

LANCS63 SQA Unit Code H59P 04

Select and move animals from one location to another

Overview

This standard covers the selection and movement of animals from one location to another.

The standard covers moving the animals in a manner that is appropriate, reduces stress and is safe. You will also need to ensure the location where the animal is being moved to is safe, secure and suitable.

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 suitable for anyone involved in the selection and movement of animals from one location to another.

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Performance criteria

- You must be able to:*
- P1 assess the risks involved in moving the animal(s) from one location to another
 - P2 select, prepare, use and maintain tools and equipment in a safe, clean and effective condition throughout
 - P3 identify and gather selected animal(s) into a suitable area ready for moving
 - P4 check the new location meets the safety, security and suitability requirements of the animal(s)
 - P5 approach the animal(s) in a manner which appears calm and confident which is likely to eliminate alarm and reduce stress
 - P6 identify suitable methods for handling and transferring the animal which minimises distress and injury
 - P7 modify methods of handling appropriately in response to the actions of the animal(s)
 - P8 transfer the animal maintaining animal health and welfare, the health and safety of self and others or other animal(s) in the vicinity
 - P9 re-establish the animal(s) in an appropriate location
 - P10 maintain effective communication throughout to minimise the risk to others in the vicinity
 - P11 maintain suitable levels of hygiene and bio-security
 - P12 ensure appropriate records are maintained and stored as required by relevant legislation and the organisation
 - P13 carry out all work in accordance with relevant environmental, health and safety legislation and animal health and welfare legislation, risk assessment requirements, codes of practice and company policies

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 how to assess the risks involved in moving animal(s) from one location to another and how they can be minimised
- K2 types of tools, equipment and materials required for moving animals and how to prepare, maintain, use and store safely and effectively
- K3 the reasons for moving the animal(s)
- K4 how to select suitable methods for moving animal(s) and contingencies which may be required
- K5 the reasons for summoning help in situations where it is difficult to handle and move the animal(s) alone and the possible consequences of not so doing
- K6 how to identify the animal(s) which need to be moved
- K7 how to approach animal(s) in a manner to minimise stress
- K8 the animal's health status prior to moving and how this may affect the transfer
- K9 how to recognise normal and abnormal behaviour in animal(s) prior to and whilst being handled and moved
- K10 how to assess the safety, security and suitability of the new location
- K11 how to establish animal(s) once they have been moved
- K12 the importance of maintaining hygiene and bio-security and the methods for achieving this
- K13 the importance of maintaining effective communication with those involved in, or affected by the work
- K14 appropriate records to be kept and how long they should be retained
- K15 your responsibilities under current environmental and health and safety legislation, animal health and welfare legislation, codes of practice and company policies

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Links to other NOS

The selection and transfer by vehicle is covered in CS64, CS65 and CS66

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