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Modification History

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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 use safe work practices in the calving environment
- carry out cow husbandry procedures and recognise signs of imminent calving
- apply contingency measures for calving in the event of difficulties
- prepare calving environment, materials and resources to industry standards
- ability to correctly apply calving ropes/chains and use suitable calf pulling equipment
- monitor cow condition and recognise abnormal behaviour/presentations
- ability to manual palpate and recognise simple malpresentations
- recognise abnormalities in calving behaviour, expulsion of foetus and placenta, and progress of calf immediately after birth
- recognise when normal assistance procedures are not adequate to assist the calving and specialist veterinary support is required
- maintain a safe and secure post-calving environment
- demonstrate safe and environmentally responsible workplace practices
- apply relevant work health and safety requirements
- apply relevant animal welfare practices

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must demonstrate knowledge of:

- calving behaviour and basic health and nutritional requirements as directed
- calving equipment and materials, their components and functions
- calving intervention and non-intervention strategies
- normal calf presentation v abnormal that may need assistance
- problems associated with calving and intervention and follow up treatment
- enterprise policies with regard to calving down, recording and reporting routines

- health and injury hazards associated with handling cattle
- personal protective clothing and equipment, and when and how it should be used
- procedures for cleaning and maintaining treatment equipment and materials
- relevant State/Territory legislation, regulations and codes of practice with regard to work health and safety and animal welfare.

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 conditions for RTOs.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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