
Overview

This standard deals with the competence required by individuals who are involved in deer management planning. It is aimed at those who work in game conservation and deer management on either a full- or part-time basis, and can be applied to any area of land.

To meet this standard you will be able to:

1. determine deer management requirements
2. suggest options for deer management
3. contribute to the development of deer management plans
4. agree deer management plans with relevant stakeholders

This standard relates to the following applications or context:

Establish usage of the following resources:

people
materials
equipment
finance

Suggest targets and ideas covering:

the short term
the long term
deer population management
habitat management

Analyse the following estate records:

cull records
environmental records
poaching

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Performance criteria

You must be able to:

Contribute to the development of a deer management plan

- P1 analyse estate records to establish effectiveness of previous activities and development opportunities
- P2 establish previous resource usage to determine efficiency
- P3 assess the impact of deer on habitat
- P4 make contributions towards the finalisation of the deer management plan
- P5 suggest realistic targets and ideas for maintaining and improving the future deer management options
- P6 identify benefits of deer management plan to wildlife and habitat conservation
- P7 discuss and agree the requirements of the deer management plan, and its implementation with stakeholders
- P8 establish mechanisms for monitoring deer management plans

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

Contribute to the development of a deer management plan

- K1 the characteristics and limitations of the area of land to which the deer management plan applies
- K2 the requirements of long- and short-term planning
- K3 how to analyse records to establish effectiveness of previous deer management activities
- K4 the importance of shoot records in determining true sporting potential
- K5 the principles of deer management
- K6 the legal requirements which control the management of deer
- K7 how habitat and wildlife management can be used to develop the potential deer management plan
- K8 the effect of deer management activities on other land use
- K9 how to present ideas in a way which promotes understanding
- K10 how deer can impact on differing habitats
- K11 the techniques used to assess the impact of deer on different habitats
- K12 the safety requirements associated with deer management

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