

2131 Maintain lairage and antemortem facilities for religious slaughter

SQA Unit Code

H3D7 04

Level 2

SCQF Level 5

SCQF Credit value 6

Unit Summary

This unit is about monitoring and controlling the supply of feed and water to livestock lairage in accordance with the procedures of religious slaughter.

This unit is for you if you work in meat and/or poultry processing operations carrying out religious slaughter and your role requires you to prepare, monitor and control the supply of feed and water to livestock.

In order to be assessed as competent you must demonstrate to your assessor that you can consistently perform to the requirements set out below. Your performance evidence must include at least one observation by your assessor.

You must be able to:	You need to show:
<p>1. Maintain lairage and antemortem facilities.</p> <p>This means you:</p> <p>Monitor others that you are responsible for and give them accurate and clear information about safe, humane and effective practices for the movement and treatment of livestock in holding areas</p> <p>Monitor and maintain holding areas for livestock in line with operational, statutory and religious regulation requirements</p> <p>Identify problems in the livestock holding areas or whilst holding isolated livestock and take relevant remedial action</p> <p>Monitor the welfare of livestock in line with operational, statutory and religious regulation</p> <p>Hold and treat isolated livestock in line with operational and statutory requirements</p> <p>Control the feeding of livestock into the processing lines to maintain the processing line</p>	<p>Evidence must be work-based, simulation alone is only allowed where shown in <i>bold italics</i></p> <p>Evidence of maintaining lairage and antemortem facilities in accordance with workplace procedures.</p>

<p>speeds required</p> <p>Ensure that the waiting livestock are kept away from view of those being slaughtered, where abattoir layout permits and the religious authority so requires</p> <p>Ensure that there are no animals which are forbidden from being slaughtered in the same areas as the slaughter lines</p> <p>Agree with the relevant person(s) to ensure that any corrective actions are carried out</p> <p>Monitor relevant person(s) to ensure that the corrective actions are carried out</p> <p>Complete documentation accurately and clearly and make it available to the relevant person(s)</p>	
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You need to know and understand:

Evidence of knowledge and understanding should be collected during observation of performance in the workplace. Where it cannot be collected by observing performance, other assessment methods should be used.

1. How to monitor the welfare of livestock
2. How to handle, move and treat livestock
3. How to monitor and inform others about handling, moving and treating livestock
4. The types of treatments which may be given to isolated livestock
5. The reasons why livestock may need to be isolated and what holding methods are available
6. Why some isolated livestock may not be suitable for slaughter
7. How to feed livestock into the processing lines
8. Why some religious authorities require animals awaiting slaughter not to be in view of those being slaughtered, provided the layout of the slaughterhouse permits this
9. The effect of different line speeds on feeding livestock into the processing lines
10. How to monitor and maintain the livestock holding areas and why this is important
11. The types of problems that may occur in holding areas and what corrective actions you can take
12. The effects of over-crowding, lack of amenities, improper treatment, unsafe or unhygienic holding conditions and how they should be avoided.

Evidence of performance may employ examples of the following assessment:

- observation
- written and oral questioning;
- evidence from company systems (e.g. Food Safety Management System)
- reviewing the outcomes of work

- checking any records of documents completed
- checking accounts of work that the candidate or others have written