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Modification History

LGAEHRR202B Release 2: Layout adjusted.

LGAEHRR202B Release 1: Primary release.

Unit Descriptor

This unit covers the capturing of animals for impounding and caring for impounded animals.

Application of the Unit

This unit supports the attainment of skills and knowledge required for competent workplace performance in councils of all sizes. Knowledge of the legislation and regulations within which councils must operate is essential. The unique nature of councils, as a tier of government directed by elected members and reflecting the needs of local communities, must be appropriately reflected.

Licensing/Regulatory Information

Not applicable.

Pre-Requisites

Not applicable.

Employability Skills Information

This unit contains employability skills.

Elements and Performance Criteria Pre-Content

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a Unit of Competency

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. Where ***bold italicised*** text is used, further information is detailed in the Range Statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the Evidence Guide.

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
1. Assist in the capture and impounding of animals	1.1 Traffic control requirements are actioned according to relevant licensing requirements. 1.2 Impounding techniques appropriate to the animal species and condition are recognised and demonstrated. 1.3 Stock brands are identified in accordance with council policies and procedures.
2. Monitor and care for animals	2.1 Behavioural and general characteristics of animals are recognised and a suitable response is employed before and during handling. 2.2 Health and condition of animals are assessed upon capture and during impoundment with the necessary response taken in accordance with council policies and procedures. 2.3 Safe work practices, procedures and environmental conditions are observed when handling, monitoring and caring for animals.
3. Assist in the operation and maintenance of pound facilities	3.1 Issues of concern with animal housing are identified and reported and animals are rehoused as necessary. 3.2 Cleaning and waste disposal duties are carried out in accordance with pound procedures. 3.3 Registers and records are updated in accordance with pound procedures.

Required Skills and Knowledge

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level, required for this unit

Required Skills

- safe and effective use of firearms
- urban and rural navigation
- issuing routine instructions and/or explanations to the public

Required Knowledge

- animal behaviour
- predators
- dominance
- fear
- aggression
- commonly used impounding techniques
- animal handling and animal disabling techniques
- animal dietary and impounding needs
- stock brands
- tags
- microchips
- basic medicinal application
- animal health treatment
- local area geography and terrain
- relevant statutes
- traffic control licensing requirements and direction

Evidence Guide

Overview of assessment requirements

A person who demonstrates competency in this unit will be able to perform the outcomes described in the Elements to the required performance level detailed in the Performance Criteria. The knowledge and skill requirements described in the Range Statement must also be demonstrated. For example, knowledge of the legislative framework and safe work practices that underpin the performance of the unit are also required to be demonstrated.

Critical aspects of evidence to be considered

Impounding techniques used are verified as appropriate to animal species and the condition of the animal.
Assessment of animal health and condition is in accordance with council policies and procedures.
Disposal of animals, where necessary, is verified and in line with council policies and procedures.
Traffic control is in accordance with relevant licensing requirements and generally under workplace supervision.
Use of firearms is in accordance with relevant licensing requirements and generally under workplace supervision.

Context of assessment

On the job or in a simulated work environment.

Method of assessment

The following assessment methods are suggested:

- observation of the learner performing a range of workplace tasks over sufficient time to demonstrate handling of a range of contingencies
- written and/or oral questioning to assess knowledge and understanding
- completion of workplace documentation
- third-party reports from experienced practitioners
- completion of self-paced learning materials including personal reflection and feedback from trainer, coach or supervisor

Evidence required for demonstration of consistent performance

Evidence will need to be collected across a range of variables over a period of time.

Resource implications

Access to a workplace or simulated case study that encompasses:

- impounding processes, techniques and equipment
- firearms and tranquillisers

Range Statement

The Range Statement relates to the Unit of Competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. ***Bold italicised*** wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

<i>Traffic control</i> may include:	• torches • portable intermittent flashing lights • vehicle revolving lights • road marking cones • reflective raincoats • vests
<i>Impounding techniques</i> may include:	• traps • poles and ropes • tranquilliser guns • loading and unloading from vehicles • microchip readers
<i>Behavioural and general characteristics</i> include:	• breed • species • age • gender • reproductive cycle • condition of animal • reported behaviour prior to intervention
<i>Animals</i> may include:	• Domestic pets • farm and station stock • feral animals • native animals or reptiles
<i>Suitable response</i> may include:	• prior to capture: • containing to an area • at or after capture: • destroying or immobilising animals to preserve human life • obtaining assistance • means of capture, including horseback, off-road vehicle / motorcycle, stock yard facilities and lifting platform • means of transportation and need for transport, including assistance • cease handling • no action • containing damage to property to preserve animal or human safety
<i>Health</i> may include:	• diet

Condition may include:

- exercise
- impoundment needs
- parvovirus
- cat flu
- tick paralysis
- mange
- kennel cough
- worms
- fever
- tetanus
- bots
- distemper
- anthrax
- foot rot
- strangles
- broken limbs

Necessary response may include:

- veterinary contact
- medicinal application
- dipping or chemical application
- euthanasia
- close observation
- refuge care
- disposal of deceased animals

Unit Sector(s)

General