

Animal Reproduction Project

Summary of Validation Feedback, Responses and Actions

8 June 2021



This project includes the review of three qualifications, 23 units of competency and one skill set within the Agriculture, Horticulture, Conservation and Land Management Training Package. The final draft materials were developed as a result of feedback provided by stakeholders and Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) during the validation period 24 May to 4 June 2021.

A validation meeting was held on the 7 June 2021 at which all documents were validated.

Validation feedback was also received from a variety of stakeholders around the country via (phone, emails and surveys). The table below provides an overview of the groups and jurisdictions that have provided feedback during this phase of the project.

	ACT	NSW	NT	Qld	SA	Tas	Vic	WA	National
Industry (employer / employee)									
Industry association									
Union									
Registered Training Organisation (RTO)									
Government department									

Please note that stakeholders from all states/territories were involved in this project but no stakeholders from the ACT or Tasmania provided feedback during the validation phase. The Australian Workers Union was provided with information about the project and given the opportunity to provide feedback but did not provide feedback during the validation phase.

Below is a summary of the issues raised for the draft qualifications, units of competency and skill set reviewed for the Animal Reproduction project, and how these issues have been dealt with. This involves a consideration of the information provided, views of industry stakeholders and from people who are part of the Subject Matter Expert Working Group process. Resolutions are constructed to consider the needs and views of stakeholders to the extent possible, and to comply with the Standards for Training Package 2012. The resolutions may represent a compromise on one or more stakeholder views with the aim of a workable outcome for industry, State and Territory Training Authorities (STAs) and training providers.

Acronyms - PC – performance criteria, PE – performance evidence, KE – knowledge evidence, AC – assessment conditions, SMEs – Subject Matter Experts, AQF – Australian Qualifications Framework, SMEWG – Subject Matter Expert Working Group, IRC – Industry Reference Committee

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Summary of validation feedback on Qualifications

Revised qualifications

Stakeholder Comments and Identified Issues		Consideration and Proposed Resolution
AHC30416 Certificate III in Pork Production		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you
AHC30516 Certificate III in Poultry Production		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you

Proposed qualifications for deletion

Stakeholder Comments and Identified Issues		Consideration and Proposed Resolution
AHC50216 Diploma of Pork Production		
Government, WA	The validation drafts were circulated through our networks for review, and have received no feedback to date. We note the validation drafts include the deletion of:	Thank you for your feedback, which has been noted.

Stakeholder Comments and Identified Issues		Consideration and Proposed Resolution
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AHC50216 Dip of Pork Production • AHCAIS301 Collect semen • AHCAIS302 Process and store semen • AHCPLY301 Artificially inseminate poultry <p>There is no recent activity in these AHC training products in WA.</p>	
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Delete	Thank you for the feedback. Your recommendation has been adopted.
IRC Meeting	Delete	Thank you for the feedback. Your recommendation has been adopted.

Summary of validation feedback on Skill Sets

Revised skill sets

Stakeholder Comments and Identified Issues		Consideration and Proposed Resolution
AHCSS00122 Pork Industry Stockperson Skill Set (formerly AHCSS00052 Pork Industry Stockperson Skill Set)		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you

Summary of validation feedback on Units of Competency

Revised units of competency

Stakeholder Comments and Identified Issues		Consideration and Proposed Resolution
AHCAIS202 Assist with artificial insemination procedures (formerly AHCAIS201 Assist with artificial insemination procedures)		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated with minor change made: Remove 'and sustainability' from application.	Thank you for your feedback, which has been adopted. The following change has been made to the unit: Application: Removed 'and sustainability' from third paragraph.
AHCAIS304 Artificially inseminate livestock (formerly AHCAIS303 Artificially inseminate livestock)		
RTO, VIC	Validated	Thank you
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated with minor change made: Remove 'and sustainability' from application.	Thank you for your feedback, which has been adopted. The following change has been made to the unit: Application: Removed 'and sustainability' from third paragraph.
AHCAIS402 Supervise artificial breeding and embryo transfer programs (formerly AHCAIS401 Supervise artificial breeding and embryo transfer programs)		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated with minor change made: Remove 'and sustainability' from application.	Thank you for your feedback, which has been adopted. The following change has been made to the unit: Application: Removed 'and sustainability' from third paragraph.

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AHCLSK219 Carry out birthing duties (formerly AHCLSK203 Carry out birthing duties)		
Government, NT	Validated if minor change made: PE: “strategies” should be amended to “measures” to better reflect PC 1.8 and the totally different meaning of the words.	Thank you for your feedback, which has been adopted. The following changes have been made to the unit: Performance Evidence: changed 'implemented predator control strategies' to 'implemented predator control measures' Knowledge Evidence: changed 'predator behaviour and control procedures' to 'predator behaviour and control measures'.
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated with minor changes made: RE: PE & KE: “control strategies” should be amended to “control measures” to better reflect PC 1.8 and the totally different meaning of the words.	Thank you for your feedback, which has been adopted. The following changes have been made to the unit: Performance Evidence: changed 'implemented predator control strategies' to 'implemented predator control measures' Knowledge Evidence: changed 'predator behaviour and control procedures' to 'predator behaviour and control measures'.
AHCLSK220 Monitor livestock to parturition (formerly AHCLSK208 Monitor livestock to parturition)		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you
AHCLSK330 Implement procedures for calving (formerly AHCLSK329 Implement procedures for calving)		
RTO, VIC	Validated if minor change made: May need more emphasis on pre and post calving health of the cow, clinical and sub clinical	Thank you for your feedback, which has been adopted. The following change has been made to the unit: Knowledge Evidence: added 'pre and post calving health of cow, including clinical and sub-clinical health'.

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SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated with minor change made: KE: add more emphasis on pre and post calving health of the cow, clinical and sub clinical	Thank you for your feedback, which has been adopted. The following change has been made to the unit: Knowledge Evidence: added 'pre and post calving health of cow, including clinical and sub-clinical health'.
AHCLSK338 Conduct dropped ovary technique procedures for spaying cattle (formerly AHCLSK335 Conduct dropped ovary technique procedures for spaying cattle)		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated with minor change made: Remove prerequisite unit 'AHCLSK3XX pregnancy test livestock' Remove performance criteria 2.6	Thank you for your feedback, which has been adopted. The following change has been made to the unit: Prerequisite unit: Removed in toto Performance Criteria: PC 2.6 removed in toto, and renumbered PC's that follow.
AHCLSK339 Pregnancy test livestock (formerly AHCLSK408 Pregnancy test animals)		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated with minor change made: Add 'ultrasound or' to performance evidence, second paragraph.	Thank you for your feedback, which has been adopted. The following change has been made to the unit: Performance Evidence: Second paragraph, added 'ultrasound or'.
AHCLSK341 Coordinate artificial insemination and fertility management of livestock (formerly AHCLSK312 Coordinate artificial insemination and fertility management of livestock)		
RTO, VIC	Validated	Thank you

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SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you
AHCLSK342 Prepare animals for parturition (formerly AHCLSK314 Prepare animals for parturition)		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you
AHCLSK343 Prepare for and implement natural mating of livestock (formerly AHCLSK315 Prepare for and implement natural mating of livestock)		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you
AHCLSK421 Supervise natural mating of livestock (formerly AHCLSK411 Supervise natural mating of livestock)		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you

Stakeholder Comments and Identified Issues		Consideration and Proposed Resolution
AHCLSK422 Identify and select animals for breeding (formerly AHCLSK416 Identify and select animals for breeding)		
RTO, VIC	Validated	Thank you
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you
AHCLSK508 Plan, monitor and evaluate strategies to improve livestock through genetics (formerly AHCLSK507 Plan, monitor and evaluate strategies to improve livestock through genetics)		
RTO, VIC	Validated	Thank you
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you
AHCLSK509 Develop and implement a breeding strategy (formerly AHCLSK503 Develop and implement a breeding strategy)		
RTO, VIC	Validated	Thank you

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SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you
AHCLSK510 Develop production plans for livestock (formerly AHCLSK505 Develop production plans for livestock)		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you
AHCPRK307 Mate pigs naturally (formerly AHCPRK304 Mate pigs and monitor dry sow performance)		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you
AHCPRK308 Monitor dry sow performance (formerly AHCPRK304 Mate pigs and monitor dry sow performance)		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you

Stakeholder Comments and Identified Issues		Consideration and Proposed Resolution
AHCPRK309 Pregnancy test pigs (formerly AHCPRK301 Pregnancy test pigs)		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you
AHCPRK310 Artificially inseminate pigs (formerly AHCPRK303 Artificially inseminate pigs)		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Validated	Thank you

Proposed units of competency for deletion

Stakeholder Comments and Identified Issues		Consideration and Proposed Resolution
AHCAIS301 Collect Semen		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Delete	Thank you for the feedback. Your recommendation has been adopted.
IRC Meeting	Delete	Thank you for the feedback. Your recommendation has been adopted.

Stakeholder Comments and Identified Issues		Consideration and Proposed Resolution
AHCAIS302 Process and store semen		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Delete	Thank you for the feedback. Your recommendation has been adopted.
IRC Meeting	Delete	Thank you for the feedback. Your recommendation has been adopted.
AHCLSK302 Mate and monitor reproduction of alpacas		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD RTO, WA	Delete due to low/no enrolments	Adopted. Note: Unit reinstated for delivery following feedback from SA RTO (refer below).
IRC Meeting	Delete due to low/no enrolments	Adopted. Note: Unit reinstated for delivery following feedback from SA RTO (refer below).
RTO, SA	I had approximately 40 students do the unit last year This year I have 58 students undergoing training in this unit, who have had two full days face to face theory sessions and three practical field trips to a large alpaca breeding property in SA. They have gained a wealth of knowledge and experience, learning hands on with (alpaca stud).	Thank you for your feedback, The information has been passed to both the SMEWG and IRC who all agree the unit should not be proposed for deletion. This unit has been reviewed by industry experts to ensure the unit continues to meet industry needs.

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	<p>Next year, I am unsure of group numbers however, I imagine it will be similar enrolments to this year (approx. 60), if all goes well.</p> <p>Yes, I would love to continue delivering this unit to my students in the future.</p> <p>I have an awesome Industry Expert who has worked closely with me to develop training (resources) for this unit and we would really appreciate it staying current if possible.</p> <p>I can confirm the draft is suitable.</p>	
AHCPY301 Artificially inseminate poultry		
SMEWG Validation Meeting: Industry; VIC, SA & National Industry Association; VIC & QLD, RTO, WA	Delete	Thank you for the feedback. Your recommendation has been adopted.
IRC Meeting	Delete	Thank you for the feedback. Your recommendation has been adopted.