
Overview

This standard covers providing feed and water to animals. It covers the preparation of feed for animals which may include considering any special requirements; such as feeds which are prohibited for a particular animal (e.g. if the animal is diabetic), and any special supplements that have been specified in the animal's diet/meal plan. It also covers the provision of feed and water to animals.

You will need to be fully aware of the importance of health, safety and animal welfare in connection with this work.

This standard is for anyone who provides feed and water to animals.

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Performance criteria

- You must be able to:*
- P1 use safe practices and wear appropriate personal protective equipment
 - P2 maintain appropriate levels of hygiene and bio-security
 - P3 receive and store animal feed according to instructions
 - P4 obtain the correct equipment and materials needed to prepare and serve animal feed
 - P5 identify the type and quantity of animal feed required for each animal from feeding plans
 - P6 prepare the correct amount of animal feed according to recommendations minimising wastage
 - P7 provide feed in the specified manner to give each animal the opportunity to obtain its food requirement
 - P8 supply clean, fresh water to the animals by the specified system and according to their needs
 - P9 report any abnormalities in the feeding and drinking habits of the animals to an appropriate person
 - P10 clean, maintain and store equipment so that it is fit for use
 - P11 take appropriate action when difficulties are encountered during feeding
 - P12 maintain the health and well-being of the animal(s) throughout
 - P13 deal with waste safely and correctly in accordance with legislation
 - P14 keep accurate and up to date records as required by relevant legislation and the organisation
 - P15 carry out all work in accordance with relevant environmental and health and safety legislation, risk assessment requirements, codes of practice and company policies

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 the importance and correct use of personal protective equipment
- K2 the importance of maintaining appropriate levels of hygiene and bio-security and how this can be achieved
- K3 procedures for receiving and storing feed in your organisation
- K4 the different types of feed that are available and how they are prepared
- K5 the equipment and utensils that are used in preparing and serving animal feed
- K6 the specific needs which animals have for feed, and any special requirements (e.g. supplements)
- K7 why animals should receive their feed via the specified method
- K8 how to identify the feed required and quality
- K9 the importance of providing fresh water to animals
- K10 normal feeding behaviour of animals and signs of abnormalities
- K11 methods of cleaning and maintaining feeding equipment in a fit and hygienic state for use
- K12 correct storage and use of equipment and feedstuffs
- K13 the limits of your own abilities and responsibilities regarding difficulties which may arise
- K14 risks to animals, self and others and how these can be minimised
- K15 how to deal with the different types of waste produced by the activity
- K16 appropriate records to be kept and their significance
- K17 your responsibilities under relevant environmental and health and safety legislation, codes of practice and company policies

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