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ACMGRM401 Carry out advanced grooming to dog breed standards

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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 groom and style the different coat types that occur in dog breed groups as specified by the Australian National Kennel Council.

The unit applies to experienced dog groomers who work in the companion animal industry sector where specialist breed-specific grooming services are provided, including for conformation or grooming competitions and shows. They take responsibility for their own work and, where relevant, the outcomes of others. They analyse information, solve problems and exercise judgement to complete a range of highly skilled grooming activities and demonstrate in-depth knowledge in specialist grooming techniques.

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

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Pre-requisite Unit

The prerequisite unit of competency for this unit is:

- ACMGRM305 Groom dogs to meet breed style and coat requirements.

Note the following chain of prerequisites that also apply to this unit.

Unit of competency	Prerequisite requirement
ACMGRM305 Groom dogs to meet breed style and coat requirements	ACMGRM304 Perform grooms on cross breed dogs

Unit Sector

Grooming (GRM)

Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements	Performance Criteria
<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Identify requirements of dogs within specific breed groups recognised in Australia	1.1 Determine classification of the dog breed 1.2 Identify the range of dogs and coat types within the breed group 1.3 Identify requirements of the breed for grooming to show or competition standards, and confirm with client 1.4 Select and prepare grooming tools, equipment and supplies, and conduct pre-operational safety checks
2. Prepare dog for grooming	2.1 Identify and interpret signs of dog behaviour traits and ill health 2.2 Select and correctly fit personal protective equipment appropriate for grooming tasks 2.3 Use safe and effective techniques to restrain dog and monitor for signs of stress 2.4 Wash dog according to coat types and condition 2.5 Apply products to coat to manage styling techniques for specific breed coat types 2.6 Dry coat according to coat types and specific breed standards
3. Clean or trim specific breed coat furnishings	3.1 Trim nails using appropriate equipment and techniques 3.2 Clean eyes and trim or remove surrounding hair according to breed standards 3.3 Clean ears and trim or remove hair according to breed standards 3.4 Remove stains from white or light coloured coat, if required 3.5 Clean face wrinkles on dog of brachycephalic breeds 3.6 Trim feet hair according to breed standards
4. Groom and style specific breed groups and coat types	4.1 Identify grooming styles for specific breed and coat types 4.2 Perform techniques used to establish and maintain grooming styles for specific breed and coat type 4.3 Use grooming techniques to complete specific breed group style 4.4 Use scissoring and finishing techniques to complete groom of

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	specific breed group
5. Complete post-styling procedures	5.1 Return dog to client or supervisor and explain techniques for maintaining groom between styling sessions 5.2 Create or update records for grooming service 5.3 Clean and maintain equipment according to manufacturer instructions and workplace procedures 5.4 Clean styling area and dispose of waste with consideration to workplace health and safety, environmental and biosecurity hazards

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
Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interpret characteristics of dog breed types from recognised industry sources
Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use industry terminology in completing grooming records
Oral communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine client requirements through open-ended questioning, active listening, paraphrasing and summarising
Numeracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Calculate dilution ratios for shampoo and cleaning and disinfectant products Interpret numerical information provided on pet grooming products and equipment

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACMGRM401 Carry out advanced grooming to dog	ACMGRM406 Carry out breed standard styling on	Title changed Prerequisites updated	Equivalent

breed standards	dog breed groups	Minor changes to performance criteria for clarity Assessment requirements updated	
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Links

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