



Australian Government

AHCLSK342 Prepare animals for parturition

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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 7.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to feed and care for animals through the latter stages of pregnancy to birthing.

The unit applies to individuals who prepare animals for parturition under broad direction, and take responsibility for their own work.

All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, health and safety in the workplace requirements, animal welfare legislative, regulatory and codes of practice requirements in particular the risks associated with Q fever, and sustainability and biosecurity practices.

In addition to legal responsibilities, all units of competency dealing with animals in the AHC Training Package have the requirements for animals to be handled humanely to minimise stress and discomfort.

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

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Livestock (LSK)

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. Identify and provide animal nutritional needs	1.1 Identify and confirm nutritional needs of pregnant animals according to feeding plan

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	1.2 Provide feed supplements as required 1.3 Implement procedures to minimise feed wastage and spillage, and dispose and recycle feed waste 1.4 Identify potential hazards and risks, and implement safe working practices to address risks and biosecurity hazards
2. Monitor feeding process	2.1 Monitor feeding and supplementary feeding to ensure animals are maintained in required condition 2.2 Record and report feeding abnormalities
3. Maintain a secure environment for animals	3.1 Monitor and maintain condition and security of paddocks, shelter or housing according to workplace procedures 3.2 Carry out basic repair work where required 3.3 Assess and report risk of predators to newborn animals according to workplace procedures 3.4 Implement measures to eradicate or control identified predators according to workplace procedures and environmental practices
4. Carry out animal husbandry procedures	4.1 Prepare animals for birthing according to workplace procedures 4.2 Provide protection for newborn animals prior to birth 4.3 Handle livestock and perform husbandry activities according to workplace animal welfare practices

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	Identify and interpret textual information from a range of sources to identify relevant and key information about feeding and care activities
Writing	Use clear language, accurate industry terminology and logical structure to prepare feeding records
Oral communication	Use clear language to report feeding abnormalities and predator

Skill	Description
	risks

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
AHCLSK342 Prepare animals for parturition	AHCLSK314 Prepare animals for parturition	Minor changes to application Major changes to performance criteria Foundation skills added Assessment requirements updated	Not equivalent

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