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Modification History

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

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 approached and handled a minimum of three calm animals, including:

- confirmed potential animal handling hazards and risks, including basic observation of animal body language with supervisor
- selected low stress handling techniques to minimise the risk of injury or distress to animals
- assisted in the control of animals during animal care routines or activities
- followed supervisor instructions.

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:

- external features and body parts of common animals
- specific characteristics of animals, including:
 - life stage, sex and size
 - coat or skin colours
- how to describe animals using industry terminology as well as common terms
- common animal body language and behavioural signs, including those posing potential safety risks
- common health, hygiene and safety hazards of working with animals, including:
 - animal bites, kicks and/or scratches
 - manual handling
 - slippery or uneven work surfaces
 - zoonoses
- safe, low stress and humane animal handling techniques and procedures, including:

- appropriate verbal and non-verbal communication skills when approaching animals
- use of equipment, including personal protective equipment
- basic requirements for animal welfare and ethics.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - an animal care facility or an environment that accurately reflects a real workplace setting
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - live animals specified in the performance evidence
 - equipment and resources appropriate to work undertaken in an animal care environment
- relationship:
 - supervisor.

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