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Assessment Requirements for AMPLSK303

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Modification History

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

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 assessed five pens of sheep and/or lambs on at least two different occasions at a property, an abattoir or saleyard, using AUS-MEAT industry standards and regulations and Meat & Livestock Australia (MLA) guidelines, including:

- worked safely around sheep and lambs
- handled sheep and/or lambs according to animal welfare regulations and requirements
- prepared a livestock assessment report using appropriate industry terms.

Mandatory workplace requirements

All performance evidence specified above must be demonstrated in an operating sheep property, saleyard or abattoir.

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:

- the Australian sheep/lamb industry, including the distribution of sheep throughout Australia, key markets and stakeholders
- purpose of livestock assessment
- purpose of having a standardised livestock assessment language
- sheep/ lamb assessment process
- role of AUS-MEAT and MLA
- MLA guidelines
- AUS-MEAT industry standards and regulations
- AUS-MEAT sales prefixes and breed classifications
- methods of determining age
- sheep/lamb classification or scoring system, including sales prefixes
- sheep/lamb fat and muscle scores

- abnormalities that may affect price and potentially affect carcase value
- workplace health and safety hazards involved in working in and around sheep and lambs and handling facilities
- correct use of personal protective equipment (PPE)
- safe work practices for working in and around sheep and lambs
- definition and importance of animal welfare for sheep and lambs in the supply chain.

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 an operating sheep property, saleyard or abattoir*
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - *sheep and/or lambs to be assessed*
 - *PPE*
- specifications:
 - *AUS-MEAT industry standards and regulations*
 - *MLA guidelines*
 - *formats/templates for reporting*
- timeframes:
 - *within typical operating conditions for the workplace.*

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. Assessors can utilise e-technology to support assessments.

Mandatory workplace requirements

Mandatory workplace requirements are shown in *italic* text. Refer to the Companion Volume Implementation Guide for further information.

Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: -
<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=5e2e56b7-698f-4822-84bb-25adbb8443a7>