

LANLP19 SQA Unit Code H5AH 04

Deliver non-surgical procedures to livestock

Overview

This standard covers the delivery of non-surgical procedures to livestock.

You will deliver non-surgical procedures to livestock, consistent with the legal requirements, such procedures should only be carried out on own livestock or the livestock of your employer.

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 those involved in the delivery of non-surgical procedures to livestock.

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Performance criteria

- You must be able to:*
- P1 use and store drugs and equipment for the delivery of non-surgical procedures in accordance with veterinary instruction and organisational policy
 - P2 prepare, use and maintain equipment in a safe, clean and effective condition throughout
 - P3 ensure work area is prepared in accordance with organisational and legislative requirements
 - P4 ensure correct methods are used when preparing animals for non-surgical procedures
 - P5 use the correct practices and techniques to deliver non-surgical procedures required, and comply with any legislative requirements
 - P6 restrain the animal securely and safely in a manner that meets your duty of care requirements under animal welfare legislation
 - P7 minimise discomfort and promote good aftercare to livestock
 - P8 observe animals after receiving non-surgical procedures and where appropriate report any unusual signs to the appropriate person
 - P9 maintain suitable levels of hygiene and bio-security
 - P10 ensure that environmental and health and safety policies and risk assessment requirements are put into practice across your area of responsibility
 - P11 deal with waste safely and correctly in accordance with legislation
 - P12 ensure appropriate records are completed as required by relevant legislation and the organisation

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 anaesthetics and drugs and their expiry dates, used for delivering non-surgical procedures
- K2 how to prepare, use and maintain tools and equipment in a safe and effective condition
- K3 the importance of preparing the work area in accordance with organisational and legal requirements
- K4 types of non-surgical procedures, how to deliver them correctly in accordance with legal and organisational requirements and the limits of your responsibility
- K5 how to prepare and handle animals ready for non-surgical procedures
- K6 the potential consequences of not adhering to instructions and procedures for carrying out non-surgical procedures
- K7 different restraint techniques that can be used and the importance of using the correct techniques to minimise stress levels, and safety to the handler and the animal
- K8 the aftercare required to promote quick healthy recovery
- K9 changes in condition of the animals after non-surgical procedures that can occur
- K10 why it is important to monitor the behaviour of animals after non-surgical procedures and report unusual signs
- K11 the importance of maintaining hygiene and bio-security and methods for achieving this
- K12 appropriate records to be kept and their significance
- K13 organisational policy in relation to livestock treatment and your responsibility under welfare legislation
- K14 your responsibilities under current environmental and health and safety legislation, codes of practice and company policies
- K15 how to handle, transport and dispose of waste in accordance with legal and organisational requirements

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Glossary

Non-surgical treatments cover: tail docking, castration, teeth and nail clipping, disbudding, claw removal and blocking, wing clipping

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