

# Open Awards Qualification Unit



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## 1 Unit Details

Unit Title:	Handling Animals
Unit Reference Number:	A/615/8110
Level:	Level 2
Credit Value:	3
Minimum GLH:	25

## 2 Learning Outcomes and Criteria

Learning Outcome (The Learner will):	Assessment Criterion (The Learner can):
1. Be able to handle animals	1.1 Approach and handle animals in a manner that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Minimises stress</li> <li>b) Takes into account the species</li> <li>c) Takes into account the animal's current temperament</li> <li>d) Takes into account known behaviour patterns</li> </ul>
	1.2 Monitor the animal's behaviour and its response to handling, noting any significant changes and take the appropriate action if required
2. Be able to work safely	2.1 Work in a way which maintains health and safety, animal welfare and is consistent with current legislation, codes of practice and any additional requirements
	2.2 Wear the appropriate personal protective equipment
3. Know how to handle animals	3.1 State how and where to obtain information about the temperament and the usual behaviour patterns of animals
	3.2 Describe safe and effective methods of handling animals
	3.3 Explain why it is important to monitor an animal's response to handling.

	3.4	Describe negative responses to handling and to whom these should be reported and the consequences of not doing so
	3.5	Describe the different factors that can affect an animal's behaviour and what to do if these are observed
	3.6	Describe how to deal with any contingencies which may arise, before approaching the animal
	3.7	Describe the limits of responsibility in handling animals and what to do if assistance is required
4. Know relevant health and safety legislation	4.1	Outline the current health and safety legislation, animal welfare legislation, codes of practice and any additional requirements