

Title	Complete post-mortem examination of hunted animals used for human consumption		
Level	4	Credits	16

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is for people who are employed in a meat processing operation to carry out post-mortem examination of hunted animals used for human consumption.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to describe preparation to perform post-mortem examination of hunted animals for human consumption; perform post-mortem examination including pre-processing checks of hunted animals for human consumption; and identify the diseases and defects found at pre-processing and post-mortem examination of hunted animals and apply the disposition.</p>
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Classification	Meat Processing > Animal Product Examination
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation and references
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.
- 2 Industry standards refer to:
 - Ministry for Primary Industries' Operational Codes available at [Codes of Practice documents | NZ Government \(mpi.govt.nz\)](https://www.mpi.govt.nz/codes-of-practice/)
 - Ministry for Primary Industries' standards available at <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/standards/>
 - Overseas Market Access Requirements (OMARs).

3 Definitions

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

Game estate animal – means any of the following:

- a) any deer species (including, but not limited to, red deer, fallow deer, wapiti deer (elk), sika deer, white tail deer and sambar deer);
- b) tahr;
- c) chamois;
- d) goats;
- e) pigs;
- f) wallabies;
- g) buffalo;
- h) sheep;
- i) cattle.

Hunted animals – means any of the following:

- a) wild mammals;
- b) game estate animals;
- c) farmed mammals that have become feral.

Workplace procedures – the verbal and written policies and procedures on safety and operation set down by the employer or organisation.

- 4 The term *describe* means the learner can demonstrate this knowledge using a variety of means (written, diagrams, showing the assessor, verbal) provided there is documented evidence. Diseases requiring report in this unit standard are those listed in the Ministry for Primary Industries' Notifiable Organisms list, available at <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/biosecurity/how-to-find-report-and-prevent-pests-and-diseases/registers-and-lists/>.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe preparation to perform post-mortem examination of hunted animals for human consumption.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Equipment used and resources available, and its purpose, for post-mortem examination of hunted animals for human consumption are described.
- 1.2 Presentation requirements for hunted animals for human consumption are described.
- 1.3 The required inspection procedures on hunted animals for human consumption are described.

Range includes but is not limited to – view, incise and palpate.

1.4 Different disposition criteria are described.

Range includes but not limited to – human consumption, animal consumption, sample for further analysis, remove/condemn.

Outcome 2

Perform post-mortem examination including pre-processing checks of hunted animals for human consumption.

Performance criteria

2.1 Animal product pre-processing checks are performed according to industry standards.

2.2 Animal product post-mortem examination procedures are performed according to industry standards.

Range includes but is not limited to – safe handling and maintenance of a knife, applicable hygiene practices, use of personal protective equipment, view/incise/palpate animal products required for post-mortem examination.

Outcome 3

Identify the diseases and defects found at pre-processing and post-mortem examination of hunted animals and apply the disposition.

Performance criteria

3.1 Diseases and defects in hunted animals which effect the intended fitness for purpose of the animal products are identified.

Range includes but is not limited to – the disposition criteria and regulatory recording requirements for hunted animals for human consumption.

3.2 Dispositions to inspected animal products are applied.

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Registration	1	20 July 2017	31 December 2017
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Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	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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