

Title	Prepare and use traps to control rural pest animals		
Level	3	Credits	6

Purpose	The purpose of this unit standard is to provide the rural pest animal operations industry with people who are able to use traps to control pest animal populations in rural environments.
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Classification	Pest Management > Pest Control
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Available grade	Achieved
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Explanatory notes

1 Definitions

Relevant requirements refer to:

- Workplace procedures
- *Best practice guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)* - guidelines and protocols as set out by industry groups such as, Environmental Protection Authority (EPA), Department of Conservation (DOC), and pest product manufacturers
- Legislation and regulations as set out by government and local bodies. Legislation includes but is not limited to: the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015, and the Animal Welfare Act 1999

Rural pest animal refers to: possums, rabbits, predators and avian pests

Predator - is a generic pest term for mustelid, rodents, and feral cats

- #### 2 Preparation of and setting and maintaining of traps is required for one trap type for one species of animal.

Outcomes and evidence requirements

Outcome 1

Prepare for the trapping of pest animals.

Evidence requirements

- 1.1 Confirm location and boundaries for the placement of traps that are consistent with pest behaviour and organisational procedures, and in accordance with animal welfare regulations.
- 1.2 Confirm timing and duration, arrange access, and obtain any necessary permits, in accordance with all relevant requirements.

- 1.3 Identify, manage, and report personal and environmental risks associated with the trapping job in accordance with all relevant requirements.
- 1.4 Prepare vehicles, equipment, and materials suitable for the trapping operation and pest animals in accordance with workplace procedures.

Outcome 2

Set traps, and place baits and lures for pest animal control.

Evidence requirements

- 2.1 Select a suitable trap for the pest animal and the physical environment.
- 2.2 Select a site for placement of the trap to maximise chance of trapping pest animal, and minimise chance of trapping non-target species.
- 2.3 Deploy traps in accordance with all relevant requirements.
- 2.4 Place baits and lures in accordance with all relevant requirements.

Outcome 3

Check traps and clear them of pest animals and non-target species, and process, and store or dispose of carcasses.

Evidence requirements

- 3.1 Check traps in accordance with all relevant requirements.
- 3.2 Release trapped pest animals from the trap and destroy humanely in accordance with all relevant requirements.
- 3.3 Process trapped non-target species in accordance with all relevant requirements.
- 3.4 Handle trapped pest animals and non-target species without injury to self or other people.
- 3.5 Process and store, or dispose of pest animal carcasses in accordance with all relevant requirements.

Outcome 4

Clean, store, and maintain equipment and materials, and records.

Evidence requirements

- 4.1 Clean and store equipment and materials used in the trapping operation in accordance with all relevant requirements.
- 4.2 Record pest animals and non-target animals which have been trapped, killed or released, in accordance with all relevant requirements.
- 4.3 Maintain set traps in accordance with relevant requirements.

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Comments on this unit standard

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