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AHCPRK202 Move and handle pigs

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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 9.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to move and handle pigs.

This unit applies to workers in pork production who undertake routine pig handling tasks under supervision. Work environments may include indoor and outdoor pork production systems.

Commonwealth and/or state/territory health and safety, animal welfare, environmental protection and biosecurity legislation, regulations and codes of practice apply to keeping and working with pigs. Requirements vary between jurisdictions.

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

Mandatory workplace requirements apply to the assessment of this unit.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Pork (PRK)

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. Prepare for movement of pigs	1.1 Identify and follow biosecurity procedures that apply to entering and working on a pork production site 1.2 Confirm pigs to be moved, their current location, their destination and timing of the move

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	1.3 Confirm enterprise animal welfare and biosecurity requirements for pig movement 1.4 Identify health and safety hazards, assess risks and control and/or report risks prior to commencing tasks 1.5 Select, prepare and fit appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) required for the tasks and conditions 1.6 Check gates and/or pathways/routes for clear access, and readiness of destination to receive pigs 1.7 Advise other workers of upcoming pig movement as required
2. Move pigs	2.1 Determine pigs to be moved individually and/or in groups 2.2 Handle, move and/or lift pigs using safe manual handling techniques, and low stress animal handling techniques 2.3 Monitor pig behaviour during all handling and moving activities, and identify and respond to situations and hazards that arise to avoid or minimise injury to self, others and pigs 2.4 Report and seek assistance from supervisor for incidents and/or risks beyond level of own responsibility
3. Complete movement of pigs	3.1 Check pigs are safely and securely housed or enclosed at destination 3.2 Reset gates and raceways as required 3.3 Clean and store equipment used to handle and move pigs as required 3.4 Complete pig movement records, and report incidents according to enterprise procedures

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	Interpret key information in pig movement documents

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Writing	Use industry terminology to record information about pig movements
Oral communication	Use active listening and questioning techniques to clarify and confirm supervisor instructions
Numeracy	Estimate and calculate quantity, time, weight, temperature, volume and ratio

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
AHCPRK202 Move and handle pigs	AHCPRK203 Move and handle pigs	Major changes to all sections of the unit Pig restraint, weighing and tagging removed Foundation skills added Mandatory workplace requirements added	Not equivalent

Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: -
<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>