Modification history

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| Release | Comments |
| Release 1 | This version released with AMP Australian Meat Processing Training Package Version 8.0. |

| AMPLSK2X1 | Apply animal welfare and handling requirements |
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| Application | This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to handle animals safely and humanely, in line with workplace and regulatory requirements.  This unit applies to individuals who work under general supervision to receive and handle livestock in holding yards.  All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, in accordance with state/territory health and safety, animal safety regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace.  No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication. |
| Prerequisite 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. Identify workplace and regulatory requirements for handling animals | 1.1 Identify workplace and regulatory requirements for handling animals humanely  1.2 Identify and follow relevant sections of the applicable animal welfare standard and relevant legislation |
| 2. Identify safe animal handling practices | 2.1 Identify workplace health and safety requirements associated with handling animals  2.2 Identify work instructions and work practices for the welfare and handling of animals  2.3 Recognise and manage risks to animals being handled  2.4 Identify and manage risks to workers that are associated with handling animals, including use of personal protective equipment (PPE)  2.5 Identify workplace and regulatory requirements for dealing with sick and injured animals |
| 3. Identify the effect of animal welfare and handling on meat | 3.1 Identify the impact that animal stress and/or injury would have on the quality of meat  3.2 Recognise defects in meat quality resulting from poor handling techniques of live animals |
| 4. Identify livestock identification procedures | 4.1 Identify individual animal identification procedures according to workplace and regulatory requirements  4.2 Identify the purpose of individual mob and lot identification  4.3 Recognise animal lots according to workplace requirements  4.4 Identify the consequences of incorrect lot identification |
| 5. Handle animals safely | 5.1 Handle animals in a way that complies with workplace requirements and minimises stress  5.2 Handle animals safely in accordance with workplace health and safety requirements  5.2 Move, yard and control flow of stock to meet processing requirements  5.4 Communicate effectively with fellow workers while handling stock  5.5 Handle sick and injured stock in accordance with workplace requirements |

| 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. | |
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| Skill | Description |
| Reading | * Interpret key requirements of workplace procedures and animal welfare standards |
| Oral communication | * Clarify instructions and interact effectively with fellow workers |

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| Unit Mapping Information | | | |
| Code and title current version | Code and title previous version | Comments | Equivalence status |
| AMPLSK2X1 Apply animal welfare and handling requirements | AMPA2006 Apply animal welfare and handling requirements | Unit code updated.  Performance criteria rearranged for clarity.  Foundation skills added.  Assessment requirements revised. | Equivalent |

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| TITLE | Assessment requirements for AMPLSK2X1 Apply animal welfare and handling requirements |
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| 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 applied animal welfare and safe handling requirements for at least four lots of animals. | |

| Knowledge Evidence |
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| 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:   * relevant sections of Animal Welfare Standards and Guidelines * workplace procedures for receival and/or dispatch of animals * workplace requirements for maintaining flow and order of animals * impact of stress and injury on the animal * impact of stress and injury on product quality, including carcases, hides and skins * stock identification systems including National Livestock Identification System (NLIS) * lot identification of stock and its importance for traceability * workplace health and safety hazards of handling stock * feed and water requirements of animals at site * standard operating procedures for tasks associated with handling stock * arrangements for the euthanasia of hurt or unwell animals * customer and community expectations of animal handling. |

| Assessment Conditions |
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| 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 where livestock are handled for processing or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions * resources: * real animals for handling * personal protective equipment (PPE) * specifications: * workplace procedures, including advice on safe work practices and animal welfare and safety * relationships: * interactions with work team.   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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