
- used safe waste handling and disposal procedures
- used and maintained training equipment, including restraint devices.

### **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:

- advertising strategies that can be used to promote classes
- animal anatomy and physiology related to companion animal behaviour management requirements
- animal dietary, exercise and maintenance requirements

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- animal training equipment and its use
- animals and breeds, their common behavioural traits and temperaments
- behaviour modification techniques and conditioning strategies
- disinfectants, cleaning agents, cleaning techniques and cleaning equipment and materials used in a companion animal workplace
- humane training techniques for a range of animals and training requirements
- animal welfare and ethics
- WHS and animal welfare legislative requirements and codes of practice
- safe animal handling and restraint techniques and procedures
- safe work practices
- standards, guidelines and approaches to environmental sustainability relevant to the animal care industry
- training strategies and plans.

#### **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:
  - live companion animals
  - equipment for training companion animals
  - equipment for restraining companion animals
- relationships:
  - interactions with real clients 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: - <a href="https://vetnet.education.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103">https://vetnet.education.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103</a>

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