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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 conducted shed duties with regard to the following on at least two occasions:

- fleeces and non-fleece wool
- skirtings, locks and oddments to the industry code of practice
- contamination and environmental impacts
- supply of sheep to catching pens
- wool flow monitoring.

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:

- maintenance and hygiene requirements of shearing sheds, boards and catching pens
- types of wool contamination and their sources, including:
 - urine stain
 - pigmented and medullated fibres and other animal fibres
 - baling twine
 - fertiliser bags
 - non-wool fibres
- features of fleece parts, including:
 - skirtings
 - locks
 - crutchings
 - wool faults
 - impurities
- parts of fleece removed by skirting, including:

- pieces
- wool faults
- impurities
- contamination, faults and urine stain and their impact on processing
- methods of handling fleece that minimise risk to own health, including:
 - work health and safety (WHS) standards
 - safe lifting and bending techniques
- principles of moving and penning animals humanely, including:
 - ensuring gates are in good working order and robust enough to contain stock
 - sheep behavioural instincts to safely handle sheep and monitor the density of penned sheep
 - keeping pens and yards free of any obstructions to avoid injury and ensure free-flowing stock
- shearing and crutching requirements, including:
 - smooth flow from holding pens to shearing/crutching board to shed exit for animals
 - smooth flow from shearing board to skirting table to bags/bales and ultimately to the storage area
 - shearing shed and board layouts
- environment codes of practice with regard to shearing
- relevant work health and safety (WHS), biosecurity and animal welfare legislation, codes of practice and workplace requirements that apply to wool harvesting and handling sheep
- safety features of personal protective equipment (PPE) and when how it should be used
- requirements of the Code of Practice for the Preparation of Australian Wool Clips as it relates to the preparation of skirtings and oddments
- communication practices conducive to teamwork.

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:
 - shearing shed equipment and materials
 - animals for shearing
- relationships:
 - wool harvesting staff
- Wool Classer.

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>