

Standard Ga5

Assist with the management of public relations and access to a sporting estate(SQA Unit Code-F9P1 04)

Element Ga5.1

Assist with the management of public relations and access

Element Ga5.2

Assist with incidents associated with access

Overview

This standard describes your role in controlling access to a sporting estate. It relates to the work activities that you undertake in respect to controlling access onto a sporting estate. This standard is aimed at those who work in game conservation on either a full- or part-time basis, and can be applied to any sporting estate.

To meet this standard you will be able to:

- assist in the control of access to a sporting estate help others to deal with incidents on a sporting estate deal courteously with visitors to the sporting estate.

For you to fully understand the content of the standard, and the activities it describes, it is important that you are able to understand the terms used within the standard. The definitions below should help you with this.

Game	Legal game quarry species including deer
Sporting estate	Any area of land used for the provision of game shooting activities
Access	Entry to land, facilities or building forming part of sporting estate
Poaching	The unauthorised removal of game from the wild

This standard relates to the following applications or context:

Completing surveillance with:

- unauthorised access
- poaching

Taking action in response to the following incidents:

- unauthorised activity
- suspected poaching
- poaching

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What you must be able to

1. Carry out work safely in line with health and safety requirements
2. Maintain all notices and devices used to control access to the sporting estate in a serviceable condition
3. Identify and interpret signs which indicate unauthorised access to the sporting estate
4. Maintain vigilance during all work activities for signs which indicate poaching activity
5. Complete **surveillance** activities according to specified requirements
6. Deal courteously with visitors to the sporting estate
7. Record and report accurately to supervisor all suspected incidents of unauthorised access

What you must know and understand

- (a) Recognition of signs which indicate poaching and unauthorised access
- (b) Basic law concerned with trespass, poaching and access
- (c) Recognised access to the sporting estate
- (d) The methods employed by poachers and the signs which indicate their application
- (e) The effects of poaching on game populations and shooting activities
- (f) The relative advantages and disadvantages of the measures used to control access
- (g) Why it is important to accurately record and report all suspected incidents of unauthorised activity
- (h) Surveillance activities and when they are best completed
- (i) The health and safety requirements in relation to self, colleagues, and the public associated with the management of access and including lone working
- (j) The value of good public relations to the sporting estate