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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:

- provided advice about the selection and care of aquatic animal species to at least five different clients
- provided care advice for three different aquatic animal species, including transportation, nutrition, housing, welfare and social requirements
- completed at least three transactions of services, products or aquatic animals, and maintained accurate workplace records for each.

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:

- aquatic species commonly held or relevant to sector, including common names, key features and behavioural characteristics
- types of aquatic animals, including:
 - fish
 - aquatic invertebrates (including crustaceans and corals)
 - amphibians
 - turtles
- relevant commonly held products and additional services provided
- relevant legislation relating to the sale, transportation and ownership of aquatic animals
- basic aquatic animal biology
- general husbandry and care requirements of commonly selected aquatic animal species, including:
 - nutritional requirements
 - feeding techniques for a range of species

- housing requirements and general maintenance and cleaning of aquaria
- welfare, enrichment and social needs
- safe and low stress aquatic animal handling techniques
- health requirements, including preventative care
- common diseases and treatment strategies
- species compatibility
- principles of animal ethics and welfare as they apply to aquatic animals
- workplace communication procedures and systems, including sales techniques
- workplace health and safety requirements, including hygiene standards and environmental sustainability relevant to the aquatic animal care
- key requirements of Commonwealth and relevant state/territory legislation, licensing and codes of practice related to aquatic animal species, biosecurity, health and safety, and animal welfare.

Assessment Conditions

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

- physical conditions:
 - an aquatic animal retail or service workplace or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - equipment and materials commonly used in the care of aquatic animals
- relationships:
 - clients.

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>