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Modification History

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1	AHCv1.0	Initial release

Performance Evidence

The candidate must be assessed on their ability to integrate and apply the performance requirements of this unit in a workplace setting. Performance must be demonstrated consistently over time and in a suitable range of contexts.

The candidate must provide evidence that they can:

- identify hazards and apply safe work practices
- assess and calculate alpaca numbers
- prepare handling areas, gates and access routes for alpaca movement
- monitor and anticipate alpaca behaviour in handling operations
- identify, sort, move and control alpacas for handling and husbandry operations
- use correct equipment, and calming and humane methods to minimise undue stress and risk to alpacas or handlers
- carry out typical basic alpaca husbandry tasks
- recognise and report signs of unusual behaviour, unhealthy animals or abnormal conditions
- control environmental impacts associated with alpaca handling and husbandry
- feed and provide adequate clean water to alpacas
- identify a range of plants poisonous to alpacas
- provide due care in the handling of alpacas
- read and comprehend oral and written information and instructions and maintaining alpaca handling records
- use enterprise alpaca identification systems
- follow relevant work health and safety requirements
- follow relevant biosecurity requirements
- follow relevant animal welfare practices

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must demonstrate knowledge of:

- alpaca behavioural characteristics and movement in handling areas

- classes of alpacas and their basic nutritional and welfare requirements
- components and functions of handling equipment
- enterprise identification systems for alpacas
- environmental codes of practice with regard to alpaca production
- correct handling techniques and restraint methods
- alpaca husbandry procedures and why they are carried out
- regulatory controls relating to the transport of animals on public roads
- relevant work health and safety requirements
- relevant animal welfare and biosecurity legislation and codes of practice

Assessment Conditions

Competency is to be assessed in the work place or workplace and simulated environments that accurately reflect performance in a real workplace setting.

Assessors must satisfy current standards for RTOs.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>