

3137 Maintain lairage and antemortem facilities in food manufacture

SQA Unit Code

H3H3 04

Level 2

SCQF Level 6

Credit value 6

Unit Summary

This unit is about preparing, monitoring and controlling the supply of feed and water to livestock.

This unit is for you if you work in meat and/or poultry processing operations 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:

Evidence must be work-based, simulation alone is only allowed where shown in ***bold italics***

1. Maintain lairage and antemortem facilities

This means you:

Monitor others that you are responsible for and give them accurate and clear information about safe, humane and efficient practices for the movement and treatment of livestock in holding areas

Monitor and maintain holding areas for livestock in line with operational and statutory requirements

Identify problems in the livestock holding areas or whilst holding isolated livestock and take relevant remedial action

Monitor the welfare of livestock in line with operational and statutory requirements

Hold and treat isolated livestock in line with operational and statutory requirements

Evidence of maintaining lairage and antemortem facilities as part of your role in accordance with workplace procedures and within the limits of your own responsibilities.

<p>Control the feeding of livestock into the processing lines to maintain the processing line speeds required</p> <p>Agree with the relevant person actions to take with livestock that do not conform to requirements or specifications</p> <p>Supervise 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. Types of treatments which may be given to isolated livestock
5. Reasons why livestock may need to be isolated and what holding methods are available
6. How to feed livestock into the processing lines
7. The effect of different line speeds on feeding livestock into the processing lines
8. How to monitor and maintain the livestock holding areas and why this is important
9. Types of problems that may occur in holding areas and what corrective actions you can take
10. Effects of over-crowding, lack of amenities, improper treatment, unsafe or unhygienic holding areas, and how they can 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