Modification history

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| Release | Comments |
| Release 1 | This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 6.0 |

| ACMAIM5X2 | Prepare plans to set up a small companion animal evacuation facility |
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| Application | This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to develop a plan for the set up of a small companion animal evacuation facility.  The unit applies to individuals who apply research and planning skills and knowledge in a specific context plan for emergency community small companion animal housing needs. These individuals analyse information and exercise judgement to complete a range of skilled planning activities.  All work must be carried out to comply with Commonwealth, state/territory health and safety and animal welfare regulations.  No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication. |
| Prerequisite Unit | Nil |
| Unit Sector | Animal Incident Management |

| 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. Determine facility requirements for a small companion animal evacuation centre | 1.1 Identify local area facility requirements to house small companion animals during major incidents  1.2 Identify the features and facilities of the local area and suitable existing facilities incorporating capacity considerations  1.3 Research relevant regulatory requirements for small companion animal facilities  1.4 Research possible facilities' capacity, biosecurity, safety and security issues, and animal welfare considerations  1.5 Identify work health and safety (WHS), animal welfare practices and personal protective equipment (PPE) requirements |
| 2. Identify and liaise with appropriate community organisations | 2.1 Consult appropriate community stakeholders to discuss facility options, needs and budgetary and resource constraints  2.2 Check local government or State/Territory government for existing animal welfare plans with Australasian Inter-service Incident Management System (AIIMS) principles  2.3 Identify community organisations that can assist with the set up of a small companion animal evacuation facility at short notice during a major incident  2.4 Consult with identified community organisations to discuss findings, the capacity for existing facilities to house small companion animals at short notice and the temporary conversion requirements |
| 3. Document plan | 3.1 Review findings and seek feedback from appropriate stakeholders  3.2 Liaise with stakeholders to finalise and document the plan for the set up of a small companion animal evacuation facility at short notice as required |

| 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 | * Gather, interpret and analyse a variety of textual information from a range of sources to identify relevant and key information |
| Writing | * Prepare strategic business documentation incorporating appropriate vocabulary, grammatical structure and conventions appropriate to text and audience |

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| Unit Mapping Information | | | |
| Code and title current version | Code and title previous version | Comments | Equivalence status |
| ACMAIM5X2  Prepare plans to set up a small companion animal evacuation facility |  |  | Newly created |

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| TITLE | Assessment requirements for ACMAIM5X2 Prepare plans to set up a small companion animal evacuation facility |
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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 developed a plan for a small companion animals evacuation facility in a local area. | |

| 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:   * considerations for the set up of a small companion animal evacuation centre including: * being outside the hazard impact area * existing facilities available and for the required period * accessible to accommodation, transport systems, service providers, veterinary care * existing facilities in the local area to house small companion animals during an incident that may be suitable, including: * showgrounds * boarding kennels * veterinary surgeries * existing animal shelters * farming facilities * vacant buildings in industrial areas * safety and security issues, including: * yards * cages and enclosures * enclosed and lockable gates * easily accessible water * capacity considerations, including: * suitable for different small companion animal species and room to separate species * potential for expansion with additional buildings or yards * quarantine areas and biosecurity implications * areas for storage, office, toilets and meals * animal waste collection and disposal * areas for office processes such as registration * parking availability * capacity for animal welfare maintenance, including: * appropriate shelter * access to feed and water * access to first aid veterinary care * Australasian Inter-service Incident Management System (AIIMS) principles: * unit of command * span of control * functional management * management by objective * flexibility * work health and safety process requirements including personal protective equipment (PPE) * regulatory requirements * information database * budgetary and resource allocation requirements * local resources, facilities, suppliers and tradespeople * relevant Commonwealth, State/Territory and local government policies, guidelines and codes of practice * workplace policies, protocols and procedures * stakeholder consultation and participation principles and techniques * local networks and community organisations, including: * State or Territory health departments * police and other emergency services * social security * local government * non-government organisations * service providers * community groups * animal welfare practices. |

| 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 an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions * resources, equipment and materials: * regulations relating to suitable facility planning * animal welfare regulations * specifications: * workplace policies and procedures * relationships: * community stakeholders, including small companion animal owners.   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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