

2140 Ensure your own actions reduce risks to health and safety in livestock markets

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Unit Summary

This unit is about ensuring that your own actions reduce the risk to health and safety within a livestock market. It describes the competences required to ensure that:

- your own actions do not create any health and safety risks
- you do not ignore significant risks in your workplace and
- you take sensible action to put things right, including reporting situations which pose a danger to people in the workplace and seeking advice

This unit is for you if you work in a livestock market.

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>a. Identify the hazards and evaluate the risks in your workplace.</p> <p>This means you:</p> <p>Correctly name and locate the persons responsible for health and safety in the workplace</p> <p>Identify which workplace policies are relevant to your working practices</p> <p>Identify those working practices in any part of your job role which could harm yourself or other persons</p> <p>Identify those aspects of the workplace which could harm yourself or other persons</p>	<p>Evidence must be work-based, simulation alone is only allowed where shown in <i>bold italics</i></p> <p>Evidence of identifying the hazards and evaluate the risks in your workplace as part of your role in accordance with workplace procedures and within the limits of your own responsibilities.</p>

<p>Evaluate which of the potentially harmful working practices and the potentially harmful aspects of the workplace are those with the highest risk to you and others</p> <p>Report those hazards which present a high risk to the persons responsible for health and safety in the workplace [risks resulting from: the use and maintenance of machinery or equipment; the use of materials or substances; working practices which do not conform to laid down policies; unsafe behaviour; accidental breakages and spillages; environmental factors]</p> <p>Deal with hazards with low risks in accordance with workplace policies and legal requirements [risks resulting from: the use and maintenance of machinery or equipment; the use of materials or substances; working practices which do not conform to laid down policies; unsafe behaviour; accidental breakages and spillages; environmental factors]</p>	
<p>b. Reduce the risks to health and safety in your workplace.</p> <p>This means you:</p> <p>Carry out your working practices in accordance with legal requirements</p> <p>Follow the most recent workplace policies for your job role [workplace policies covering: the use of safe working methods and equipment; the safe use of hazardous substances; smoking, eating, drinking and drugs; what to do in the event of an emergency; personal presentation]</p> <p>Rectify those health and safety risks within your capability and the scope of your job responsibilities</p> <p>Pass on any suggestions for reducing risks to health and safety within your job role to the responsible persons</p> <p>Conduct yourself in the workplace in a way that does not endanger your own health and safety or that of other persons</p> <p>Follow the workplace policies and suppliers' or</p>	<p>Evidence of reduce the risks to health and safety in your workplace as part of your role in accordance with workplace procedures and within the limits of your own responsibilities.</p>

manufacturers' instructions for the safe use of equipment, materials and products [workplace policies covering: the use of safe working methods and equipment; the safe use of hazardous substances; smoking, eating, drinking and drugs; what to do in the event of an emergency; personal presentation]

Report any differences between workplace policies and suppliers' or manufacturers' instructions as appropriate [workplace policies covering: the use of safe working methods and equipment; the safe use of hazardous substances; smoking, eating, drinking and drugs; what to do in the event of an emergency; personal presentation]

Present yourself at work in a way that:

- ensures the health and safety of yourself and others
- meets any legal duties and

is in accordance with workplace policies

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. your legal duties for health and safety in the workplace as required by the current Health and Safety at Work Act
2. your duties for health and safety as defined by any specific legislation covering your job role
3. what hazards may exist in your workplace
4. the particular health and safety risks which may be present in your own job role and the precautions you must take
5. the importance of remaining alert to the presence of hazards in the whole workplace
6. the importance of dealing with or promptly reporting risks
7. the requirements and guidance on the precautions to be taken in relation to risks to health and safety
8. agreed workplace policies relating to controlling risks to health and safety
9. responsibilities for health and safety in your job description
10. the responsible persons to whom to report health and safety matters
11. the specific workplace policies covering your job role
12. suppliers' and manufacturers' instructions for the safe use of equipment, materials and products
13. safe working practices for your own job role
14. the importance of personal presentation in maintaining health and safety in the workplace

15. the importance of personal conduct in maintaining the health and safety of yourself and others
16. your scope and responsibility for rectifying risks
17. workplace procedures for handling risks which you are unable to deal with

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