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Assessment Requirements for AMPA401 Implement a Meat Hygiene Assessment program

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Modification History

Release	TP Version	Comment
1	AMPv1.0	Initial release

Performance Evidence

Evidence must demonstrate the candidate's consistency of performance over time at production speed.

The candidate must implement a Meat Hygiene Assessment program.

The candidate must:

- monitor product for defects according to the MHA program
- identify and resolve data inconsistencies
- monitor the process for conformity with the plant's HACCP-based QA system in accordance with the MHA program
- observe hygiene and sanitation requirements when monitoring product and process
- graph and interpret trends in product and process monitoring results
- instigate corrective and preventative actions when appropriate
- apply relevant communication and mathematical skills
- comply with workplace health and safety requirements when monitoring product and process
- maintain currency of knowledge and techniques through informal learning, regular professional development or personal research
- provide relevant information to work colleagues to facilitate understanding of, and compliance with, the applicable standards and regulations
- record the monitoring results accurately

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must demonstrate a broad factual, technical and theoretical knowledge of:

- purpose of an MHA program
- classification of defects
- when and how corrective actions should be taken in response to monitoring outcomes
- types and purposes of control charts
- purpose of trend charts

- what a trend is and why it is important when monitoring process and product
- how to undertake process compliance monitoring
- how to implement the approved sample plan for product monitoring
- purpose of the process conformity index
- types of defects to be identified in carcase, offal and carton product
- relevant regulatory requirements

Assessment Conditions

Assessment must occur in an operating abattoir or boning room. This unit must be delivered in the context of Australian meat processing standards and regulations.

Competency must be demonstrated when implementing a real MHA program.

A minimum of three different forms of assessment must be used.

Assessors must satisfy current standards for RTOs.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=5e2e56b7-698f-4822-84bb-25adbb8443a7>