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ACMAIM301 Use manual techniques to safely move large animals

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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 3.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to use recognised manual manipulation techniques and a rescue glide to move a recumbent or compromised large animal.

The unit applies to individuals who work as team members to assist in operations moving large animals at incident scenes. They have basic training or experience in animal incident management.

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

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

Pre-requisite Unit

The prerequisite unit of competency for this unit is:

- ACMAIM202 Participate in an incident involving large animals.

Note the following chain of prerequisites that also apply to this unit.

Unit of competency	Prerequisite requirement
ACMAIM202 Participate in an incident involving large animals	ACMAIM201 Contribute to safety at incidents involving large animals

Unit Sector

Animal Incident Management (AIM)

Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements	Performance Criteria
<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Prepare for incident response	1.1 Assess hazards and associated risks to people and animals, and discuss with team members, including the veterinarian 1.2 Participate in team briefing about incident action plan, objectives and roles 1.3 Confirm incident controller's instructions and follow organisational procedures to meet plan objectives 1.4 Manage animal owner, unauthorised personnel and/or spectators 1.5 Establish animal containment and/or release areas 1.6 Monitor safety and maintain situational awareness at all stages 1.7 Select appropriate manual manipulation technique/s for incident and animal
2. Prepare to move a large animal	2.1 Select and fit appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) 2.2 Prepare operational equipment required for technique, and check condition and serviceability 2.3 Maintain safety requirements relating to hygiene and biosecurity according to regulatory and organisational requirements 2.4 Monitor animal behaviour at all stages and maintain situational awareness to ensure safety of self, others and animals 2.5 Assist with set-up of incident scene, including planned release area for animal and escape routes for team members 2.6 Assist veterinarian with animal restraint and to stabilise the animal according to instructions 2.7 Discuss with veterinarian the need for sedation or anaesthetics to implement the action plan and for animal handling
3. Rig large animal	3.1 Approach animal calmly, and adopt a safe position to handle and move the animal according to technique employed 3.2 Maintain control of the animal's head 3.3 Place slings and/or straps in correct position for animal species and technique using appropriate aids and equipment
4. Use manual manipulation techniques to move a large animal	4.1 Work in haul team to pull or manoeuvre the animal towards the planned location according to instructions 4.2 Safely manoeuvre animal to agreed location using a rescue glide or

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safely	other appropriate equipment where needed 4.3 Cooperate and communicate with team members to ensure safety, and minimal stress to the animal
5. Release large animal safely	5.1 Remove the sling and ropes in reverse order, maintaining a safe system of work and avoiding unnecessary stimulation of the animal 5.2 Reposition animal to aid recovery 5.3 Ensure the animal is released in a planned location for monitoring during recovery phase 5.4 Handle deceased animal, where required, safely and with dignity

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
Oral communication	Listen attentively and ask questions to confirm or clarify information using appropriate technical terminology
Navigate the world of work	Recognise the purpose, main tasks, responsibilities and boundaries of own role
Get the work done	- Plan, organise and sequence own tasks, contributing to the efficiency and effectiveness of the team - Anticipate animal behavioural responses to minimise hazards and risks

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACMAIM301 Use manual techniques to	Not applicable	New unit	No equivalent unit

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Assessment Requirements for ACMAIM301 Use manual techniques to safely move large animals

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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:

- safely moved recumbent or compromised large animal/s using two of the following manual manipulation techniques:
 - forward and/or rearward assist on a standing animal
 - forward and/or rearward slide on recumbent animal
 - Hampshire slide on a recumbent large animal
 - barrel roll on an animal in a dam, pool or embankment
 - sliding using a rescue glide, glide mat or similar equipment
- used manual techniques to move a large animal trapped in an enclosed area.

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:

- key features of incident scene management, including team roles
- basic safety principles of large animal rescues and safe working behaviours around large animals
- behaviours of large animals relevant to incident scenes
- types of equipment and how to use, including:
 - rescue strap/webbing, ropes and slings
 - hooked poles – crook/J hook
 - rescue glide, glide mats or similar improvised equipment
 - head/eye protection for animal
 - emergency halters
- basic anatomy of large animals related to manual techniques, including where to place slings and straps to avoid injuries to animal

- range of manual manipulation techniques for moving large animals, including:
 - forward and/or rearward assist
 - forward and/or rearward slide
 - barrel roll
 - reposition
 - Hampshire slide
- ways to restrain or control an animal, including natural sedation
- hygiene practices working with animals
- handling deceased animals safely and with dignity.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - skills must be demonstrated in a workplace setting or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions or an incident scene – this includes the use of simulations and scenarios where assessment would be unsafe, impractical or unethical
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - large animal mannequins
 - equipment required for manual manipulation techniques to address the performance evidence requirements
- relationships:
 - team members.

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

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