



Australian Government

AHCLSK307 Euthanase livestock

Release: 2

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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 2	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture, Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 2.0.
Release 1	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture, Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 1.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to euthanase livestock without distress or suffering prior to cessation of their vital life functions.

All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, work health and safety, animal welfare and biosecurity legislation and codes of practice and sustainability practices.

This unit applies to individuals who work under broad direction and take responsibility for their own work. They complete routine activities, work in a range of known contexts and use discretion and judgement in the selection and use of available resources.

Individuals must hold firearms licenses if they are using firearms to euthanase livestock.

Individuals must comply with national and local regulations for disposal of the carcass.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Livestock (LSK)

Elements and Performance Criteria

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<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Prepare for euthanasia	1.1 Confirm criteria for decision to destroy livestock conforms to workplace procedures and approval of supervisor where required 1.2 Confirm the method selected to destroy livestock is suitable for the

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	species and meets animal welfare requirements, as outlined in the relevant codes of practice 1.3 Prepare equipment and materials required to complete the euthanasia 1.4 Identify hazards, assess risks and implement control measures 1.5 Identify environmental and public safety risks associated with the euthanasia 1.6 Obtain licences and permits required to complete euthanasia where necessary 1.7 Check and prepare equipment and materials for euthanasia 1.8 Select and use personal protective equipment
2. Carry out euthanasia of animal	2.1 Handle and transport equipment appropriately and safely 2.2 Restrain animal in a way that minimises pain and distress 2.3 Euthanase animal in a quick and painless way 2.4 Check animal to ensure it is dead 2.5 Destroy animals that have not been euthanased immediately, in a humane manner
3. Carry out post euthanasia procedures	3.1 Handle and prepare carcass to be used for research or commercial according to enterprise requirements 3.2 Dispose of carcass not to be used for research or commercial purposes in line with legislative and enterprise requirements 3.3 Clean and store equipment and materials 3.4 Report and record animal and euthanasia details as required

Foundation Skills

Foundation Skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
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Links

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