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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| AHCSHG2X02 | Assist in preparing for shearing and crutching |
| Application | This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to assist the owner or classer or overseer in the preparation of sheds and facilities prior to shearing and crutching operations.  This unit applies to individuals who work under general supervision and exercise limited autonomy with some accountability for their own work.  All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures and standards, state/territory health and safety regulations, animal welfare and biosecurity legislation and codes of practice, and sustainability practices.  No licensing, legislative or certification requirements are known to apply to this unit at the time of publication. |
| Pre-requisite Unit | Nil |
| Unit Sector | Shearing (SHG) |

| 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. Prepare equipment | 1.1 Inspect the facilities with the owner or classer or overseer to determine the degree of preparation required  1.2 Clean facilities and equipment as directed  1.3 Identify contaminating substances, remove and dispose of according to workplace environmental requirements  1.4 Report equipment faults or malfunctions to owner or classer or overseer  1.5 Select, use and maintain suitable personal protective equipment (PPE) according to workplace standards |
| 2. Arrange equipment and materials | 2.1 Position equipment according to owner or classer or overseer requirements  2.2 Arrange bins and wool packs as per workplace requirements  2.3 Position brooms and scrapers where required for safety |
| 3. Identify hazards and dispose of contaminants | 3.1 Identify potential and existing hazards and report to owner or classer or overseer  3.2 Follow directions of owner or classer or overseer in eliminating workplace health and safety (WHS) hazards |
| 4. Pen sheep | 4.1 Undertake teamwork in conjunction with overseer and other wool harvesting staff to prepare for sheep penning activity  4.2 Move and pen sheep for shearing or crutching in line with WHS, industry, biosecurity and animal welfare standards |

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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 |
| Oral communication | * Use clear language and industry terminology to relay information relating to workplace hazards and moving and penning sheep to owner or classer or overseer |
| Numeracy | * Estimate and apply time requirements to achieve the required output |

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| Unit Mapping Information | | | |
| Code and title current release | Code and title previous release | Comments | Equivalence status |
| AHCSHG2X01 Assist in preparing for shearing and crutching | AHCSHG202 Assist in preparing for shearing and crutching | Application wording clarified  Changes to Performance Criteria’s for clarification  Foundation Skills information added  Changes to Performance Evidence to specify volume and frequency  Knowledge Evidence, more specificity added and other wording clarification  Assessment Conditions clarified | Equivalent |

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| TITLE | Assessment requirements for AHCSHG2X02 Assist in preparing for shearing and crutching |
| 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 assisted in preparing for shearing and crutching on 4 occasions, including:  moving and penning sheep with other shed personnel on at least 2 occasions. | |

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| Knowledge Evidence |
| An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:   * shearing shed layouts and equipment * maintenance and hygiene requirements of shearing sheds, boards and catching pens * principles of moving and penning animals humanely, including:   ensuring gates are in good working order and robust enough to contain stock  filling pens to two-thirds capacity to give stock room to move  keeping pens and yards free of any obstructions to avoid injury and ensure free-flowing stock   * workplace health and safety (WHS) legislation and codes of practice applying to the job role * animal welfare legislation and codes of practice applying to the job role * workplace environmental and biosecurity policies and practices * safety features of personal protective equipment (PPE) and when and how it should be used * teamwork principles:   working towards a common goal  communicating effectively and cooperatively  understanding the work responsibilities of team mates  respecting others needs  embracing diversity. |

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| Assessment Conditions |
| Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:   * physical conditions:   skills must be demonstrated in a workplace setting or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions   * resources, equipment and materials:   equipment and materials appropriate for a shearing shed   * relationships:   owner or classer or overseer  wool harvesting staff  sheep.  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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