

Open Awards Qualification Unit



This unit forms part of a regulated qualification.

1 Unit Details

Unit Title:	Maintain the Cleanliness and Biosecurity of Animal Working Environments
Unit Reference Number:	R/618/8388
Level:	2
Credit Value:	3
Minimum GLH:	23

2 Learning Outcomes and Criteria

Learning Outcome (The Learner will):	Assessment Criterion (The Learner can):
1. Understand health and safety and other legislation on relation to the maintenance and cleaning of animal care working environments.	1.1 Summarise the health and safety legislation that applies to animal care working environments.
	1.2 Outline the animal welfare codes of practice related to cleaning and maintaining animal care working environments.
	1.3 Summarise the potential hazards when cleaning animal care working environments.
	1.4 Assess how risks can be minimised in respect to the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animals • Work environment • Equipment • Cleaning materials
	1.5 Describe how environmental impacts can be minimised when cleaning animal care working environments.
	1.6 Describe appropriate methods for disposing of waste in line with environmental legislation and guidelines.
2. Understand the processes and materials involved in the cleaning and maintenance of animal care working environments.	2.1 Outline the range of products and equipment used for cleaning a range of animal working environments.
	2.2 Explain the use of a range of cleaning materials for different areas of the working environment.

	2.3	Explain the importance of using correct dilutions of cleaning materials on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Particular fabrics and surfaces • Equipment
	2.4	Explain when sterilisation should be used.
	2.5	Outline the potential risks from incorrect and inadequate sterilisation of tools and equipment.
3. Be able to carry out cleaning of animal care working environments safely.	3.1	Carry out cleaning of equipment and tools used in the maintenance of animal care working environments.
	3.2	Use Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) appropriate to the task in hand.
	3.3	Use relevant cleaning products, equipment and materials appropriately and safely in animal working environments.
	3.4	Safely use cleaning materials and equipment appropriate to the task in hand.
	3.5	Clean a range of areas in the working environment including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Floors and walls • Food preparation areas • Washing and drying areas • Public areas • Animal accommodation • Staff facilities
4. Be able to carry out appropriate maintenance checks in animal care working environments.	4.1	Carry out appropriate inspections to identify areas of the environment which may require maintenance.
	4.2	Report issues of condition and wear and tear to appropriate person in a timely fashion.
5. Be able to work safely and in ways that are in line with environmental good practice.	5.1	Work in ways that maintain health and safety and are in line with animal welfare and other relevant legislation, guidelines and industry codes of practice.
	5.2	Dispose of waste in ways that are in line with environmental good practice and industry codes of practice.
	5.3	Work in ways which minimise environmental impact.
6. Understand the importance of good bio-security protocols and practices in animal working environments.	6.1	Outline the potential consequences of poor hygiene and bio-security practices in animal working environments.
	6.2	Explain how good hygiene practices contribute to a bio-secure animal working environment.
	6.3	Explain the contribution of good bio-security practices and protocols on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The health, safety and welfare of humans and animals on site • Customer relations • The public image of the organisation