

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.

ACMCAS402	Manage and maintain aviaries and bird rooms
Application	<p>This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to determine the housing and maintenance needs of specific species and breeds of birds.</p> <p>This unit applies to individuals working in animal industry sectors that include aviaries and bird rooms as part of their operations or facility. They analyse information and exercise judgement to complete a range of skilled activities and demonstrate in depth knowledge in a specific technical area. They develop and communicate solutions for a range of commonly encountered problems.</p> <p>All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures according to state/territory health and safety 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	Companion Animal Sector (CAS)

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. Determine housing needs	1.1 Identify housing requirements of particular species and breeds, and provide appropriate security and housing 1.2 Determine husbandry practices of species, and provide appropriate resources
2. Maintain enclosures	2.1 Develop maintenance plans for aviaries and bird rooms according to workplace health and safety and environmental requirements 2.2 Conduct maintenance activities according to maintenance plans and workplace procedures 2.3 Select, correctly fit and use appropriate tools, equipment and materials, including personal protective equipment (PPE) 2.4 Implement environmentally safe and effective measures, including hygiene standards and infection control procedures 2.5 Record maintenance activities and update plans according to workplace procedures
3. Identify and control pests and report notifiable diseases	3.1 Identify pests and implement appropriate control procedures 3.2 Maintain pest control and disease records 3.3 Identify notifiable diseases and document and report in accordance with legislative and workplace requirements

Foundation Skills	
<i>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.</i>	
Skill	Description
Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interpret biological information about aviaries, bird rooms and pest control from valid scientific documents
Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use industry terminology when completing records
Numeracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Calculate volume, weight, area, ratio, time and application rates Interpret numerical information provided with bird care products and equipment

Unit Mapping Information			
Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACMCAS402 Manage and maintain aviaries and bird rooms	ACMCAS402Manage and maintain aviaries and bird rooms	Minor edits to performance criteria and assessment requirements for clarity and consistency	Equivalent unit

Links
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TITLE	Assessment requirements for ACMCAS402 Manage and maintain aviaries and bird rooms
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 managed and maintained at least two aviaries or bird rooms over a period of at least 10 days, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provided appropriate husbandry for birds • maintained enclosures • identified pests and applied pest control techniques • maintained accurate records and workplace documentation. 	
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"> • common names for avian species and/or breeds commonly held in facilities • physical, behavioural and social requirements of a range of avian species and breeds kept in captivity • avian biology related to the care and wellbeing of commonly held avian species and breeds • housing requirements of bird species and/or breeds • species and/or breed nutritional requirements and feeding techniques • species compatibility • avian pests and diseases and treatment strategies • notifiable diseases and reporting process • zoonotic diseases associated with bird care, and methods of prevention and control. • safe and humane avian handling techniques and procedures • principles of animal welfare and ethics relevant to birds, and aviaries or bird rooms • safe work practices, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • appropriate use of personal protective equipment (PPE) • infection /disease control and hygiene standards • handling chemical and cleaning agents • recordkeeping systems • general maintenance and cleaning requirements of avian housing, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • waste management strategies • cleaning techniques, equipment and materials used aviaries and bird rooms • workplace guidelines and approaches to environmental sustainability. 	
Assessment Conditions	
<p>Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • physical conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • skills must be demonstrated in a workplace setting or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions • resources, equipment and materials: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • live birds • aviaries or bird rooms • equipment and products required for husbandry, cleaning, maintenance and pest control activities • record keeping system or resources. <p>Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.</p>	
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