Modification history

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

ACMAIMXX7	Transport injured large animals
Application	This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to transport and provide basic first aid to large animals that are injured or have special needs. The unit applies to individuals who are required to transport and provide basic care to large animal casualties as a result of an incident at a workplace or event site. They have experience in animal handling and basic animal first aid. 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.*
1. Prepare to transport injured large animals	1.1 Respond to call for transport promptly and clarify information about the animal/s, nature of injury, authority or permissions, and transport requirements 1.2 Select equipment and aids to assist in loading and unloading large animal/s 1.3 Pack gear and first aid items required to assist with injuries and welfare of animal/s 1.4 Select and correctly fit personal protective equipment (PPE) and follow hygiene and biosecurity procedures 1.5 Locate vehicle in close proximity to injured animal/s according to scene requirements and to avoid further stimulation of the animal/s 1.6 Set up privacy screens to restrict public viewing at the scene
2. Prepare animal casualties and load to transport	2.1 Assess hazards and risks relating to transporting animal casualties at the scene and take action to control 2.2 Work with incident controller to plan movement and loading of animal casualties to transport vehicle 2.3 Obtain necessary documentation and equipment to accompany the patient 2.4 Follow veterinarian instructions and advice regarding restraint, care and welfare of the injured animals 2.5 Use safe handling techniques and equipment to load animal/s to transport in collaboration with other personnel 2.6 Make adjustments to protect animal/s from further injury and to reduce stress when loaded 2.7 Handle and load deceased animals with dignity
3. Monitor and care for animal casualties during transport	3.1 Ensure driving techniques are safe and appropriate for the load, road conditions and severity of injury 3.2 Apply first aid treatments under veterinary instructions 3.3 Provide care to reduce impact of shock, distress and pain in animal/s in line with appropriate first aid procedures 3.4 Monitor behaviour and vital signs, and record observations and treatments in line with appropriate first aid procedures

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4. Unload animal casualties and complete post-transport arrangements	4.1 Organise unloading of injured animal/s in designated area at destination in collaboration with other personnel 4.2 Report on the animal/s injury and condition status prior to and after journey 4.3 Complete required documentation according to workplace and regulatory requirements 4.4 Clean, maintain and secure vehicle, equipment and facilities according to workplace procedures

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
Oral communication	• Provide clear and concise information in a timely manner using accurate terminology • Listen attentively and ask questions to confirm or clarify information using appropriate terminology
Interact with others	• Work as an effective member of a team as well as independently
Navigate the world of work	• Recognise the purpose, main tasks, responsibilities and boundaries of own role
Get the work done	• Plan, organise and prioritise tasks to transport large animals • Anticipate animal behavioural responses and use problem solving approaches to minimise hazards and risks

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACMAIMXX7 Transport injured large animals	Not applicable	New unit	No equivalent unit

Links	Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: https://vetnet.education.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103

TITLE	Assessment requirements for ACMLARXX7 Transport injured 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:
- transported at least one injured large animal using a vehicle and equipment appropriate for the workplace or event site, including:
  - demonstrated loading and unloading techniques for one recumbent large animal
  - monitored and recorded observations of one injured large animal
  - demonstrated first aid animal casualty care according to veterinary instructions
- reported on one animal's injuries and condition status pre and post transport.

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:

- basic principles of command and control systems and communication protocols at incident scenes
- basic animal welfare principles and assessment frameworks
- requirements regarding movement of injured animals, including:
  - state/territory regulations and codes of practice, including the Australian Animal Welfare Standards and Guidelines for the Land Transport of Livestock
  - situations requiring veterinarian advice or treatments
  - alternative arrangements for animals unfit to be moved
  - animal owner permission, where applicable
- features of different vehicles used to transport animals (floats, trucks, ambulances), including:
  - size and capacity
  - design of stalls or boxes - partitions allowing multiple positons and separation of animals
  - loading/unloading - ramps and adjustable suspension
  - forward and rear exits
  - winching systems
- equipment and materials, including:
  - mats or bedding for recumbent or injured animals
  - blankets and protective items, including blindfolds
  - compresses, bandages, gauze, splints
  - tack and gear
  - feed and water
  - privacy screens
- animal with special needs:
  - sedated or anaesthetised animals
  - injuries requiring splint or drips and other attached medical items
  - lameness
- risks in transporting animal casualties, including
  - unpredictable and herd animal behaviour
  - people - spectators/public, owner
  - zoonotic diseases
  - overloading/ unbalanced vehicle
  - wet, slippery flooring
  - poor road / site conditions
- first aid requirements:
  - protect wounds from contamination
  - apply splints
  - manage bleeding, swelling
  - manage temperature and hypothermia

Knowledge Evidence

- handling techniques, including:
  - safe zones
  - manual manipulation techniques and equipment
  - rescue glides
- handling deceased animals with dignity, including:
  - use of screens for protecting injured or deceased animals from public view
  - covering bodies and not leaving unattended
  - removal and crematorium requirements.

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
- resources, equipment and materials:
  - large animals or mannequins
  - incident scene scenarios involving large animals to address the performance evidence requirements.

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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