

Handle and transport injured large animals

Level 3

Credits 2

Purpose People credited with this unit standard are able to: apply restraints to the injured animal; and assess the situation, and transport the animal to the surgery, or summon veterinary assistance.

Subfield Animal Care and Handling

Domain Animal Handling

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Standard setting body (SSB) Primary Industry Training Organisation

Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP) reference 0228

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

Special notes

- 1 Range large animals may include – horses, cattle, sheep, goats, pigs, deer.
- 2 For credit, evidence must be in accordance with the statutory and industry requirements contained in the following documents.

Relevant and current National Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (NAWAC) Codes of Welfare and Codes of Recommendations and Minimum Standards, available at <http://www.maf.govt.nz>, under animal welfare. These include *Code of Recommendations and Minimum Standards for the Welfare of Animals Transported within New Zealand, Code of Animal Welfare No. 15* (ISBN 0-478-07372-0); and transport sections of *Code of Recommendations and Minimum Standards for the Welfare of Dairy Cattle, Code of Animal Welfare No. 4* (ISBN 0-477-08561-8), *Code of Recommendations and Minimum Standards for the Welfare of Horses, Code of Animal Welfare No. 7* (ISBN 0-478-07310-0), *Code of Recommendations and Minimum Standards for the Welfare of Sheep, Code of Animal Welfare No. 3* (ISBN 0-477-08550-4), *Code of Recommendations and Minimum Standards for the Welfare of Bobby Calves, Code of Animal Welfare No. 8* (ISBN 0-478-07328-3). Animal Welfare Act 1999, Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, and any subsequent amendments.

3 Underpinning Knowledge

The following areas of knowledge underpin performance of the elements in this unit standard:

Element 1

Methods of restraining injured animals

Behaviour caused by injury or fear

Element 2

Methods of moving animals.

Elements and performance criteria

Element 1

Apply restraints to the injured animal.

Performance criteria

1.1 Demeanour of injured animal is assessed in relation to its requirement for restraint.

Range aggressive, frightened.

1.2 Restraints are comfortably applied to the animal without compromising the injury, to avoid attack or injury by injured animal.

Range halter, twitch, hobbles, blindfold, leg ropes, head bale, crush.

Element 2

Assess the situation, and transport the animal to the surgery, or summon veterinary assistance.

Performance criteria

2.1 Situation is assessed for ability of animal to move voluntarily without causing further injury to animal, or injury to self or assistants.

2.2 Animal able to walk on four legs is prepared for transport to prevent further exacerbation of injury while in transit.

Range protect wounds, support injury, bandage limbs or body for protection.

2.3 Animal able to walk on four legs is coaxed into the vehicle and transported, and assistance given to enter vehicle with minimal discomfort and without exacerbating injury in accordance with transport sections of relevant NAWAC Code or Codes of Recommendations and Minimum Standards.

2.4 Animal not able to walk on four legs is placed in environment which avoids further injury or stress until veterinary assistance is available, or animal is humanely destroyed by licensed person.

Range sheltered, comfortable, quiet, regulate body temperature, away from food source.

Please note

Providers must be accredited by NZQA, or an inter-institutional body with delegated authority for quality assurance, before they can report credits from assessment against unit standards or deliver courses of study leading to that assessment.

Industry Training Organisations must be accredited by NZQA before they can register credits from assessment against unit standards.

Accredited providers and Industry Training Organisations assessing against unit standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those standards.

Accreditation requirements and an outline of the moderation system that applies to this standard are outlined in the Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP). The AMAP also includes useful information about special requirements for organisations wishing to develop education and training programmes, such as minimum qualifications for tutors and assessors, and special resource requirements.

Comments on this unit standard

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