



Australian Government

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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 remove the tongue from the head of an animal or leave attached by its natural attachments, in accordance with specifications.

This unit applies to individuals who work under general supervision in a meat processing premises.

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)

AMPWHS201 Sharpen and handle knives safely

Competency field(s)

N/A

Unit sector(s)

Carcase Processing (CRP)

Elements and Performance Criteria

Element	Performance criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.

1. Prepare for work	1.1 Identify work instruction for freeing tongue from jawbone 1.2 Identify workplace health and safety requirements for task, including personal protective equipment 1.3 Identify possible sources of contamination and cross-contamination, and methods to control food safety risks
2. Free tongue	2.1 Release tongue from the jawbone following specified cutting lines in work instruction, and workplace health and safety requirements 2.2 Remove tonsils intact, where appropriate for bovine processing 2.3 Inspect tongue for contamination or defects, and take appropriate action, where required 2.4 Dispose of any waste following workplace requirements

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 requirements for freeing tongue
Oral communication	- Interact with team members and/or supervisor to ensure flow of work is maintained - Ask questions to clarify information - Report any issues to supervisor

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 registered meat processing 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
AMPCRP231 Free tongue	AMPA2081 Drop tongue	Unit code and title updated Unit sector code added Unit application updated Pre-requisite updated Performance Criteria clarified Foundation Skills added Range of Conditions added Assessment Requirements re-worded for clarity Mandatory workplace requirements clarified	Equivalent

Assessment Requirements for AMPCRP231 Free tongue

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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 freed tongues from carcase heads, 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 freeing tongue
- equipment used for freeing tongue
- cutting lines for freeing tongue, specific to species
- possible sources of contamination, and measures used to avoid it
- sterilisation techniques
- typical workplace health and safety hazards encountered when freeing tongue, and how the associated risks are controlled.

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 clothing and equipment
 - animal heads with tongues to be removed
 - equipment for freeing tongue
- specifications:
 - task-related documents
- personnel:
 - access to team members and 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>.