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AHCLSK369 Monitor animals in intensive production systems

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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Release 11.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to monitor livestock in an intensive production system.

The unit applies to individuals who monitor animals in intensive production systems under broad direction and take responsibility for their own work. They complete routine activities and work in a range of known contexts.

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

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

This unit applies to beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, goats and pigs.

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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1. Monitor animal health status	1.1 Identify animal health program information from the livestock production plans 1.2 Assess animal health status by routinely inspecting each animal from induction to despatch by having unimpeded access and opportunity to observe behavioural characteristics, signs of ill-health and freedom of movement 1.3 Source information on past treatment from the individual animal identification tag or identification marking and workplace records 1.4 Identify husbandry practices appropriate for the health status of the individual animal
2. Identify animals requiring treatment	2.1 Identify individual animals with potential health issues or in ill health 2.2 Determine the type and severity of infection or injury and identify or isolate affected animals requiring treatment
3. Determine the type and scope of treatment	3.1 Determine the need for, type and scope of treatment by seeking expert or veterinary advice 3.2 Prepare equipment, materials and treatment site 3.3 Identify work hazards and risks and implement safe working practices to manage risks 3.4 Record treatment batch numbers, date of expiry, withholding periods and other details of treatment according to regulations and workplace requirements
4. Administer treatment	4.1 Select, fit, use and maintain personal protective equipment (PPE) applicable to task 4.2 Handle and restrain animals using good stock handling techniques and according to animal welfare practices 4.3 Administer treatment according to chemical label or veterinary advice 4.4 Identify treated animals from non-treated animals to ensure compliance with the required withholding period (WHP) 4.5 Prepare and move treated animals as planned
5. Carry out post-treatment procedures	5.1 Monitor animal health and condition post-treatment and report on animal's progress 5.2 Identify and minimise environmental impacts associated with the

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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 workplace documentation to identify relevant and key information about animal past treatments, medication dosage, treatment and handling requirements
Writing	Use clear language, accurate industry terminology and logical structure to record animal health condition, treatment process including treatment batch numbers, date of expiry, WHP, and other details of treatment, and treatment outcomes
Numeracy	- Calculate and record routine workplace data - Use basic mathematical processes of addition, subtraction, division, multiplication, percentages, decimal points and ratios

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current release	Code and title previous release	Comments	Equivalence status

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