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# **ACMINF401 Oversee site biosecurity and infection controls working with animals**

**Release: 1**

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## Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 2.0.

## Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to implement and monitor biosecurity procedures, barrier protocols and infection controls in an animal work site.

The unit applies to individuals who have coordination, team leading or supervisory responsibility for site biosecurity and infection controls. It applies to a wide range of animal work sites including veterinary practices, animal shelters and commercial properties caring for various animal species, where there are already established processes, and assumes onsite advice and higher level expertise can be accessed.

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

## Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

## Unit Sector

Infection control (INF)

## 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. Contribute to the currency of site hygiene and biosecurity procedures	1.1 Research and assess sources of advice and guidance on site hygiene, biosecurity and emerging trends in animal diseases 1.2 Review current practices to determine improvements to minimise potential areas of risk

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	1.3 Provide feedback to responsible person to update site hygiene and biosecurity procedures and associated documents appropriate for animals on site according to industry and regulatory requirements
2. Provide information about site hygiene and biosecurity procedures	<p>2.1 Explain current site hygiene and biosecurity procedures to work group</p> <p>2.2 Provide information about hazards, relevant infectious diseases and risks to work group</p> <p>2.3 Organise opportunities to provide further information, support and training for work group according to workplace needs</p> <p>2.4 Communicate all agreed site hygiene and biosecurity procedures to other parties including contractors, visitors and customers</p> <p>2.5 Maintain two-way communication with manager, person responsible for work site and/or veterinarian</p>
3. Implement and monitor procedures for infection control to minimise potential contamination to animals and workers	<p>3.1 Provide, maintain and monitor the use of personal protective equipment</p> <p>3.2 Ensure personnel comply with personal safety and hygiene standards</p> <p>3.3 Maintain and monitor procedures for cleaning and sanitising equipment and work site areas according to workplace standards</p> <p>3.4 Ensure correct use of disinfection or sterilisation methods and materials appropriate to equipment and areas according health and safety standards</p> <p>3.5 Coordinate infection control routines and schedules for work site</p> <p>3.6 Maintain and monitor specific requirements for infection control including entry and exit requirements, and movement of animals and people in or out of an area</p> <p>3.7 Maintain barriers and quarantine/isolation areas according to work site procedures</p> <p>3.8 Monitor compliance with waste management procedures including correct disposal of deceased animals and biological waste</p>
4. Maintain accurate and up-to-date site records	<p>4.1 Encourage work group and others to report signs of infectious diseases and risks promptly and proactively</p> <p>4.2 Investigate, document and report breaches in biosecurity and infection control according to work site procedures</p> <p>4.3 Ensure appropriate records are maintained according to work site</p>

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	procedures and relevant regulations including notifiable diseases

## 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.*

<b>Skill</b>	<b>Description</b>
Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prepare succinct documents that use clear language and sequenced instructions</li> </ul>
Oral communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use active listening skills and questioning techniques to obtain and clarify information about biosecurity and infection control</li> <li>Explain terminology, principles and concepts related to biosecurity and infection control to convey information appropriate to audience</li> </ul>
Navigate the world of work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognise the importance of biosecurity and infection control to the work site and the need for compliance with regulatory requirements</li> <li>Work independently and collectively, taking responsibility for plans, decisions and outcomes relating to biosecurity and infection control</li> </ul>
Interact with others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select and use appropriate written and verbal communication practices to convey information to work group and other relevant personnel</li> </ul>
Get the work done	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plan, sequence and prioritise multiple tasks to achieve outcomes</li> <li>Use routine business technologies and systems to access, prepare and communicate information</li> </ul>

## Unit Mapping Information

<b>Code and title current version</b>	<b>Code and title previous version</b>	<b>Comments</b>	<b>Equivalence status</b>
ACMINF401 Oversee site	Not applicable	New unit	No equivalent unit

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## Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: - <https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103>