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Assessment Requirements for AHCLSK364 Castrate livestock

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Modification History

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

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 castrated at least ten head of livestock on at least one occasion, and has:

- applied relevant workplace health and safety and environment and biosecurity legislation, regulations and workplace procedures
- confirmed criteria for decision to castrate livestock
- recognised and reported workplace health and safety hazards and used safe work practices
- applied relevant animal welfare practices
- handled animals using good stock handling techniques
- performed a recommended method of castration with attention to hygiene
- administered pre-operative or post-operative treatments
- monitored castrated animals
- carried out animal husbandry tasks in hygienic manner
- recorded the number and health of animals post-castration.

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 castrating livestock, including appropriate use of personal protective equipment (PPE)
- environment and biosecurity legislation and regulations and workplace practices relevant to castrating livestock
- principles and practices for castrating livestock, including:
 - animal welfare practices relevant to castrating livestock
 - recommended method of castration with attention to hygiene
 - livestock castration pre-operative or post-operative treatments

- workplace procedures for monitoring castrated animals, and good stock handling techniques
- animal husbandry tasks and hygiene practices relevant to livestock castration
- workplace recording and reporting requirements relevant to livestock castration.

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 castrating livestock
 - equipment and materials applicable to castrating livestock
 - PPE applicable to castrating livestock
 - livestock requiring castration
- specifications:
 - workplace requirements applicable to health and safety in the workplace for castrating livestock
 - environment and biosecurity legislation and regulations and workplace practices applicable to castrating livestock
 - legislation, regulations, standards, guidelines and procedures for animal welfare applicable to castrating livestock
- relationships:
 - supervisor
- time frames:
 - according to job requirements.

Assessment of this unit must be conducted on live animals.

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=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>