



Australian Government

ACMEXH307 Release native wildlife to the natural environment

Release: 1

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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 prepare and successfully release native wildlife into their natural environment.

This unit applies to individuals who work in animal carer, keeper or aquarist roles, undertaking individual and team activities in small to large scale animal facilities. They perform work under broad direction and are required to take responsibility for their own work, including carrying out assigned tasks, organising processes and working to schedules.

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

Regulatory requirements apply to releasing native wildlife but vary according to state/territory jurisdictions. Users are advised to check with the relevant regulatory authority.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Exhibited Animals (EXH)

Elements and Performance Criteria

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<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Investigate options for release of native animals	1.1 Research habitat of native animals for release and identify and evaluate suitable release locations 1.2 Identify risks to released native animals and evaluate options to minimise risks

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	1.3 Develop release strategy according to organisation and regulatory requirements 1.4 Select, prepare and monitor release site in consultation with experienced personnel
2. Prepare for animal release	2.1 Assess animal's readiness to be released 2.2 Evaluate and implement monitoring devices or tactics 2.3 Complete documentation according to facility and regulatory requirements
3. Release and monitor native animals	3.1 Determine release day according to animal needs 3.2 Handle and transport animals safely and humanely to the release site using low stress techniques and appropriate equipment 3.3 Use release strategies according to animal's requirements 3.4 Monitor released animals where possible to confirm a successful return to their natural environment 3.5 Update records using facility information system

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
Writing	Interpret and record routine data related to releasing native animals

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
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<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103>