

# LANLP35 SQA Unit Code H5B4 04

## Monitor and maintain the hatching and despatch of poultry

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### Overview

This standard covers the monitoring and maintenance of the hatching and despatch of poultry.

This standard covers the overall responsibility for this part of production. The person completing this role will required considerable knowledge and practical skills and must be capable of indentifying and resolving any problems that occur.

When working with livestock or machinery you need to be appropriately trained in line with current legislation, and hold a relevant award where appropriate.

This standard is for those involved in monitoring and maintaining the hatching and despatch of poultry.

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### Performance criteria

- You must be able to:*
- P1 maintain hatchers and equipment in a suitable condition for the hatching of eggs
  - P2 plan egg positioning and monitor the positioning of eggs is in accordance with production requirements
  - P3 monitor and maintain environmental conditions in accordance with the production requirements
  - P4 monitor the condition of newly hatched poultry and ensure they are correctly passed forward for sexing and/or boxing
  - P5 ensure sub-standard products are identified and disposed of by correct methods
  - P6 monitor the preparation of newly hatched poultry and confirm ready for despatch
  - P7 monitor and maintain the despatch of newly hatched poultry
  - P8 prepare, select and use tools, equipment and materials that are appropriate to the work, safely and effectively
  - P9 communicate effectively with others throughout your work
  - P10 ensure equipment is left in a clean and in a fit and hygienic state ready for future use
  - P11 ensure appropriate records are maintained and stored as required by relevant legislation and the organisation
  - P12 manage the removal of all waste and surplus materials and dispose of them in accordance with relevant legislation and codes of practice
  - P13 maintain health and safety of self and others at all times in accordance with current legislation and codes of practice
  - P14 maintain suitable levels of hygiene and bio-security

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### Knowledge and understanding

*You need to know and understand:*

- K1 the setting up, use and operating conditions of hatchers and hatching equipment
- K2 how to monitor production requirements for hatching of eggs
- K3 the planned positioning of eggs and the importance of this to production
- K4 how to monitor and maintain environmental conditions to promote hatching and the necessary adjustments to the system which may be required
- K5 how to monitor the handling and transfer of newly hatched poultry
- K6 features of sub-standard products, correct methods of disposal and the requirements of legislation
- K7 methods for cleaning hatching area, the reasons why this is important and the necessary monitoring which is required
- K8 methods of preparing newly hatched poultry for despatch and transportation
- K9 the correct ways in which the newly hatched poultry must be boxed
- K10 medication and vaccines administered to poultry
- K11 types of tools and equipment required and how to maintain and use these safely and effectively
- K12 appropriate records to be kept and how long they should be retained
- K13 the legal and organisational requirements for the handling, transport, storage and disposal of waste
- K14 the importance of maintaining effective communication with those involved or affected by the work
- K15 your responsibilities under current environmental and health and safety legislation, animal health and welfare legislation, codes of practice and company policies
- K16 types of production problems which may occur and the action to take
- K17 the importance of maintaining hygiene and bio-security and the methods for achieving this

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