Modification history

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with AMP Australian Meat Processing Training Package Version 4.0

AMPA3139	Prepare market reports - cattle	
Application	This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to provide market reports using accurate assessments of cattle including weight, breed, fat and muscle score, and dressing percentage. Candidates will identify and assess livestock and minimise undue stress and risk to livestock, handlers and assessors. The unit applies to workers in the livestock industry who operate within enterprise guidelines, for example: stock and station agents, Auctions Plus assessors, abattoirs assessors, MLA Livestock Market Officers, and buyers. All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, according to state/territory health and safety regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace. No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.	
Prerequisite Unit	Nil	
Unit Sector	Abattoirs sector	

Elements	Performance Criteria		
Elements describe the	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate		
essential outcomes.	achievement of the element.		
Comply with saleyard	1.1 Wear appropriate personal protective equipment		
WHS requirements	1.2 Use appropriate walkways and viewing platforms		
	1.3 Move safely around animals		
2. Classify stock	2.1 Classify stock using Meat and Livestock Australia (MLA) categories which		
	adhere to AUS-MEAT standards		
	2.2 Apply stock categories applicable to MLA cattle store market reports		
	2.3 Apply accepted breed codes for reporting on store stock		
	2.4 Apply accepted sales prefixes		
3. Make accurate	3.1 Assess cattle in live weight		
assessments within	3.2 Calculate dressing percentage		
accepted variations	3.3 Calculate carcase weight		
	3.4 Calculate muscle score		
	3.5 Calculate fat score		
	3.6 Apply accepted sales prefixes		
	3.7 Identify cattle breeds		
	3.8 Identify stock categories		
4. Prepare market reports	4.1 Establish intended audience for the market report		
	4.2 Structure market report appropriately for identified audience		
	4.3 Ensure all elements of the market are accurately described		
	4.4 Adopt standard industry grammar and abbreviations		

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 Oral communication Use questioning, active listening, asking for clarification when necessary and seeking advice Reading and writing Read and interpret oral and written information and instructions; write fundamental statements and maintain livestock assessment and reporting records; use electronic media as appropriate to the task Numeracy Use numeracy skills to estimate, calculate and record routine stock

The Range of Conditions is an optional field. Please delete these instructions and if the unit does not have a range of conditions, please delete the Range of conditions table too.

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Range of Conditions

This section specifies different work environments and conditions that may affect performance. Essential operating conditions that may be present (depending on the work situation, needs of the candidate, accessibility of the item, and local industry and regional contexts) are included.

Unit Mapping Information			
Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
AMPA3139 Prepare market reports - cattle			No equivalent unit

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TITLE	Assessment requirements for AMPA3139 Prepare cattle market
	reports

Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.

Assessment must relate to one full day of saleyard trading on all categories of traded cattle.

AUS-meat standards

- Cattle liveweight estimates must be within 7% of actual cattle liveweight. 70% of the animals assessed must be within this range
- Estimate must be within 3% (+/-) of actual dressing percentage. 70% of the animals assessed must be within this range
- Estimate must be within 12kg (+/-) of actual carcase weight. 70% of the animals assessed must be within this range
- Estimate must be within 1 grade (+/-) of the actual muscle score. 70% of the animals assessed must be within this range
- Estimate must be within 1 score (+/-) if the actual fat score. 70% of the animals assessed must be within this range

Evidence of the following is required.

Ability to:

- · identify hazards and follow safe work practices
- recognise livestock abnormalities
- assess and calculate livestock numbers
- · conduct assessments in adverse weather conditions.

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:

- · saleyard operations
- · livestock breeds, sex and age
- livestock classification or scoring system
- AUS-meat standards

Assessment Conditions

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

- physical conditions
 - assessment requires access to an operating saleyard
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - all assessments must be conducted under work conditions and against AUS-meat industry standards and regulations as well as MLA's guidelines
 - live weight scales
 - slaughter reports to assess competency in calcuating carcase weight, fat score, mucsle score
- specifications:
 - · a minimum of three different forms of assessment must be used
 - formats/templates outlining structure of reports for varying audiences
 - assessments should be completed in the usual timeframe of the sale of the pen
- timeframes
 - competency must be identified and sustained over a period of time
- relationships
 - saleyards operations staff; livestock agents; buyers.

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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