

Title	Prepare stock for slaughter in a primary products food processing operation		
Level	3	Credits	5

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: remove excess contamination from stock; and move and contain stock, in a primary products food processing operation.
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Classification	Primary Products Food Processing > Primary Products Food Processing - Operational Skills
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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:
 - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
 - Animal Welfare Act 1999;
 - Animal Welfare (Commercial Slaughter) Code of Welfare 2018; and any subsequent amendments.
- 2 The resource document may include but is not limited to – *Industry Standard 4 – Procurement of Animals for Food*, available from the Ministry for Primary Industries at <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/food-business/meat-game-processing-requirements/>.
- 3 Consistent organisational production output targets apply to the performance of this activity. These may include but are not limited to – hourly output, shift output, daily output.
- 4 Definition
Organisational requirements – instructions to staff on policies and procedures that are documented in memo, electronic, or manual format and available in the workplace.
- 5 Range
Stock may include but is not limited to – bobby calves, cattle, sheep and lambs, deer, pig, goat, horses, fish, other animals used in the primary food processing sector.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Remove excess contamination from stock in a primary products food processing operation.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Wash and/or shower stock in accordance with organisational and legislative requirements.
- 1.2 Handle stock that are unacceptable for slaughter due to excess visual contamination in accordance with organisational requirements.
- Range handle may include but is not limited to – remove, isolate; evidence of one is required.
- 1.3 Assess the cleanliness of stock to confirm it meets organisational and any stock specific pre-slaughter statutory requirements.
- 1.4 Use and maintain contamination removal equipment and facilities in accordance with organisational requirements.
- 1.5 Clean stock holding facilities to prevent re-contamination of washed animals in accordance with organisational requirements.
- Range stock holding facilities may include but are not limited to – races, pens; evidence of one stock holding facility is required.

Outcome 2

Move and contain stock in a primary products food processing operation.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Check that stock holding facility sizes meet the space requirements of each line of stock in accordance with organisational requirements.
- 2.2 Maintain the identification of each line of stock through all movements and penning in accordance with organisational requirements.
- 2.3 Move stock without excessive force, speed, or stress in accordance with organisational requirements.
- 2.4 Communicate and co-ordinate stock movements to co-workers in accordance with organisational requirements.
- 2.5 Identify, handle and report dead, injured, and unhealthy animals in accordance with organisational and statutory requirements.
- 2.6 Report discrepancies in stock numbers in any line in accordance with organisational requirements.
- 2.7 Move and contain stock prepared for slaughter to meet company required killing sequences.

- 2.8 Move stock for slaughter in accordance with statutory ante-mortem inspection and documentation requirements for the current day.
- 2.9 Move stock for slaughter in accordance with operational requirements of the slaughter chain.
- 2.10 Count and record the balance of un-killed stock from any line at the end of each working day in accordance with organisational requirements.
- 2.11 Separate animals likely to cause harm to other stock in accordance with organisational requirements.

Replacement information	This unit standard and unit standards 23353 and 25841 were replaced by skill standard 40397.
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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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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.