

Modification history

Release	Comments
Release 2	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 4.0.
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 1.0.

ACMCAN307	Rehabilitate native wildlife
Application	<p>This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to provide immediate and recovery care, and prepare rescued native wildlife for rehabilitation to natural environments.</p> <p>This unit applies to individuals who work in animal carer/keeper or aquarist roles, undertaking individual and team activities in small to large scale animal facilities. They perform work under broad direction and are required to take responsibility for their own work including, carrying out assigned tasks, organising processes, and working to schedules.</p> <p>All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures according to state/territory health and safety, wildlife protection and animal welfare regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace.</p> <p>No licensing, legislative or certification requirements are known to apply to this unit at the time of publication.</p>
Prerequisite Unit	Nil
Unit Sector	Captive Animals (CAN)

Elements	Performance Criteria
<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Provide immediate care for rescued animals	1.1 Select and use personal protective equipment appropriate for task 1.2 Handle native animals following workplace health and safety and animal welfare procedures 1.3 Follow facility quarantine and disease control procedures 1.4 Identify animals and initiate emergency care according to facility policies and procedures 1.5 Examine animals and refer seriously injured animals to supervisor or take to veterinary clinic for immediate treatment 1.6 Collect and record information on each animal according to legislative and facility policies and procedures
2. Rehabilitate rescued animals	2.1 Apply suitable species-relevant rearing procedures 2.2 Provide captive diets similar to the natural diet of the species 2.3 Identify common problems experienced by rescued animals, and treat as directed by veterinarian 2.4 Implement species-specific recovery procedures 2.5 Process deceased animals for research purposes according to legislative and facility policies and procedures 2.6 Maintain documentation required in relation to rescued wildlife
3. Prepare animals for post-rehabilitation life	3.1 Evaluate options for returning mature animals to native habitat 3.2 Evaluate options for orphaned animals 3.3 Provide hunting or foraging skills development opportunities according to facility policies and procedures 3.4 Provide socialising opportunities following facility policies and procedures 3.5 Implement tactics to reduce human interaction

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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
Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interpret legislation and codes of practice relevant to animal capture and release Interpret animal identification tags
Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Record details of animal health and history

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACMCAN3XX Rehabilitate native wildlife	ACMCAN307 Rehabilitate native wildlife		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 ACMCAN307 Rehabilitate native wildlife
Performance Evidence	
<p>An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.</p> <p>There must be evidence that the individual has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> rehabilitated a minimum of three native animals, (including one orphan), and for each animal: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> identified physiology, recovery and husbandry requirements for the species used species appropriate handling techniques provided appropriate care prepared wildlife for post-rehabilitation life maintained accurate records. 	
Knowledge Evidence	
<p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> principles, practices and objectives of native wildlife rehabilitation principles of animal welfare and ethics, and key requirements of standards and guidelines covering native wildlife relevant facility policies and procedures, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> safe work and animal handling practices hygiene standards, infection control and zoonotic diseases key requirements of national, state or territory wildlife protection legislation and codes of practice relating to rehabilitating wildlife overview of wildlife ecology, including population dynamics, habitat selection, competition, and predator-prey interactions types of wildlife typically rescued, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> amphibians birds mammals reptiles anatomical structures and physiological features of common native wildlife common problems experienced by rescued animals, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> age-related health conditions dehydration, heat stress disease, discharges, parasites injuries malnutrition, poor body condition stress / trauma initial emergency care activities, to address breathing issues, external bleeding, immobilising fractures, and treating dehydration and shock basic animal husbandry requirements and rehabilitation procedures for common native species, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> care for young (orphaned) animals accessing veterinary care and administering medication as directed husbandry standards and infection/pathogen control managing injuries integrating with other same-species animals minimising stress, providing warmth and shelter pathogens and their potential impact on the environment. 	
Assessment Conditions	
Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:	

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Assessment Conditions

- physical conditions:
 - a captive animal workplace or an environment that accurately reflects a real workplace setting
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - a range of native wildlife animals
 - equipment and resources appropriate to work undertaken in an animal care facility
- specifications:
 - access to facility policies and procedures relevant to rehabilitating wildlife
- relationships (internal and/or external):
 - interactions with team members.

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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