

Title	Bleed cattle for tuberculosis (TB) testing, complete documentation, and submit samples to the testing laboratory		
Level	4	Credits	10

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is for people working in a tuberculosis (TB) testing context.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to: bleed cattle for TB testing, complete documentation for blood samples, and submit samples to the testing laboratory.</p>
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Classification	Animal Care and Handling > Tuberculosis (TB) Testing of Domestic Cattle and Deer
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Performance criteria must be consistent with all relevant legislation, guidelines, and subsequent amendments; this includes but is not limited to:
 - Biosecurity Act 1993
 - Privacy Act 1993
 - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015
 - Workplace procedures
 - Biosecurity (National Bovine Tuberculosis Pest Management Plan) Order 1998
 - Cattle TB Tester Instructions, Issue 7
 - Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996
 - Maximum Valuation Limits for TB Reactors
 - National Operational Plan 2016-2055 National Bovine Tuberculosis Pest Management Plan.
- 2 Definition

Workplace procedures refer to the policies and procedures on safety and operation set down by the employer or organisation.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Bleed cattle for TB testing.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Restrain cattle in a manner which provides safety for cattle and handler, and allows access to the bleeding site on each animal.

- 1.2 Select a test site on each animal.
Range one of – coccygeal vein, jugular vein.
- 1.3 Check the bleeding site on each animal for cleanliness, and remove any contaminants.
- 1.4 Obtain blood from the bleeding site on each animal with minimum stress to the animal.
- 1.5 Mix extracted blood with the contents of the tube by gentle inversion to avoid clotting and haemolysis.
- 1.6 Describe procedures in the event of a positive test.
Range includes – orange reactor tag insertion; record keeping, implications for and legal requirements of stock owners or persons in charge of animals, animals going to slaughter.
- 1.7 Communicate with stock owners or persons in charge of animals when taking blood in a courteous and effective manner.

Outcome 2

Complete documentation for blood samples and submit samples to the testing laboratory.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Clearly identify blood samples.
- 2.2 Store blood samples.
- 2.3 Complete documentation.
- 2.4 Submit samples to the laboratory.

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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