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## Modification History

Release Number	TP Version	Comments
1	AHCv1.0	Initial release

## Performance Evidence

The candidate must be assessed on their ability to integrate and apply the performance requirements of this unit in a workplace setting. Performance must be demonstrated consistently over time and in a suitable range of contexts.

The candidate must provide evidence that they can:

- identify hazards and apply safe work practices
- assess and calculate alpaca numbers
- prepare handling areas, gates and access routes for alpaca movement
- monitor and anticipate alpaca behaviour in handling operations
- identify, sort, move and control alpacas for handling and husbandry operations
- use correct equipment, and calming and humane methods to minimise undue stress and risk to alpacas or handlers
- carry out typical basic alpaca husbandry tasks
- recognise and report signs of unusual behaviour, unhealthy animals or abnormal conditions
- control environmental impacts associated with alpaca handling and husbandry
- feed and provide adequate clean water to alpacas
- identify a range of plants poisonous to alpacas
- provide due care in the handling of alpacas
- read and comprehend oral and written information and instructions and maintaining alpaca handling records
- use enterprise alpaca identification systems
- follow relevant work health and safety requirements
- follow relevant biosecurity requirements
- follow relevant animal welfare practices

## Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must demonstrate knowledge of:

- alpaca behavioural characteristics and movement in handling areas

- classes of alpacas and their basic nutritional and welfare requirements
- components and functions of handling equipment
- enterprise identification systems for alpacas
- environmental codes of practice with regard to alpaca production
- correct handling techniques and restraint methods
- alpaca husbandry procedures and why they are carried out
- regulatory controls relating to the transport of animals on public roads
- relevant work health and safety requirements
- relevant animal welfare and biosecurity legislation and codes of practice

## **Assessment Conditions**

Competency is to be assessed in the work place or workplace and simulated environments that accurately reflect performance in a real workplace setting.

Assessors must satisfy current standards for RTOs.

## **Links**

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>