

LANNCU42 - SQA Unit Code F8J2 04

Load and unload animals for transport



Overview

This standard covers loading and unloading animals for transportation. It also covers establishing them in the transport or new environment.

The elements are:

1. Load animals for, and establish them in, transport
2. Unload animals and establish them in their new environment

Element 1 covers the loading of animals and their establishment in transport. You will be able to identify animals to be transported, prepare them, load them and establish them safely and securely within transportation.

Element 2 involves unloading animals and establishing them in a new environment. You will be able to prepare the new environment to receive the animals, unload the animals safely and establish them in their new environment. You will also need to monitor their establishment and take action where there are concerns over animals' health and well-being.

Performance criteria

You must be able to:

Load animals for, and establish them in, transport

- P1 identify the animals to be transported and prepare them for travel in an appropriate manner
- P2 **prepare the transportation** for the receipt of the animals concerned
- P3 load the animals using an appropriate method and in a manner which minimises their stress and risk of injury
- P4 establish the animals within the transportation environment and make them safe and secure for the journey
- P5 keep accurate, legible and complete transportation records
- P6 contain the animals in a manner which optimises their welfare and is consistent with relevant legislation and codes of practice
- P7 use working methods and systems that promote health and safety and are consistent with relevant legislation and codes of practice

You must be able to:

Unload animals and establish them in their new environment

- P8 **prepare the new environment** to allow for the safe receipt of the animals
- P9 unload the animals using appropriate methods and in a manner which minimises their stress and risk of injury
- P10 safely establish the animals in their new environment
- P11 monitor and maintain the health and well-being of the animals throughout
- P12 take appropriate action without delay where there are any concerns over the animals' health and well-being
- P13 fill out the necessary documentation accurately, legibly and completely
- P14 use working methods and systems that promote health and safety and are consistent with relevant legislation and codes of practice

Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

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- K1 how to identify the animals for transport
- K2 how the animals concerned need to be prepared for travel
- K3 the appropriate feed levels for animals
- K4 the protective measures for animals
- K5 how transportation needs to be prepared for the animals in relation to their safety and security and the likely risks
- K6 the factors which cause animal stress and how to minimise them
- K7 the appropriate methods of loading the animals which minimises their stress
- K8 how to establish and secure animals in transportation environment
- K9 the records which are necessary and required
- K10 the legal requirements in relation to density and number of animals in transport
- K11 your responsibilities under animal welfare, the transport of animals and health and safety legislation
- K12 how to optimise the health and well-being of animals ready for transportation

You need to know and understand:

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- K13 the requirements of particular animals in relation to preparation of environment to allow their safe receipt
- K14 who is to receive the animals and any information which they require
- K15 the safe methods of unloading particular animals
- K16 the factors which affect animal stress and how these can be minimised
- K17 the different methods of establishing animals in new environments
- K18 the indicators of potential problems with health and well-being and how this is manifested in animals through behaviour and health
- K19 the effective methods of handing animals over to, or receiving animals from, another
- K20 how to assess critical causes for concern and determine the appropriate action in each case
- K21 the necessary documentation and the information necessary to complete it
- K22 the risks to health and safety which may occur during unloading
- K23 your responsibilities under animal welfare, the transport of animals and health and safety legislation

Additional Information

Scope/range related to performance criteria

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1. **prepare the transportation** in terms of:
 - 1.1. cleanliness
 - 1.2. health and safety
 - 1.3. security
 - 1.4. travel requirements of animals
 - 1.5. environmental conditions

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2. **prepare the new environment** in the following ways:
 - 2.1. removal of hazards
 - 2.2. establishing living conditions and facilities
 - 2.3. information passed to the relevant people

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