

Display livestock to potential buyers in food operations

Overview

This standard covers the skills and knowledge needed to display livestock to potential buyers in food operations.

You must understand how to and show you can receive livestock into the display area, following directions from the auctioneer and display livestock to potential buyers.

This standard is for you if you work in food operations and the associated supply operations and if you work in meat and/or poultry operations and your role requires you to sort and/or classify livestock.

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Performance criteria

You must be able to:

Receive livestock into the display area

1. recognise and act on signals from relevant people to bring livestock, individually and in groups, into the display area
2. bring the livestock into the display area in the right order for the sale
3. move the livestock from the weighbridge to the display area at a pace suited to the livestock being displayed
4. maintain effective communication with relevant people to check the health and safety of self and others and to optimise the auction activity
5. use safe working methods and practices in line with relevant legislation and industry codes of practice

Display livestock

6. guide the livestock, individually and in groups, around the display area
7. display the livestock, individually and in groups, to their best effect to potential buyers
8. co-ordinate the display of the livestock with the auction activity and with any actions of the vendor
9. take action to deal with any difficulties that arise when displaying livestock
10. recognise the start and end of bidding activity
11. guide the livestock out of the display area at the agreed time

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

1. the practices and procedures involved in a livestock auction and your role in the auction
2. how to recognise different stages in the auction
3. why it is important to respond to signals from the auctioneer
4. how to communicate effectively
5. how to control, direct and handle livestock
6. how to bring different classes of livestock to the display area
7. how the weighbridge operates and who is responsible for ensuring that livestock are weighed properly
8. why it is important to identify the livestock correctly
9. how to display livestock to their best effect
10. how to guide livestock out of the display area
11. types of difficulties that can occur when displaying livestock and how to handle or respond to them
12. potential hazards when displaying livestock and how to avoid them

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