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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:

- prepare for post mortem, ensuring appropriate handling and use of equipment, personal protective equipment and disinfectants
- identify work health and safety and biosecurity hazards and implement risk controls
- handle carcasses safely and appropriately
- perform external examination and post mortem examination of carcass
- dispose of carcass appropriately
- carry out post necropsy procedures of cleaning and disinfection of equipment, post mortem site and personal protective equipment
- prepare biological samples for sending to the laboratory where appropriate
- carry out procedures for personal hygiene
- apply relevant work health safety environmental and biosecurity requirements and practices

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must demonstrate knowledge of:

- sequence of actions in conducting a post mortem examination
- appropriate handling and use of post mortem equipment, personal protective equipment and disinfectants
- requirements for correct preparation, labelling and packaging of biological samples
- anatomy and physical features of the species being examined
- common causes of death for the species being examined
- typical signs of pathology in major organs
- typical symptoms and clinical signs of notifiable diseases in the relevant species

- relevant work health and safety environmental and biosecurity requirements, and carcass disposal regulations

Assessment Conditions

Competency is to be assessed in the workplace and/or a simulated environment that accurately reflects performance in a real workplace setting.

Assessments for the following performance evidence must be conducted on a livestock carcass:

- carry out post mortem examination

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>