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Assessment Requirements for AHCSHG211 Crutch sheep

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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 crutched and tallied sheep at a rate that is equivalent to 40 sheep over a 2-hour period in a safe manner that complies with animal welfare, work health and safety (WHS) and industry standards.

Knowledge Evidence

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

- types of shearing sheds, boards and catching pens
- shearing machinery required and their relative functions
- industry agreed shearing techniques and positions for crutching sheep, including:
 - full wig crutching
 - other crutch
 - wiggling
 - ringing
 - above the teats
- safe handling techniques for catching, moving, shearing and releasing sheep
- basic anatomy of male and female sheep as it relates to the safe, humane removal of wool
- common sheep diseases, including:
 - zoonotic
 - parasitic
 - other
- humane treatment of animals
- crutching issues, including:
 - the impacts of sheep behaviour on moving, handling and shearing sheep
 - weather conditions
 - condition of the sheep

- tallying sheep crutched
- personal protective equipment (PPE), and when and how it should be used
- federal and/or state shearing awards and agreements associated with shearing sheep
- workplace biosecurity, animal welfare and environment policies applying to the job role
- WHS legislation and codes of practice applying to the job role
- teamwork principles:
 - working towards a common goal
 - communicating effectively and cooperatively
 - respecting others' needs
 - embracing diversity.

Assessment Conditions

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

- physical conditions:
 - skills must be demonstrated in a workplace setting or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - equipment and materials appropriate for crutching sheep
 - animals for shearing
- relationships:
 - supervisor
 - team members.

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>