

<b>Title</b>	<b>Assist with livestock parturition</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>10</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	<p>This unit standard is for people working in the primary industry.</p> <p>People accredited with this unit standard are able to assist with: managing pregnant livestock; livestock parturition; moving and handling livestock during parturition; and keeping parturition related records.</p>
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<b>Classification</b>	Agriculture > Livestock Husbandry
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<b>Available grade</b>	Achieved
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### Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation and regulations relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to:
  - Animal Welfare Act 1999;
  - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
  - Welfare Code relevant to the type of livestock.
- 2 All evidence presented in this unit standard must be in accordance with:
  - On-farm procedures;
  - Welfare Code relevant to the type of livestock.
- 3 Welfare codes for all types of livestock are available from <http://bios ecurity.govt.nz>.
- 4 Examples of reproductive health risks include metabolic diseases, physical damage to livestock and infection.
- 5 A farming context relates to sheep, beef, dairy and goat livestock during parturition. For Outcome 2 learners must be able to demonstrate their ability to assist an animal to give birth.
- 6 Definition  
*On-farm procedures* refer to the verbal or written instructions to staff on procedures for animal care, welfare, and management.

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### Outcomes and performance criteria

#### Outcome 1

Assist with managing pregnant livestock.

**Performance criteria**

- 1.1 Assist with monitoring livestock condition.
- 1.2 Assist with feeding to achieve optimum birth rates.
- 1.3 Assist with livestock management practices during adverse weather events.
- 1.4 Assist with livestock handling.

**Outcome 2**

Assist with parturition.

**Performance criteria**

- 2.1 Identify the sequence, physical changes and behavioural signs of parturition.
- 2.2 Identify dams experiencing parturition difficulties and take appropriate action.
- 2.3 Monitor health of dam and offspring following parturition and take appropriate action when health problems occur.

**Outcome 3**

Assist with moving and handling livestock during parturition.

**Performance criteria**

- 3.1 Assist with handling and moving stock using techniques appropriate for the class and stage of parturition of the livestock being handled or moved.

**Outcome 4**

Assist with keeping parturition related records.

**Performance criteria**

- 4.1 Record appropriate parturition information.

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<b>Replacement information</b>	This unit standard replaced unit standards 24546, 24621, 24622, 24645, 24819, 24820.
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Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
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Review	2	27 February 2020	N/A

**Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference**

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

**Comments on this unit standard**

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