Modification history

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 3.0.

ACMAIMXX1	Complete induction for incidents involving large animals	
Application	This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to contribute to safety at incidents involving large animals at workplaces or event sites. It covers large animals, typically horses, cattle and sheep, and other domesticated animals that require at least two people to lift or move. The unit provides an introduction to large animal behaviours, safety, situational awareness, and an overview of incident management processes. The unit applies to individuals who work or volunteer in environments where they interact with large animals and require a basic understanding of safety for self, others and animals in potential incident or emergency situations. No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.	
Prerequisite Unit	Nil	
Unit Sector	Animal Incident Management (AIM)	

Elements	Performance Criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.
Recognise behaviours of large animal species at own workplace/event site	1.1 Identify natural instincts, sensory perceptions and social behaviour of the animal species associated with the workplace or event site 1.2 Identify different ways large animals can react in response to perceptions of threat at an incident scene 1.3 Recognise body language and other signs that indicate the large animal is agitated or under stress in its surroundings 1.4 Identify behaviour risks in an animal that is chemically restrained
Identify workplace risks relating to large animals	2.1 Investigate the types of incidents that can occur with large animals 2.2 Identify the types of incidents that are most likely to occur at own workplace or event site 2.3 Identify injuries which can occur to workers and volunteers when involved in animal incident management 2.4 Identify individual responsibilities and workplace obligations relating to work, health and safety, and animal welfare regulations
3. Explore recognised approaches for responding to incidents involving large animals	3.1 Identify basic principles to follow in responding to an incident involving large animals 3.2 Outline key features of command and communication systems used in incident management, including use of zones and communication protocols 3.3 Identify the roles and responsibilities of key personnel and agencies involved in animal incident scene management, including the incident controller and veterinarian 3.4 Outline the general steps or procedures in an incident response plan involving large animals 3.5 Explain the benefits of having an incident response plan

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4. Identify own contribution to safety at incidents involving large animals	4.1 Read and interpret the key features and procedures in the animal incident response plan for own workplace or event site 4.2 Identify likely role for self within the command and control system 4.3 Investigate training options available for workers or volunteers 4.4 Identify personal protective equipment for safety, biosecurity and hygiene required for incidents 4.5 Explore the range of equipment and techniques used in incidents involving animals 4.6 Follow procedures and instructions to ensure incident scene safety

Foundation Skills		
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	
Interact with others	Cooperate and collaborate with others to achieve joint outcomes related to safety and animal welfare at incident scenes	
Get the work done	 Follow plans and procedures and respond to contingencies related to safety and animal welfare at incident scenes 	

Unit Mapping Information			
Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACMAIMXX1 Complete induction for incidents involving large animals	Not applicable	New unit	No equivalent unit

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Assessment requirements for ACMAIMXX1 Complete
induction for incidents involving large animals

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:

- contributed to a briefing about animal incident safety relevant to the workplace or event site, including:
 - · discussed behavioural features and hazards relating to at least one species of large animal
 - identified at least three safe work practices to employ at an animal incident scene
 - reviewed one animal incident response plan identifying the key features of the command and control system.

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:

- types of potential incidents involving large animals relevant to the workplace or event site, including:
 - free animal (escaped / loose) needs catching, restraining, containing or relocating
 - animal injured during event incident
 - animal trapped, confined or entangled
 - vehicle collision including with floats and trailers
 - · building/shelter collapse
 - · animal caught in water or mud
- · basic principles relating to large animal incidents, including:
 - · safety of people comes first
 - animal welfare centred (rescue or recovery)
- own responsibilities under current health and safety and animal welfare regulations, codes and organisational policies and procedures
- basic procedures to follow in response to a large animal incident, including:
 - seek help, follow incident plan, treat animal (veterinarian assistance), remove to place of safety
- basic behaviours of prey and herd animal species
- large animal sensory perceptions and how senses can influence behaviour and reactions
- · common signs and body language of distressed large animals relevant to the workplace or event
- hazards related large animal behaviour, including butting, biting, kicking, crushing, impaling/goring
- potential hazards and risks at a large animal incident scene, including:
 - weight and size of animal
 - unpredictable behaviour
 - · other animals in the vicinity
 - environmental hazards uneven or wet terrain, weather, electrical hazards, noise
 - actions of people, including body language and irrational or emotive behaviour
 - · zoonotic diseases including, bites, scratches and contact with body fluids
- basic features of control and command at incident scenes, including:
 - roles of team members, including incident controller and veterinarian
 - · communication protocols
 - incident zones hot, warm, cold
 - · safe zones related to animals
 - briefing and debriefing of the incident
- safe working practices, including:
 - types and purpose of personal protective equipment
 - hygiene and biosecurity procedures
 - basic manual handling techniques
- handling deceased animals in a safe and dignified manner.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - skills must be demonstrated in a workplace setting or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- specifications:
 - large animal incident plan for a workplace or event site.

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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