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AMPLSK201 Apply animal welfare and handling requirements

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Release 1	This version released with AMP Australian Meat Processing Training Package Version 8.0.

Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to handle animals safely and humanely, in line with workplace and regulatory requirements.

This unit applies to individuals who work under general supervision, with animals at animal handling facilities or meat processing premises.

All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, according to state/territory health and safety and animal 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

Livestock (LSK)

Elements and Performance Criteria

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<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Identify workplace and regulatory requirements for handling animals	1.1 Identify workplace and regulatory requirements for handling animals humanely 1.2 Identify and follow relevant sections of the applicable animal welfare standard and relevant legislation
2. Identify safe animal	2.1 Identify workplace health and safety requirements associated with

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handling practices	handling animals 2.2 Identify work instructions and work practices for the welfare and handling of animals 2.3 Recognise and manage risks to animals being handled 2.4 Identify and manage risks to workers that are associated with handling animals, including use of personal protective equipment (PPE) 2.5 Identify workplace and regulatory requirements for dealing with sick and injured animals
3. Identify the effect of animal welfare and handling on meat	3.1 Identify the impact that animal stress and/or injury would have on the quality of meat 3.2 Recognise defects in meat quality resulting from poor handling techniques of live animals
4. Identify livestock identification procedures	4.1 Identify individual animal identification procedures according to workplace and regulatory requirements 4.2 Identify the purpose of individual mob and lot identification 4.3 Recognise animal lots according to workplace requirements 4.4 Identify the consequences of incorrect lot identification
5. Handle animals safely	5.1 Handle animals in a way that complies with workplace requirements and minimises stress 5.2 Handle animals safely according to workplace health and safety requirements 5.3 Move, yard and control flow of animals to meet processing requirements 5.4 Communicate effectively with fellow workers while handling animals 5.5 Handle sick and injured animals according to workplace and regulatory requirements

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
Reading	Interpret key requirements of workplace procedures and animal welfare standards
Oral communication	Clarify instructions and interact effectively with fellow workers

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
AMPLSK201 Apply animal welfare and handling requirements	AMPA2006 Apply animal welfare and handling requirements	Unit code updated Performance Criteria rearranged for clarity Foundation Skills added Assessment Requirements reworded for clarity	Equivalent

Links

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Assessment Requirements for AMPLSK201 Apply animal welfare and handling requirements

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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 applied animal welfare and safe handling requirements for at least one lot of animals.

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 sections of Animal Welfare Standards and Guidelines
- workplace procedures for receipt and/or dispatch of animals
- workplace requirements for maintaining flow and order of animals
- impact of stress and injury on the animal
- impact of stress and injury on product quality, including carcasses, hides and skins
- animal identification systems, including National Livestock Identification System (NLIS)
- lot identification of animal and its importance for traceability
- workplace health and safety hazards of handling animals
- correct use of personal protective equipment (PPE)
- feed and water requirements of animals at site
- standard operating procedures for tasks associated with handling animals
- arrangements for the emergency slaughter or euthanasia of sick and injured animals
- customer and community expectations of animal handling.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:

- skills must be demonstrated in a workplace where livestock are handled for processing, or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - real animals for handling
 - PPE
- specifications:
 - workplace procedures, including advice on safe work practices and animal welfare and safety
- relationships:
 - interactions with work team.

Assessment for this unit must include at least three forms of evidence.

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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