Modification history

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

ACMGRM2X1	Bathe, dry and brush domestic dogs
Application	This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to bathe/wash, dry and brush domestic dogs with different coat types.
	The unit applies to individuals who work in the companion animal industry in a range of facilities and businesses including grooming salons, pet care stores, veterinary clinics, boarding/day care and shelter facilities. They may work under supervision following defined instructions for routine tasks.
	No licensing, legislative or certification requirements are known to apply to this unit at the time of publication.
	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.
Prerequisite Unit	Nil
Unit Sector	Grooming (GRM)

Performance Criteria
Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate
achievement of the element.
1.1 Receive work instructions according to workplace practices and
procedures
1.2 Confirm and clarify washing, drying and brushing instructions with
supervisor
1.3 Identify dog breed, temperament, handling and safety requirements
1.4 Discuss specific instructions relating to health or condition of dog with
supervisor
2.1 Select shampoo and products for individual dog
2.2 Select appropriate equipment and tools including personal protective equipment (PPE) and animal restraints
2.3 Set up equipment and products for convenient access
2.4 Follow workplace health and safety procedures for preparing work
areas and completing tasks
3.1 Identify dog by breed and/or workplace identification system
3.2 Move or lift dog to washing area using appropriate equipment and
techniques
3.3 Check water temperature and pressure before thoroughly wetting dog
3.4 Apply shampoo and/or products using appropriate technique and tools for breed or coat type
3.5 Rinse dog thoroughly to ensure clean coat
3.6 Apply additional products according to work instructions
4.1 Remove excess water using towels and/or chamois
4.2 Move or lift dog to drying area and secure safely
4.3 Dry dog using appropriate technique and equipment, including single
motor high velocity (HV) dryer
4.4 Use appropriate brush and/or comb to brush dog according to work
instructions and breed specific requirements
4.5 Monitor dog behaviour throughout washing, drying and brushing
process and seek help if required

Elements	Performance Criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.
5. Complete bathing process	 5.1 Return dog and secure in designated area according to workplace procedures 5.2 Report or record relevant observations of the dog's condition and/or behaviour to supervisor 5.3 Clean and disinfect work areas and complete housekeeping tasks according to workplace procedures 5.4 Clean and safely store tools, equipment, products and laundry items

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	Interpret key information in workplace documents relating to bathing, drying and brushing dogs	
Oral communication	Ask clarifying questions and give clear information to supervisor	
Numeracy	Measure quantities including volume, weight, area, ratio and time	
	Interpret numerical information provided with animal bathing, shampooing and grooming products	

Unit Mapping Information			
Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACMGRM2X1 Bathe, dry and brush domestic dogs	NA	New unit	No equivalent unit

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TITLE	Assessment requirements for ACMGRM2X1 Bathe, dry and
	brush domestic dogs

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

- bathed, dried and brushed at least three different breeds of dogs
- used equipment, tools and products safely following workplace procedures
- selected, fitted and correctly use personal protective equipment
- handled each dog in a safe and humane manner.

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:

- common dog breeds and coat types
- basic dog anatomy relevant to bathing, drying and brushing
- signs of normal and unwanted dog behaviour
- · basic signs of abnormalities and health concerns in animals, including parasitic infections
- types and application of shampoos and grooming products
- correct use and storage of bathing, drying and brushing equipment, including:
 - · single motor high velocity (HV) dryer
 - brushes and combs used on different coat types
- key risks for people and dogs associated with bathing, drying and brushing
- safe work practices related to bathing, drying and brushing dogs, including:
 - personal protective equipment, including gloves, masks, closed/non-slip shoes, goggles and/or earmuffs
 - safe and humane dog handling and restraint techniques and procedures
 - personal hygiene and infection control
 - use and storage of disinfectants and chemicals
- · basic concepts of environmental sustainability including resource use and waste disposal
- · cleaning techniques and equipment used in a companion animal workplace
- · basic concepts of animal welfare and ethics.

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:
 - · live dogs for bathing, drying and brushing specified in the performance evidence
 - bathing, drying, and brushing equipment and products including single motor high velocity (HV) dryer
 - · personal protective equipment related bathing, drying and brushing dogs
 - disinfectant and cleaning products.

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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