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AMPS304 Thaw product - water

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Application

This unit covers the skills and knowledge required to thaw frozen product in preparation for further processing.

This unit is applicable to workers in smallgoods plants where further processing of frozen product is required.

All work should be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, customer requirements and product specifications.

This unit applies to individuals who work under broad direction and take responsibility for their own work including limited responsibility for the work of others. They provide and communicate solutions to a range of predictable problems.

No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements are known to apply to this unit at the time of publication.

This unit must be delivered and assessed in the context of Australian meat processing standards and regulations.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil.

Unit Sector

Elements and Performance Criteria

Element	Performance criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.
1. Thaw product in water	1.1 Select meat to be thawed according to workplace requirements 1.2 Check and prepare tanks according to work instructions 1.3 Thaw product according to work instructions

Element	Performance criteria
	1.4 Monitor tank flows to meet regulatory requirements 1.5 Complete product temperature monitoring and recording according to workplace requirements 1.6 Complete thawing in accordance with workplace health and safety requirements 1.7 Identify and minimise potential sources of contamination and cross-contamination
2. Store and despatch thawed product and forward for processing	2.1 Rotate thawed product according to workplace requirements 2.2 Store thawed product according to workplace requirements 2.3 Keep records according to workplace requirements

Foundation Skills

Foundation Skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

Range of Conditions

Unit Mapping Information

This unit is equivalent to MTMS304B Thaw product – water.

Links

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Assessment Requirements for AMPS304 Thaw product - water

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Performance Evidence

Candidates must consistently carry out the thawing process according to workplace and regulatory requirements.

Candidates must:

- follow the requirements of the work instruction
- work to production speed
- check and prepare tanks for thawing
- identify contaminated product prior to thawing and take corrective action according to workplace requirements
- thaw product according to workplace and regulatory requirements
- maintain control of the flow of product through thawing and dispatch to further processing
- follow workplace health and safety and hygiene requirements
- apply communication and mathematical skills relevant to work instructions and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)

Knowledge Evidence

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

- sources of contamination and cross-contamination
- ways of minimising contamination
- regulations dealing with thawing of product
- workplace requirements for thawing product including:
 - workplace health and safety requirements.
 - Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)
- principles of stock rotation

Assessment Conditions

Competency must be demonstrated over time and under typical operating conditions for the enterprise.

Assessment must occur in the workplace under normal production conditions.

As a minimum, the following three forms of assessment must be used:

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

Assessors must satisfy the current standards for RTOs.

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