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Modification History

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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:

- independently, safely and efficiently performed at least five full grooms for cross breed dogs with different coat types selected from the following:
 - long/drop coat
 - double/heavy coat
 - combination/silky coat
 - fluffy/curly coat
 - short/smooth coat
 - wiry coat
- completed one tidy groom from one of the coat types above
- completed nail cutting/grinding for at least one dog.

In doing the above, the individual must have:

- performed a cross breed groom on at least one dog with special handling requirements – select from one of:
 - inexperienced, stressed or reactive dog
 - senior dog or dog with restricted movement
 - puppy (under 6 months)
- assessed each dog's conformation, health and coat condition and special handling requirements
- used grooming techniques to establish, maintain or restore coat for cross breed dogs
- identified dog behavioural characteristics and special requirements for at least three dogs in consultation with at least three different clients
- handled and secured dogs in a safe, low stress and humane manner
- selected, used and maintained grooming equipment according to workplace and manufacturer instructions

- selected, fitted and correctly used personal protective equipment (PPE)
- completed post-grooming cleaning and housekeeping procedures
- maintained records for each dog.

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:

- dog anatomy, physiology and conformation related to grooming and clipping procedures
- dog behaviour traits, including signs of distress, illness or restricted movement
- dog coat types and how to determine coat characteristics
- dog grooming products, techniques and services
- industry-recognised grooming and clipping establishment, maintenance and restoration techniques, procedures and equipment for cross breed dog coat types and conditions
- correct use of grooming equipment, including:
 - clippers
 - scissors
 - hand stripping and carding tools
- techniques and strategies for dealing with dogs with special requirements
- lifestyle-related and activity-related considerations for clipping of cross breed dogs
- safe and humane dog handling and restraint techniques and procedures
- types and transmission of zoonoses relevant to dogs
- common parasite infections for dogs, and methods of prevention and control
- workplace policies, procedures and requirements, including:
 - safety and emergency procedures
 - hygiene and infection control
 - waste disposal
 - animal welfare and humane handling
 - environmental sustainability, including resource use
- personal protective equipment, including protection for hands, face, eyes, ears and feet
- safe use of disinfectants and cleaning agents, and use of safety data sheets
- cleaning techniques, equipment and materials used in a companion animal workplace
- requirements of workplace record-keeping system.

Assessment Conditions

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

- physical conditions:
 - a pet grooming workplace or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:

- live cross breed dogs as specified in the performance evidence
- clippers, scissors and other grooming equipment
- grooming products
- PPE suitable for activity
- cleaning and sanitising products and equipment
- devices used for securing or restraining of dogs
- workplace record-keeping/information management system
- specifications:
 - workplace and manufacturer instructions for use and maintenance of the tools, equipment and supplies specified in the performance evidence
- relationships:
 - clients specified in the performance evidence.

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>