

Skin Animals

Unit Summary

After slaughter, the hides or skins of cattle and sheep are removed to prepare the carcase for human consumption. The process is often known as dressing. It is a highly skilled operation and needs to avoid damage to the meat or hide.

The work must take careful account of health and safety and hygiene both for those doing the work and those who will consume the meat.

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.

Achievement of this Unit will provide you with opportunities to develop the following SQA Core Skills:

Problem Solving Access 3

- Analyse a simple situation or issue.
- Plan, organise and complete a simple task.

I have completed the requirements of this Unit.

Candidate name:	Date:			
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I can confirm the candidate has completed all requirements of this Unit.				
Assessor signature:	Date:			
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		Evidence Requirements	
Υοι	ı must be able to	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. Your evidence must be work-based, simulation alone is only allowed where	Evidence/ Activity Ref No.
		shown in <i>bold italics</i>	
	Prepare to carry out skinning	Evidence of preparing to carry out skinning	
	This means you:	in accordance with workplace procedures.	
1	 (a) Assemble and check tools and equipment needed for skinning. (b) Check all facilities are in place and working to meet hygiene and safety standards and follow company procedures to deal with any problems. (c) Check that the carcase transport system, tools and equipment are working and follow company procedures to deal with any problems. (d) Check that animals meet company specifications and follow company procedures to deal with those that do not. (e) Put the animal in the most effective place and position for skinning. 		
	Carry out skinning	Evidence of carrying out skinning in	
		accordance with workplace procedures.	
	This means you:		
2	 (a) Carry out ripping following company procedures for skinning. (b) Use equipment to separate the hide or skin from the carcase following company procedures to meet specifications. 		
	(c) Carry out skinning at a pace to meet the speed of production.		
	 (d) Clean and maintain tools and equipment between tasks following company procedures and to meet food safety requirements. (e) Check that the carcase conforms to 		
	specifications and carry out further trimming if necessary.		

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Evidence of Performance

Evidence of performance may employ examples of the following assessment:

- ♦ observation
- written and oral questioning
- evidence from company systems (eg 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

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You n	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.		Evidence
K1	Principles involved in removing the hide or skin of animals to be used for food.	
K2	Ripping lines for different species of animal.	
K3	Ways of ripping without damaging the hide or skin and why that is important.	
K4	Why speed is important when skinning carcases.	
K5	Tools and equipment used for skinning.	
K6	Facilities needed to maintain health and safety and food hygiene standards during skinning.	
K7	Legal requirements for skinning of carcases.	
K8	Quality standards for skinning carcases.	
K9	Controls relating to skinning.	
K10	Why it is important to keep carcases clean.	

Notes/Comments

Assessor signature:

Date: