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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with SFI Seafood Industry Training Package Version 2.0.

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:

- conducted all crocodile care activities with crocodiles over 1.2 metres in a controlled environment (farm, wildlife park or research facility) on at least five occasions.

In doing the above, there must also be evidence that the individual has:

- complied with crocodile risk and safety standards
- treated crocodiles humanely
- complied with crocodile biosecurity guidelines
- followed legislation/regulation and codes of practice associated with crocodiles
- completed accurate workplace records.

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:

- crocodile food preparation methods, storing requirements and preventing cross-contamination of food
- how to deliver food to crocodiles that are over 1.2 metres in a safe manner
- safe and humane crocodile handling techniques and procedures
- the principles of crocodile welfare and ethics as set out in relevant codes of practice and standard operating procedures (SOPs)
- assessment of body condition and health of crocodiles over 1.2 metres
- reasons for poor crocodile survival rates, including:
 - inappropriate husbandry
 - incubation conditions
 - disease

- injury
- pen maintenance
- genetics
- social stress
- crocodile survival rates compared to the historical records of similar facilities
- crocodile skin quality requirements and husbandry methods that prevent crocodile skin damage:
 - appropriate nutrition
 - pen maintenance
 - crocodile health monitoring
- diseases of crocodiles in controlled environments
- crocodile breeding processes in a controlled environment
- risk factors of working with crocodiles
- workplace health and safety practices related to crocodile operations
- culturally sensitive communication protocol
- state and territory legislation, regulations and codes of practice associated with crocodile activity
- biosecurity guidelines for crocodile facilities.

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 environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - access to crocodiles over 1.2 metres in a controlled environment
 - personal protective equipment (PPE)
 - equipment for feeding crocodiles
 - cleaning equipment for cleaning crocodile pens
- specifications:
 - crocodile safety documentation, policies and procedures, SOPs and codes of practice
- relationships:
 - relevant personnel.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: -
<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=e31d8c6b-1608-4d77-9f71-9ee749456273>

