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Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to plan and control the movement of animals to safe, secure and suitable sites. It covers planning, resource requirements, biosecurity and safety of people and animals.

The unit applies to individuals who have responsibility for planning and controlling the movement of large animals to temporary shelter or evacuation sites associated with a large animal incident.

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

Nil

Unit Sector

Animal Incident Management (AIM)

Elements and Performance Criteria

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<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Plan the movement and evacuation of large animals from incident scene	1.1 Receive a briefing from the incident controller or authorised delegate to determine incident action plan requirements 1.2 Develop and seek approval for an incident action plan, taking into account priorities, movement methods, site suitability, resource

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	requirements and potential for incident escalation 1.3 Assess the condition and suitability of the animals to be moved and their preparation requirements 1.4 Communicate the incident action plan to relevant personnel, addressing team and public safety, and animal welfare requirements
2. Organise safe evacuation site and movement of animals	2.1 Ensure the availability of resources and personnel to undertake the movement 2.2 Coordinate the set-up of temporary shelter or evacuation sites to ensure safe and secure containment appropriate to the needs of the large animal species 2.3 Implement and maintain appropriate safety, hygiene and biosecurity measures
3. Oversee evacuation of animals	3.1 Establish processes for identifying and registering animals to be moved to new, safer locations or temporary evacuation sites 3.2 Control and monitor the movement of the animals, adapting plans to respond to safety and animal welfare contingencies 3.3 Ensure animals are established after moving, and arrangements for veterinary care, nutrition and welfare are implemented 3.4 Implement procedures for reuniting owners with animals, and organise arrangements for unclaimed or deceased animals
4. Conclude operations	4.1 Coordinate the retrieval of equipment and clean-up of the holding area or temporary evacuation site according to organisational procedures 4.2 Participate in team debriefing activities 4.3 Complete records accurately according to regulatory and organisational requirements 4.4 Evaluate the effectiveness of the movement of animals and evacuation sites to contribute to continuous improvement processes

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	• Use clear, precise language and tone appropriate for situation and audience to convey instructions
Interact with others	• Work independently and collectively as an effective team member with a sense of responsibility and ownership of agreed plans, decisions and outcomes
Navigate the world of work	• Maintain professional conduct and ethics, and work within the limits of own authority, expertise, training, competence and experience • Recognise own responsibilities under current health and safety and animal welfare regulations, codes and organisational policies and procedures
Get the work done	• Use analytical processes to decide on a course of action, establishing criteria for deciding between options and incorporating information from others • Anticipate animal behavioural responses and use problem-solving approaches to minimise hazards and risks

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACMAIM401 Coordinate large animal movement and evacuation	Not applicable	New unit	No equivalent unit

Links

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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:

- responded to two different animal movement or evacuation scenarios, providing information about the method of movement, requirements of holding areas or temporary evacuation site, resources needed and risks involved for each scenario
- prepared a plan to evacuate a group of at least 30 animals to an evacuation site, specifying resources (equipment, personnel, transport), route and requirements of the site for an incident scenario with the potential to escalate.

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:

- principles of animal incident management system
- incident action plan for moving large animals, including:
 - assessing suitability of potential new sites and locations
 - methods, resources and transport requirements
 - contingency plans
 - incident scene risk factors
- factors affecting the movement of animals, including:
 - fitness to be moved or to travel
 - species-specific needs and behaviours
- suitable methods and equipment for moving animals, including:
 - handling and restraint methods
 - herding and mustering techniques
 - leading and walking
 - transport vehicle types

- resources required to carry out the activity, including equipment and personnel
- factors affecting the:
 - suitability and safety of the location for the animal/s to be moved to
 - containment requirements of holding areas and temporary evacuation site, including moveable barriers, fencing, ropes, improvised equipment
 - quarantine and biosecurity requirements
 - choice of route
- methods used to identify animals, and record keeping requirements
- techniques for establishing animals in new location and relevant requirements
- briefing and debriefing the incident, including operational and critical incident stress.

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:
 - equipment and incident scene scenarios involving large animals 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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