Modification history

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| Release | Comments |
| Release 1 | This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Release 11.0. |

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| AHCLSK354 | Monitor livestock production growing environments |
| Application | This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to monitor livestock production growing environments.  The unit applies to individuals who monitor livestock production growing environments under broad direction and take responsibility for their own work.  All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, according to state/territory health and safety regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace, and animal welfare legislation, regulations, standards and guidelines, and sustainability and biosecurity practices.  In addition to legal responsibilities, all units of competency dealing with animals in the AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package have the requirements for animals to be handled humanely to minimise stress and discomfort.  No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication. |
| Pre-requisite Unit | Nil |
| Unit Sector | Livestock (LSK) |

| Elements | Performance Criteria |
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| Elements describe the essential outcomes. | Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. |
| 1. Monitor livestock health and welfare | 1.1 Identify production plan information and confirm with supervisor  1.2 Identify hazards and risks and implement safe working practices to manage risks  1.3 Identify and report non-productive and slow growing livestock  1.4 Assess animals for overall health and welfare |
| 2. Monitor the production environment | 2.1 Monitor environmental parameters according to the production plan and adjust as required  2.2 Monitor hygiene and welfare procedures and adjust as required  2.3 Monitor disposal of waste and debris |
| 3. Monitor feed | 3.1 Monitor feed to ensure the correct diet is offered to livestock for optimum production  3.2 Monitor feed to ensure fresh palatable feed is available to livestock |
| 4. Perform routine maintenance checks | 4.1 Check all buildings, structures and production areas for wear and tear  4.2 Check equipment for delivering water and feed  4.3 Check equipment controlling the housing environment |
| 5. Complete monitoring activities | 5.1 Report livestock health and welfare issues, production environment, feed, and maintenance problems to supervisor  5.2 Record work activities and checks |

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| Foundation Skills  This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria. | |
| Skill | Description |
| Reading | * Identify and interpret workplace documentation to identify relevant and key information about production plan requirements |
| Writing | * Use clear language, accurate industry terminology and logical structure to record work activities and checks |
| Oral communication | * Use clear language to report significant production problems * Respond to questions and clarify information |

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| Unit Mapping Information | | | |
| Code and title current release | Code and title previous release | Comments | Equivalence status |
| AHCLSK354 Monitor livestock production growing environments | AHCLSK313 Monitor livestock production growing environments | Minor changes to application  Minor changes to elements and performance criteria  Foundation skills added  Assessment requirements updated | Equivalent |

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| TITLE | Assessment requirements for AHCLSK354 Monitor livestock production growing environments |
| Performance Evidence | |
| An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.  There must be evidence that the individual has monitored livestock production growing environments on at least two occasions, and has:   * applied relevant workplace health and safety and environment and biosecurity legislation, regulations and workplace procedures * applied relevant animal welfare practices * recognised and reported workplace health and safety hazards and used safe work practices * monitored livestock health and welfare * monitored the production growing environment * monitored feed systems and water supplies * performed routine maintenance checks * completed monitoring activities * reported significant production problems * recorded work activities and checks. | |

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| Knowledge Evidence |
| An individual must be able to demonstrate knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:   * workplace requirements applicable to health and safety in the workplace for monitoring livestock production growing environments * environment and biosecurity legislation and regulations, workplace practices and quality standards relevant to monitoring livestock production growing environments * principles and practices for monitoring livestock production growing environments, including:   livestock production parameters and production assessment systems  signs of health and methods of assessing livestock health  animal welfare practices and requirements  livestock housing, production and management systems and equipment  livestock hygiene and biosecurity requirements  workplace waste disposal requirements  livestock production management and feeding programs  monitoring housing and production structures, environmental control equipment, watering and feed delivery equipment  recording and reporting requirements. |

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| Assessment Conditions |
| Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:   * physical conditions:   a workplace setting or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions   * resources, equipment and materials:   work instructions and workplace procedures applicable to monitoring livestock production growing environments  equipment and resources applicable to monitoring livestock production growing environments   * specifications:   workplace requirements applicable to health and safety in the workplace for monitoring livestock production growing environments  environment and biosecurity legislation and regulations and workplace practices applicable to monitoring livestock production growing environments  legislation, regulations, standards, guidelines and procedures for animal welfare applicable to monitoring livestock production growing environments   * relationships:   supervisor   * time frames:   according to job requirements.  Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards. |

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