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Modification History

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

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 managed a breeding program (season) for at least one companion animal species, including:

- identified, developed and implemented breeding program aims
- selected suitable animals for breeding programs
- established appropriate mating systems and methods
- monitored breeding activities and evaluated program outcomes
- identified potential risks to animals in breeding, birth and early life procedures, and planned for emergencies
- maintained breeding program records.

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:

- anatomical and physiological structures and functions related to the reproduction, care and wellbeing of commonly held female and male animals
- basic genetics and pedigrees, including:
 - genetic conditions that may preclude breeding
 - examinations and tests that confirm animal suitability for breeding
 - issues associated with breeding pedigree or pure breed animals
 - maintenance of integrity of genetic lines
 - breed registration group and association requirements, where relevant
- animal welfare principles relevant to companion animal breeding
- breeding program systems, methods and traits related to commonly held animals
- communication procedures and systems, and technology relevant to the organisation and own work responsibilities

- companion animal breeding processes
- diseases and ailments of breeding and young animals
- normal and abnormal animal behaviour relating to the characteristics of the species, age, health status and social needs
- situations requiring veterinary advice and/or intervention, including mating and birthing complications
- breed or species-specific health testing procedures
- relevant organisational policies and procedures, including health and safety and emergency procedures
- workplace and/or industry record-keeping requirements
- protocols, legal and ethical considerations in providing care and treatment of breeding animals and their offspring
- relevant state/territory requirements for breeding companion animals, including:
 - state/territory legislation/regulation
 - licensing
 - local government requirements
 - industry codes of practice.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - an animal breeding facility or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - live companion animals for breeding program specified in the performance evidence
 - suitable housing and other equipment to support breeding programs.

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

Links

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