

Demonstrate knowledge of the factors affecting possum fur quality, and the possum product market

Level 2

Credits 2

Purpose People credited with this unit standard are able to demonstrate knowledge of the factors affecting possum fur quality, and the possum product market.

Subfield Agriculture

Domain General Agriculture

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Standard setting body (SSB) Primary Industry Training Organisation

Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP) reference 0052

This AMAP can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Special notes

Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to the – Resource Management Act 1991, Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, Animal Welfare Act 1999, Biosecurity Act 1993, and their subsequent amendments.

Elements and performance criteria

Element 1

Demonstrate knowledge of the factors affecting possum fur quality, and the possum product market.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Possum fur quality is described in terms of the factors which determine optimum grades.
- Range factors – seasonal, behavioural.
- 1.2 Possum fur quality is described in terms of the factors which contribute to downgrading of fur when harvested or processed for a specified product market.
- Range harvest or process by – hand plucking, machine plucking, skinning;
evidence is required for two factors under the control of the hunter or harvester/processor, and two factors not under the control of the hunter or harvester/processor.
- 1.3 Possum New Zealand is described in terms of its representation, and objectives as a possum industry representative body.
- 1.4 Possums are described in terms of the products which they can be processed into, and the national and international demand for those products.
- Range pelts, leather, fibre, skin and fur accessories, meat.

Please note

Providers must be accredited by NZQA, or an inter-institutional body with delegated authority for quality assurance, before they can report credits from assessment against unit standards or deliver courses of study leading to that assessment.

Industry Training Organisations must be accredited by NZQA before they can register credits from assessment against unit standards.

Accredited providers and Industry Training Organisations assessing against unit standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those standards.

Accreditation requirements and an outline of the moderation system that applies to this standard are outlined in the Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP). The AMAP also includes useful information about special requirements for organisations wishing to develop education and training programmes, such as minimum qualifications for tutors and assessors, and special resource requirements.

Comments on this unit standard

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