ACM30321 Certificate III in Wildlife and Exhibited Animal Care

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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 4.0.

Qualification Description

This qualification reflects the skills and knowledge required for individuals undertaking a range of animal care functions in a zoo, wildlife sanctuary, aquaria or other facility where animals are cared for or exhibited. It applies to individuals who undertake activities autonomously or in teams working under broad direction. Activities may include individual animal welfare to social group management in small to large scale facilities.

Job roles covered by this qualification may include:

- Zookeeper/Animal carer
- Native wildlife carer
- Wildlife rehabilitator
- Animal technical officer
- Aquarist.

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

Entry Requirements

There are no entry requirements for this qualification.

Packaging Rules

To achieve this qualification, competency must be demonstrated in:

- 16 units of competency:
  - 12 core units plus
  - 4 elective units.

Elective units must ensure the integrity of the qualification's Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) alignment and contribute to a valid, industry-supported vocational outcome. The electives are to be chosen as follows:

- at least 2 from the electives listed below in Group A - Note: only one of the following infection control units can be selected from Group A:
    - ACMINF301 Comply with infection control policies and procedures in animal care work
    - ACMINF303 Implement infection control in the handling and care of native wildlife
- up to 2 from Group B or any currently endorsed Training Package or accredited course.

Core Units

ACMBEH302	Provide enrichment for animals
ACMEXH301	Work within a zoological facility
ACMEXH303	Prepare and maintain animal habitats
ACMEXH304	Assist with capturing, restraining and moving animals
ACMGEN301	Prepare and present information to the public
ACMGEN303	Assess the welfare status of an animal
ACMGEN304	Promote positive wellbeing in self and others in animal care workplaces
ACMGEN311	Maintain and monitor animal health and wellbeing
ACMGEN312	Provide nutritional requirements for animals
ACMGEN315	Communicate effectively with clients and team members
ACMSUS401	Implement and monitor environmentally sustainable work practices
ACMWHS301	Contribute to workplace health and safety processes

Elective Units

Group A General electives

ACMAIM203	Assist at wildlife events
ACMAIM307	Participate in large whale disentanglement operations
ACMAIM308	Respond to marine wildlife stranding
ACMAIM309	Respond to marine wildlife welfare

ACMAIM310	Participate in marine wildlife pollution event
ACMATE306	Follow containment and exclusion procedures in animal facilities
ACMBEH301	Identify behaviours and interact safely with animals
ACMBEH404	Condition animal behaviour
ACMEXH302	Support species population planning and management
ACMEXH305	Monitor animal reproduction
ACMEXH306	Rehabilitate native wildlife
ACMEXH307	Release native wildlife to the natural environment
ACMEXH308	Develop husbandry guidelines
ACMEXH309	Contribute to exhibit design and renovation planning
ACMGEN302	Care for young animals
ACMGEN309	Provide basic animal first aid
ACMINF301	Comply with infection control policies and procedures in animal care work
ACMINF303	Implement infection control in the handling and care of native wildlife
AHCBIO301	Identify and report signs of unusual disease or pest
AHCECR202	Maintain wildlife habitat refuges
AHCFAU303	Respond to wildlife emergencies
AHCPCM204	Recognise plants

Group B Species-specific electives

ACMSPE313	Provide general care of amphibians
ACMSPE314	Provide general care of birds
ACMSPE315	Provide general care of common native mammals
ACMSPE318	Provide general care of fish

ACMSPE319	Provide general care of invertebrates
ACMSPE320	Provide general care of mammals
ACMSPE321	Provide general care of non-venomous reptiles
SFICRO303	Care for crocodiles over 1.2 metres in a controlled environment

Qualification Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACM30321 Certificate III in Wildlife and Exhibited Animal Care	ACM30317 Certificate III in Captive Animals	Updated title Changed packaging rules Changed core units Additional electives and group headings added	Not equivalent

Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: -
https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103