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Modification History

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

Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.

There must be evidence of the individual overseeing humane handling of animals which demonstrates the individual's consistency of performance over time at production speed.

The individual must demonstrate that they have:

- explained the consequences of incorrect animal handling techniques
- explained why correct animal handling helps ensure that meat attains an acceptably low ultimate pH
- worked effectively as an individual and as part of a team
- ensured that bruising and/or hide or pelt damage due to livestock handling is minimised
- ensured stock handlers remain calm and are not injured or put at risk of injury
- ensured stress in animals is minimised through correct handling
- identified and applied relevant animal welfare and workplace health and safety requirements
- monitored the handling of livestock to ensure minimisation of stress
- monitored facilities for handling and restraining livestock
- identified sick and injured stock
- identified features of effective restraint, stun and bleed and/or oversee humane destruction
- monitored effective stunning and bleeding where applicable
- monitored humane euthanising of stock
- planned stock movement to meet production requirements and minimise stress
- used relevant communication skills.

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:

- regulatory and workplace requirements for the humane handling and slaughtering/euthanising of animals
- the impact of stress
- animal welfare standards and regulations
- strategies to minimise stress to livestock
- the stunning and bleeding process and/or humane destruction requirements
- causes of ineffective stunning and bleeding
- regulatory and workplace requirements for monitoring stunning and bleeding.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - skills must be demonstrated in working stockyards or slaughtering premises.
- specifications:
 - workplace documents such as policies, procedures, processes and forms
 - work instructions and standard operating procedures
 - current animal welfare codes and regulations

A minimum of three different forms of assessment is required to demonstrate competency.

As a minimum, these must include:

- quiz of underpinning knowledge
- workplace demonstration
- workplace referee or third-party report of performance over time.

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

Links

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