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Modification History

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| 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 basic first aid for at least two animals, in a simulated environment, covering different types of emergencies
- identified hazards and minimised the risk to self, bystanders, the public and the animal.

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:

- basic first aid techniques including how to:
 - stop bleeding
 - administer oxygen
 - minimise impact of shock by keeping animal quiet, warm and away from activity or noise
 - immobilise limb injuries, if soft tissue damage or fractures are suspected
 - hose or apply water, if available, in cases of burns or heat exhaustion
 - administer emetics or antidotes under instruction if appropriate
 - feed or water as advised
 - transport animal to veterinary assistance as soon as possible
- basic examination techniques to determine health status
- how to assess physical conditions, including:
 - broken bones
 - burns
 - lacerations
 - other injuries, trauma and medical conditions

- scratches
- vital signs of animals, including:
 - hydration status
 - pulse rates
 - respiration
 - temperature
- risks of providing first aid to animals, including:
 - risks to self, bystanders and public
 - risks to animals
- first aid casualty management principles
- first aid sources for assistance
- safe animal handling techniques and procedures
- WHS and animal welfare legislative requirements and codes of practice
- the animal emergency network.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - an environment that accurately reflects a real workplace setting
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - a range of animals or models
 - emergency scenarios
 - equipment and resources appropriate to work undertaken in an animal care environment, including personal protective equipment
- specifications:
 - access to organisational policies and procedures
 - current WHS and animal welfare legislation and regulations
- relationships (internal and/or external):
 - interactions with bystanders.

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>