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AMPA3140 Prepare market reports - sheep

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Release 1	This version released with AMP Australian Meat Processing Training Package Version 4.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to provide market reports using accurate assessments of sheep, including weight, breed, fat and skin type.

The unit applies to workers in the livestock industry who operate within workplace guidelines; for example, stock and station agents, Auctions Plus assessors, abattoirs assessors and livestock purchasers, MLA Livestock Market Officers, and buyers.

All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, according to state/territory health and safety regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Abattoirs

Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements	Performance Criteria
<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Comply with stockyard workplace health and safety (WHS) requirements	1.1 Select, fit and wear appropriate personal protective equipment 1.2 Use designated walkways and viewing platforms if available 1.3 Move safely around stock at a sale site

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2. Assess stock	2.1 Classify stock according to AUS-MEAT categories, including accepted breed codes 2.2 Apply accepted age, frame size, shear season and joining descriptors 2.3 Assess sheep in live weight 2.4 Calculate dressing percentage 2.5 Calculate carcase weight 2.6 Calculate fat score 2.7 Calculate skin value 2.8 Nominate purchaser
3. Prepare market reports	3.1 Nominate intended audience for the market report 3.2 Structure market report for identified audience 3.3 Ensure all elements of the market are accurately described 3.4 Adopt standard industry grammar and abbreviations

Foundation Skills

This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria.

Skill	Description
Oral communication	• Uses questioning and active listening, asking for clarification when necessary and seeking advice
Reading and writing	• Reads and interprets written information and instructions;
Writing	• Writes fundamental statements and maintains livestock assessment and reporting records • Uses electronic media as appropriate to the task

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
AMPA3140 Prepare market reports - sheep	Not applicable	New unit	No equivalent unit

Links

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Assessment Requirements for AMPA3140 Prepare market reports - sheep

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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 participated in one full day of saleyard trading on all categories of traded sheep, including:

accuracy standards:

- carcase estimates must be within 1.6kg (+/-) of actual carcase weight; 70% of the animals assessed must be within this range
- fat score estimates must be within 1 score (+/-) of the actual fat score; 70% of the animals assessed must be within this range.

ability to:

- identify hazards and follow safe work practices
- recognise livestock abnormalities
- develop constructive relationships with key livestock sales personnel.

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:

- saleyard operations
- personal protective equipment required in the workplace
- standard classifications of livestock breeds and sex
- methods of determining age
- livestock classification or scoring system
- stock abnormalities that may affect stock price and potentially affect carcase value
- AUS-MEAT standards.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - assessment requires access to an operating saleyard, abattoir facility or farm
 - during adverse weather conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - all assessments must be conducted under work conditions and against AUS-MEAT industry standards and regulations as well as MLA guidelines
 - live weight scales
 - slaughter reports to assess competency in calculating carcase weight, fat score, muscle score
- specifications:
 - a minimum of three different forms of assessment must be used
 - formats/templates outlining structure of reports for varying audiences
 - assessments should be completed in the usual timeframe of the sale of the pen
- timeframes:
 - competency must be identified and sustained over a period of time
- relationships:
 - stock and station agents, Auctions Plus assessors, abattoirs assessors and livestock buyers, MLA Livestock Market Officers, and buyers.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

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