

Title	Provide advice on over the counter (OTC) animal health products to agrichemical users		
Level	4	Credits	8

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is for people involved with the handling, storage, supply, transfer, and/or manufacture of agrichemicals.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to: provide practical and technical advice and information on OTC animal health products to agrichemical users; and identify the need for, and sources of, further technical information on animal health products.</p>
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Classification	Agriculture > Agrichemical Supply
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Available grade	Achieved
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Prerequisites	<p>Unit 21548, <i>Demonstrate knowledge of the use of animal health products for agrichemical supply</i>; and Unit 21549, <i>Demonstrate knowledge of animal health products labels and product information sources</i>; or demonstrate equivalent knowledge and skills.</p>
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation and regulations relevant to this unit standard include but are not limited to:
 - Agricultural Compounds and Veterinary Medicines (ACVM) Act 1997;
 - Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996;
 - Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992;
 - ACVM Standard for Prescription Animal Remedy Veterinary Medicines 2005, available from <http://www.nzfsa.govt.nz>.
- 2 The New Zealand Standard applicable to this unit standard is NZS 8409:2004 *The management of agrichemicals*, available from <http://www.standards.co.nz>.
- 3 Legislative requirements state that no advice is to be given for Prescription Animal Remedies (PARs).

4 Definitions

Agrichemical – any substance, whether inorganic or organic, man-made or naturally occurring, modified or in its original state, that is used in any agriculture, horticulture or related activity, to eradicate, modify or control flora and fauna. It includes agricultural compounds, and for the purposes of agrichemical supply, includes fertilisers, vertebrate pest control products, and oral nutrition products;

Organisational procedures – the verbal and written procedures for staff on providing advice to agrichemical users.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Provide practical advice on OTC animal health products to agrichemical users.

Range includes but is not limited to – administration and application of product, dosage, product safety, label information, transport, storage and temperature, emergency procedures, efficacy, resistance management, withholding periods, environmental considerations, equipment calibration.

Performance criteria

1.1 The practical advice is provided to agrichemical users in a format and in a prompt manner, which meets the requirements of the recipient, and is in accordance with NZS 8409:2004, legislation, regulations, and organisational procedures.

1.2 The practical advice provides recommendations for minimising product waste.

1.3 The practical advice provided is in accordance with specified label information.

1.4 Critical areas of label items are addressed when providing practical advice.

Range dosage, operator safety, withholding periods, disposal, application methods, classification, expiry dates.

Outcome 2

Provide technical advice and information OTC animal health products to agrichemical users.

Range includes but is not limited to – usage, formulation, label information, ramifications of off-label use, mixing.

Performance criteria

2.1 The response to requests for technical advice and information is prompt and relevant, maximises efficacy, minimises product waste and production downtime, and is in accordance with NZS 8409:2004, legislation, regulations, and organisational procedures.

- 2.2 The technical advice and information provided is in accordance with specified label information.
- 2.3 Information sheets regarding technical advice and information are provided in accordance with legislative procedures.
- Range may include but is not limited to – safety data sheet, product information sheet, product safety card.
- 2.4 The technical advice and information provided is consistent with resistance management strategies.

Outcome 3

Identify the need for, and sources of, further technical information on animal health products.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 The need for further technical information, beyond that which is available in the immediate workplace is identified.
- 3.2 Sources of further technical information are identified in accordance with workplace requirements.
- Range evidence is required for at least two sources from – within the workplace, outside the workplace.
- 3.3 Technical information from sources outside the immediate workplace is provided to the client, in accordance with client, legislative, and regulatory requirements.

Replacement information	This unit standard replaced unit standard 10901.
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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.

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