

<b>Title</b>	<b>Complete ante-mortem examination of pigs used for human consumption</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>10</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	<p>This unit standard is for people who are employed in a meat processing operation to carry out ante-mortem examinations of pigs used for human consumption.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to: demonstrate understanding of requirements for pig handling in a meat processing operation; examine pigs in enclosures in a meat processing operation; detect and diagnose diseases and defects in pigs, make judgements and apply dispositions to examined animals in a meat processing operation.</p>
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<b>Classification</b>	Meat Processing > Animal Product Examination
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<b>Available grade</b>	Achieved
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### Guidance Information

- 1 Demonstration of competency for all outcomes must be consistent with all relevant legislation and subsequent amendments; this includes but is not limited to:
  - Workplace procedures
  - Industry standards
  - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015
  - Animal Products Act 1999
  - Animal Welfare Act 1999
  - Manufacturer's guidelines for equipment use.
- 2 Industry standards refer to:
  - Ministry for Primary Industries' Operational Codes available at - <http://www.foodsafety.govt.nz/elibrary/industry/red-meat-code-practice/index.htm>
  - Ministry for Primary Industries' standards available at <http://www.foodsafety.govt.nz/industry/sectors/meat-ostrich-emu-game/meatman/>
  - Overseas Market Access Requirements (OMARs).
- 3 Definitions
 

*Dispositions* – action of ensuring examined animal material that has abnormalities is managed in accordance with legislative requirements.

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

- 4 In the context of this unit standard, *understanding* means that there should be evidence of a learner's thorough comprehension of a topic. A learner with a good understanding of a topic should have applied, or should be able to apply what they have learnt to a workplace situation and will be able to alter their practices to the different contexts they are applying their learning to. Assessors should be confident that the learner's understanding is embedded in their practices and behaviour.
- 5 Diseases requiring report are those listed in the Ministry for Primary Industries' Notifiable Organisms list, available at <http://www.mpi.govt.nz/protection-and-response/finding-and-reporting-pests-and-diseases/registers-and-lists/>.

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## Outcomes and performance criteria

### Outcome 1

Demonstrate understanding of requirements for handling pigs in a meat processing operation.

#### Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe at least seven features of enclosures that inhibit stock handling and movement.
- 1.2 Describe the techniques for moving animals in enclosures.
- 1.3 Describe the characteristics of young animal behaviour, moving animal behaviour and sick animal behaviour.
- 1.4 Demonstrate at least four techniques that enhance operator safety in enclosures.

### Outcome 2

Examine pigs in enclosures in a meat processing operation.

#### Performance criteria

- 2.1 Examine animals closely consistent with ante-mortem examination procedures.
- 2.2 Prepare and use ante-mortem examination equipment.
- 2.3 Apply ear tags where required.

**Outcome 3**

Detect and diagnose diseases and defects in pigs, make judgements and apply dispositions to examined animals in a meat processing operation.

**Performance criteria**

- 3.1 Detect and diagnose diseases and defects seen during ante-mortem examination.
- 3.2 Make judgements on ante-mortem examination findings, and apply dispositions to inspected animals.

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Registration	1	20 July 2017	31 December 2017
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<b>Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference</b>	0033
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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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