

## Prepare a greyhound for bathing and grooming, and bath and groom a greyhound

**Level** 2

**Credits** 3

**Purpose** People credited with this unit standard are able, in accordance with supervisor's instructions, to: prepare a greyhound for bathing and grooming; groom the greyhound; and attend to post-grooming activities.

**Subfield** Greyhound Racing Industry

**Domain** Greyhound Care and Training

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**Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP) reference** 0018

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

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### Special notes

- 1 Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992.
- 2 Definition  
*In-house procedures* – the documented policies and procedures for greyhound care and handling, which must meet the requirements of the *Code of Recommendations and Minimum Standards for the Welfare of Dogs*, Ministry of Agriculture (Wellington, 1998), ISBN 0-478-07459, ISSN 1171-090X, available at <http://www.maf.govt.nz>.
- 3 Assessment  
Evidence must be provided in the context of a commercial greyhound business operation under normal working conditions.

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## Elements and performance criteria

### Element 1

Prepare a greyhound and equipment for bathing in accordance with supervisor's instructions.

Range hydra-bath, standard bath.

### Performance criteria

- 1.1 Bath and bath position are safe for the greyhound and handler while greyhound is being bathed.
- 1.2 Greyhound is placed in the bath without undue stress or injury to the greyhound or handler or damage to equipment.
- 1.3 Greyhound is secured in the bath in a manner which is comfortable for the greyhound, but allows a level of restraint suitable for bathing activity.
- 1.4 Restraints used are humane, and allow the task to be carried out without undue discomfort to the greyhound.  
  
Range muzzle, bath restraints.
- 1.5 Bathing solutions selected are suitable for the greyhound's health status, body part, and level of cleanliness required.
- 1.6 Greyhound is washed with minimum stress and without injury to handler or greyhound, and preparations are used in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

### Element 2

Prepare the greyhound for grooming in accordance with supervisor's instructions.

### Performance criteria

- 2.1 Greyhound is dried in preparation for grooming in a manner which is safe and comfortable for the greyhound and handler.  
  
Range at least two of – cage drier, stand drier, natural drying by walking, towel drying.
- 2.2 Parts of the body requiring special attention are dried and cleaned in preparation for grooming using methods and equipment appropriate for the part being attended to, and without causing undue discomfort to greyhound or handler.  
  
Range toenails, ears, eyes, feet.

### Element 3

Groom the greyhound in accordance with supervisor's instructions.

#### Performance criteria

- 3.1 Grooming aids used for brushing and combing greyhound allow coat to run smoothly from base to ends.
- 3.2 Greyhound is handled firmly and with patience, and is provided with encouragement and reinforcement to alleviate potential stress and discomfort, while handler maintains control at all times in accordance with in-house procedures.
- 3.3 Grooming environment is adjusted to ensure comfort for greyhound and handler.
- Range temperature, ventilation, lighting, proximity to and tolerance of other animals.

### Element 4

Attend to post-grooming activities in accordance with supervisor's instructions.

#### Performance criteria

- 4.1 Greyhound is released into an area as directed by the supervisor in a manner which is safe for the greyhound, the handler, and any other greyhounds.
- 4.2 Records of bathing process and solutions used are maintained in accordance with in-house procedures.
- 4.3 Any health problems which are abnormal for the individual greyhound are reported to the supervisor in accordance with in-house procedures.
- 4.4 Bathing and grooming tools are cleaned and replaced in allocated place, and surrounds are cleaned and tidied in accordance with in-house procedures.

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#### Please note

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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.

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**Comments on this unit standard**

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