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AHCLSK210A Muster and move livestock

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Modification History

Not Applicable

Unit Descriptor

Unit descriptor	This unit covers the process of working as part of a team to muster and move livestock and defines the standard required to: implement directions for mustering; monitor and anticipate livestock behaviour; muster and move livestock along prepared routes in a calm and controlled manner; monitor welfare of mustered stock.
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Application of the Unit

Application of the unit	This unit applies to workers in livestock enterprises working independently within enterprise guidelines.
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Licensing/Regulatory Information

Not Applicable

Pre-Requisites

Prerequisite units		

Employability Skills Information

Employability skills	This unit contains employability skills.
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Elements and Performance Criteria Pre-Content

Not Applicable

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ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

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1. Prepare for muster	1.1. Mustering requirements are identified and confirmed. 1.2. Transport requirements are arranged and checked and confirmed for operation. 1.3. Additional information relevant to livestock movements is identified and accessed. 1.4. Potential and existing hazards to health and safety are identified and safety concerns reported to the supervisor.
2. Carry out muster	2.1. Suitable personal protective equipment is selected, used and maintained according to Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) requirements. 2.2. Livestock identified in the muster plan are located and aggregated in preparation for movement. 2.3. Muster processes are conducted according to enterprise requirements.
3. Move livestock	3.1. Livestock movement is conducted with minimal stress to livestock and without damage to person, property or environment. 3.2. Livestock welfare is monitored and maintained during movement with adequate provision of rest, water and feeding points. 3.3. Livestock are confined and pastured at destination, counted and recorded according to enterprise requirements.

Required Skills and Knowledge

REQUIRED SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

This section describes the skills and knowledge required for this unit.

Required skills

- identify hazards and follow safe work procedures
- handle livestock safely and humanely
- prepare equipment and working dogs (when used) for handling livestock
- monitor livestock behaviour and recognise abnormalities
- monitor and minimise impacts to the environment
- communicate effectively with the muster team

REQUIRED SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

- read and interpret muster plans and maps
- calculate livestock numbers and assess and calculate feed and water requirements
- use interpersonal skills to relate to people from a range of social, cultural and ethnic backgrounds and with a range of physical and mental abilities.

Required knowledge

- mustering and movement methods and techniques
- livestock basic health and nutritional requirements
- livestock herding/flocking behaviour
- environmental codes of practice with regard to livestock production
- working dogs uses and techniques (where appropriate)
- legislative requirements for stock movement along public roads
- relevant OHS and animal welfare legislative requirements
- environmental impacts and procedures for mustering and moving livestock.

Evidence Guide

EVIDENCE GUIDE

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the performance criteria, required skills and knowledge, range statement and the Assessment Guidelines for the Training Package.

Overview of assessment

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

The evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit must be relevant to workplace operations and satisfy holistically all of the requirements of the performance criteria and required skills and knowledge and include evidence of the following:

- implement directions for mustering
- monitor and anticipate livestock behaviour
- muster and move livestock along prepared routes in a calm and controlled manner
- monitor welfare of mustered stock.

Context of and specific resources for assessment

Competency requires the application of work practices under work conditions. Selection and use of resources for some worksites may differ due to the regional or enterprise circumstances.

Range Statement

RANGE STATEMENT

The range statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole.

Livestock may include:

- beef cattle
- sheep
- horses
- goats.

Unit Sector(s)

Unit sector

Livestock

Co-requisite units

Co-requisite units		

Competency field

Competency field	
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