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Modification History

Release	Comments
1	This unit of competency was first released in AMP Australian Meat Processing Training Package Release 9.0.

Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to cut off front legs, back legs or dew claws manually or with the aid of mechanical cutting equipment, depending on the scale and make up of the meat processing premises.

This unit applies to those who work under general supervision in a meat processing premises who are required to cut hocks or dew claws.

Individuals performing manual cutting are expected to already have the ability to apply safe knife handling and maintenance practices consistent with workplace health and safety requirements.

All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, according to state/territory health and safety and food safety regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace.

Mandatory workplace requirements apply to the assessment of this unit.

Licensing/Regulatory Information

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

Pre-requisite unit(s)

Nil.

Competency field(s)

N/A

Unit sector(s)

Carcase Processing (CRP)

Elements and Performance Criteria

Element	Performance criteria
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Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.
1. Prepare to cut hocks	1.1 Identify workplace health and safety requirements for task, including personal protective equipment 1.2 Identify and follow work instruction for cutting hocks 1.3 Prepare knife or equipment for cutting hocks, following work instructions
2. Remove hocks	2.1 Operate hock cutting equipment following workplace health and safety requirements and work instructions 2.2 Cut hocks according to work instructions 2.3 Cut hocks according to quality assurance requirements, avoiding contamination 2.4 Dispose of off-cuts in accordance with workplace requirements 2.5 Identify and report any issues with equipment or process to supervisor

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 elements of workplace instructions
Oral communication	- Interact with team members and/or supervisor to ensure flow of work is maintained - Ask questions to clarify information

Range of conditions

This section specifies different work environments and conditions in which the task may be performed.

This unit must be delivered in one of the following work environments.

Micro meat processing premises	- operating fewer than four days a week with a small throughput for one or more, small or large, species, or - employing fewer than four workers on the processing floor.
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Larger meat processing premises	- operating more than four days a week with a throughput for one or more, small or large, species, or - employing more than four workers on the processing floor
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Unit Mapping Information

Current Code and Title	Previous Code and Title	Comments	Equivalence
AMPCRP203 Cut hocks	AMPA2011 Cut hocks	Unit code updated Unit sector code added Unit application updated Pre-requisite removed Performance Criteria clarified Foundation Skills added Range of Conditions added Assessment Requirements re-worded for clarity Mandatory workplace requirements clarified	Equivalent

Assessment Requirements for AMPCRP203 Cut hocks

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Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.

There must be evidence that the individual has cut off the front legs, back legs and/or dew claws manually or with the aid of mechanical cutters, following workplace requirements, in a micro or larger meat processing premises.

There must also be evidence that the individual has completed two shifts on the job, fulfilling workplace requirements (these shifts may include normal rotations into and out of the relevant work task).

Mandatory workplace requirements

All performance evidence specified above must be demonstrated in a meat processing premises.

Knowledge Evidence

An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:

- workplace requirements for cutting hocks
- workplace health and safety
- the cutting lines on legs from relevant joints for animal being processed
- potential contamination and cross-contamination risks associated with removing hocks
- manual and mechanical equipment for removing hocks, and its safe use.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - skills must be demonstrated in a meat processing premises at workplace production speed
- resources, equipment and materials:

- personal protective equipment
 - equipment for cutting hocks
 - carcasses with hocks intact
- specifications:
 - task-related documents
- personnel:
 - access to workplace supervisor or mentor.

Assessment for this unit must include at least three forms of evidence.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

Mandatory workplace requirements

Mandatory workplace requirements are shown in *italic* text. Refer to the Companion Volume Implementation Guide for further information.

Link

Companion volumes, including implementation guides, are found on the national training register - <https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=5e2e56b7-698f-4822-84bb-25adbb8443a7>.