

Title	Demonstrate knowledge of vertebrate pest management methods		
Level	2	Credits	8

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: describe vertebrate pest management methods; describe the application of vertebrate pest management methods; and describe risks and prevention strategies for vertebrate pest management methods.
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Classification	Compliance and Law Enforcement > Compliance and Regulatory Control
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to: Biosecurity Act 1993, Local Government Act 1974, Local Government Act 2002, Resource Management Act 1991, Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, Animal Welfare Act 1999, Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996.
- 2 Definition
Organisational requirements refer to instructions to staff on policy and procedures which are documented in memo or manual format and are available in the workplace. These include the application of legislation and the implementation of the Regional Pest Management Strategy.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe vertebrate pest management methods.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Vertebrate pest control principles and parameters are described.
 Range legal requirements, ethical considerations, environmental considerations.
- 1.2 Vertebrate pest control methods are categorised in terms of the type of method.
 Range at least two examples each of – trapping, poisoning, baits, shooting.

Outcome 2

Describe the application of vertebrate pest management methods.

Range trapping, poisoning, baits, shooting.

Performance criteria

2.1 Advantages and disadvantages for each method of application are described.

2.2 Vertebrate pest management application methods are described, matching the application method with target pest and environments suited to the use of each method.

Range at least two examples of each method.

Outcome 3

Describe risks and prevention strategies for vertebrate pest management methods.

Range trapping, poisoning, baits, shooting.

Performance criteria

3.1 Risks associated with each animal control method are described.

Range risks to – the applicator, bystanders, the environment.

3.2 Prevention strategies used to limit the occurrence of the risks associated with each animal control method are described in terms of safety procedures and application of organisational requirements.

This unit standard is expiring. Assessment against the standard must take place by the last date for assessment set out below.

Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

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