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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.

The individual must be observed throughout the process of conducting at least one complete animal welfare audit at a meat processing facility.

The individual must have:

- located, read and interpreted relevant animal welfare and cruelty legislation (Acts) and regulations
- assessed the welfare of livestock at receipt and in lairage
- assessed livestock handling against requirements during unloading and handling in the lead up to slaughter
- assessed the handling of sick/injured and uncooperative animals against workplace and regulatory requirements
- made an assessment of effective restraint, stunning and humane slaughter of livestock
- used effective interpersonal skills in a range of contexts, including audit interview situations
- complied with Workplace Health and Safety (WHS) requirements for working around livestock
- read and interpreted relevant legislation, regulations, standards and Codes of Practice
- recorded and communicated audit findings to relevant stakeholders.

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:

- relevant voluntary industry animal welfare standards for processing establishments
- relevant codes of practice or equivalent animal welfare standards (underpinning the Acts)
- relevant animal welfare measures relevant to the audit situation
- humane destruction and emergency slaughter arrangements

- relevant measures of animal welfare
- acceptable livestock handling techniques and measures
- impact of stress during handling on the ultimate pH and quality of meat
- WHS requirements for handling stock
- regulatory and workplace requirements for animal welfare
- regulatory requirements when dealing with sick and injured animals
- requirements for contingency plans for dealing with animal-handling emergencies.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - skills must be demonstrated in a slaughtering establishment under real working conditions
- specifications:
 - workplace documents such as policies, procedures, processes and forms
 - work instructions and standard operating procedures

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

This must include as a minimum:

- written test or quiz
- a complete onsite mock audit of animal welfare.

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>