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Modification History

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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 operate scalding and dehairing equipment on pig and/or goat carcasses.

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)

Nil.

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 to use equipment	1.1 Identify work instructions for task and clarify where required 1.2 Identify workplace health and safety requirements for task, including personal protective equipment 1.3 Identify safety hazards associated with operating scalding and dehairing equipment, and control associated risks 1.4 Identify hygiene and sanitation requirements for using scalding and dehairing equipment to avoid contamination
2. Confirm equipment settings	2.1 Place and secure equipment safety guards 2.2 Select and confirm equipment settings, including time and scalding temperature, following workplace requirements
3. Operate equipment for scalding or dehairing	3.1 Start up scalding or dehairing equipment following workplace requirements, where required 3.2 Operate scalding or dehairing equipment following workplace requirements, workplace health and safety requirements, manufacturer's specifications and hygiene requirements 3.3 Monitor carcasses leaving the process to ensure dehairing meets workplace requirements 3.4 Identify defects and take corrective action or report issue to supervisor 3.5 Shut down equipment following work instructions, where required

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 to ensure flow of work is maintained
Numeracy	Interpret time and temperature gauges

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
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

Unit Mapping Information

Current Code and Title	Previous Code and Title	Comments	Equivalence
AMPCRP233 Operate scalding and dehairing equipment	AMPA2025 Operate scalding and dehairing equipment	Unit code and title updated Unit sector code added Unit application 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 AMPCRP233 Operate scalding and dehairing equipment

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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 operated scalding equipment to scald or dehair pig and/or goat carcasses, 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 operating scalding and dehairing equipment
- typical defects that can occur with scalding and dehairing, and the corrective actions
- workplace health and safety hazards that occur when using scalding and dehairing equipment, and how to manage the associated risks
- potential sources of contamination and cross-contamination, 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 equipment
 - scalding and dehairing equipment
 - carcasses for scalding or dehairing
- specifications:
 - workplace standard operating procedures, work instructions and task-related documents
- personnel:
 - access to team members and 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>.