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Release 1	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Release 11.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to clean and maintain livestock pens.

The unit applies to individuals who work under general supervision and exercise limited autonomy with some accountability for their own work. They identify and provide solutions to a limited range of predictable problems.

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

In addition to legal responsibilities, all units of competency dealing with animals in the AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package have the requirements for animals to be handled humanely to minimise stress and discomfort.

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

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Livestock (LSK)

Elements and Performance Criteria

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	1.2 Identify workplace health and safety hazards and report to supervisor 1.3 Select, fit, use and maintain personal protective equipment (PPE) applicable to task 1.4 Identify the potential environmental and biosecurity impacts of cleaning the pens and seek advice from supervisor for managing these impacts 1.5 Raise, dismantle or remove equipment from the pens and clean according to supervisor instructions and safe working practices 1.6 Select and prepare tools, equipment and machinery for cleaning operations
2. Clean pens	2.1 Remove and dispose of manure according to workplace environmental practices and supervisor instructions 2.2 Clean feeding and watering troughs and equipment 2.3 Check run-off from cleaning activity complies with workplace environmental and biosecurity practices 2.4 Clean and maintain livestock pens using appropriate cleaning and hygiene procedures
3. Maintain pens	3.1 Repack worn and uneven pen surface 3.2 Repair damaged feed bunks and leaking water troughs 3.3 Repair pen fences, gates and shade structures
4. Complete cleaning and maintenance operation	4.1 Clean, maintain and store equipment according to supervisor instructions 4.2 Dispose of containers, leftover fluids, waste and debris according to environmental practices and supervisor instructions 4.3 Complete cleaning records and documentation 4.4 Report work outcomes and faults, wear or damage to machinery, tools or equipment to supervisor

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
Writing	Use clear language, accurate industry terminology and logical structure to complete cleaning records and documentation
Oral communication	- Use clear language to report malfunctions, faults, wear or damage of machinery, tools or equipment - Respond to questions and clarify information
Numeracy	- Interpret basic mathematical information in charts, tables or in product or workplace documents - Use basic mathematical processes required for the preparation of cleaning agents - Use basic numerical calculations for workplace cleaning records

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current release	Code and title previous release	Comments	Equivalence status
AHCLSK233 Clean and maintain livestock pens	AHCLSK216 Clean and maintain livestock pens	Minor changes to application Minor changes to elements and performance criteria Foundation skills added Assessment requirements updated	Equivalent

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 cleaned and maintained livestock pens on at least two occasions, and has:

- followed relevant workplace health and safety and environment and biosecurity legislation, regulations and workplace procedures
- made appropriate preparations for cleaning livestock pens
- cleaned and maintained pens
- completed cleaning and maintenance operation
- completed records.

Knowledge Evidence

An individual must be able to demonstrate knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:

- workplace requirements applicable to health and safety in the workplace for cleaning and maintaining livestock pens, including appropriate use of personal protective equipment (PPE)
- environment and biosecurity legislation and regulations and workplace practices relevant to cleaning and maintaining livestock pens
- principles and practices for cleaning and maintaining livestock pens, including:
 - requirements and methods of cleaning livestock pens
 - environmental and biosecurity impacts of pen cleaning operation, and measures to mitigate these impacts
 - cleaning tools, equipment and machinery operation and storage
 - environmental and biosecurity impacts and methods of disposal of effluent, bio-waste and waste generated by the cleaning operation
 - cleaning and maintenance of feeding and watering troughs or similar equipment

- types of documentation and records that need to be completed after the cleaning operations.

Assessment Conditions

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

- physical conditions:
 - a workplace setting or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - work instructions and workplace procedures applicable to cleaning and maintaining livestock pens
 - facilities, materials and equipment applicable to cleaning and maintaining livestock pens
 - PPE applicable to cleaning and maintaining livestock pens
- specifications:
 - workplace requirements applicable to health and safety in the workplace for cleaning and maintaining livestock pens
 - environment and biosecurity legislation and regulations and workplace practices applicable to cleaning and maintaining livestock pens
- relationships:
 - supervisor
- time frames:
 - according to job requirements.

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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