

Title	Control pests by shooting in the urban pest management industry		
Level	3	Credits	5

Purpose	<p>This is a specialist unit standard for people training for the urban pest management industry.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to: complete preparations prior to the control of pests by shooting; control pest birds and vertebrate pests in the urban pest management industry by shooting; and complete job-related tasks following treatment for the control of pests by shooting.</p>
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Classification	Pest Management > Urban Pest Management
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Available grade	Achieved
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Prerequisites	Unit 3260, <i>Demonstrate knowledge required by a service technician in the urban pest management industry</i> ; or demonstrate equivalent knowledge and skills.
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Guidance Information

- 1 Competence demonstrated during assessment against this unit standard must comply with the requirements of:
 - Arms Act 1983;
 - Consumer Guarantees Act 1993;
 - Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996;
 - Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992;
 - Resource Management Act 1991;
 - Arms Regulations 1992;
 - Traffic Regulations 1976;
 - Firearm Handbook, New Zealand Mountain Safety Council;
 - New Zealand Arms Code, New Zealand Police.
- 2 *Industry best practice* refers to enterprise and/or establishment requirements and practices which are in accordance with applicable legislation and regulations. *Organisational requirements* refers to instructions to staff on policy procedures and methods relating to urban pest management (including health and safety) and the application of any written procedures which are documented in memo or manual format and are available in the workplace.
- 3 Pest bird control specifically excludes protected birds. For a description of a protected species contact Department of Conservation. For Spurwing Plovers,

Welcome Swallows and Canadian Geese and Ducks (out of season) a permit from the Department of Conservation is required.

- 4 If a firearm is to be used, the Police will need to be contacted for the relevant licence and, if required, permits.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Complete preparations prior to the control of pests by shooting.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Site report determines location and extent of infestation and is completed in accordance with organisational requirements and industry best practice.
- 1.2 Requirements for job are verified from site report.
- Range includes – regulations and legislation, industry codes of practice, customers' and industry procedures, ensuring that treatment areas are secure and non-entry warning signs are erected before treatment.
- 1.3 Client is provided with written details of all aspects of proposed treatment in accordance with industry practice and organisational requirements.
- 1.4 Client's written acceptance of all facets of proposed treatment is obtained prior to treatment in accordance with organisational requirements and industry best practice.
- 1.5 Notification procedures are complied with prior to operations in accordance with industry best practice and organisational requirements.
- Range Police, owner.
- 1.6 Equipment, Personal Protection Equipment and materials required for the job are checked to ensure they are in safe working condition, a sighter and operational in accordance with industry best practice.
- Range firearms (s 59 Arms Act 1983), ammunition, sound moderators, ear muffs, spotlights.
- 1.7 Safety mechanisms are fully engaged when not discharging.
- 1.8 Firearms are unloaded when not in use.

- 1.9 Documentation is completed in accordance with industry best practice and complies with regulations.
- Range documentation includes – site report, service agreement, initial contact inquiry;
regulatory authorities' regulations include – local authorities, Police.
- 1.10 Vehicle is prepared in readiness for job in accordance with industry best practice and organisational requirements.
- Range vehicle readiness includes – clean and tidy, current warrant of fitness, current registration, vehicle record book up-to-date.
- 1.11 Permit to carry loaded firearms in a vehicle is obtained if shooting from a vehicle in accordance with regulations.
- Range reg 34 Traffic Regulations 1976.
- 1.12 Knowledge of firearms used and ballistics is demonstrated.
- Range distances, ricochet.
- 1.13 Skill in firearms use is demonstrated.
- Range safe handling, accuracy.

Outcome 2

Control pest birds and vertebrate pests in the urban pest management industry by shooting.

Range vertebrate pests – rabbits, possums, hares, feral cats.
Evidence of two is required, must be one vertebrate pest and one pest bird.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Notification of work is provided in accordance with regulations relating to treatment.
- Range includes – Police, owner, Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA), local authorities.
- 2.2 Firearms and ammunition used are those which are effective for target pest and least hazardous to operator, public and non-target species.
- 2.3 Shooting operations comply with regulations.
- 2.4 Procedures followed during shooting operations comply with safety regulations for operator, client and public.

- 2.5 Wounded pest birds and/or vertebrate pests are disposed of humanely in accordance with SPCA recommendations.
- 2.6 Site is left free of felled birds and/or carcasses in accordance with organisational requirements and contractual agreement.
- 2.7 Client is advised of post-treatment requirements and preventative measures in accordance with industry practice.
 - Range house-keeping practices, spillages, garbage disposal areas, loading procedures, staff feeding pests, door curtains tied back, doors left open.
Evidence of any four required.

Outcome 3

Complete job-related tasks following treatment for the control of pests by shooting.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Carcasses are disposed of in accordance with local authority health regulations.
- 3.2 Documentation relating to job is processed in accordance with organisational requirements.
 - Range any required job or site reporting.
- 3.3 Firearms and equipment are cleaned and maintained in accordance with manufacturer’s recommendations.
- 3.4 Firearms and ammunition are secured to comply with regulations.

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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