

UNIT 301 TASK Di

Deliver and Record Basic Animal Treatments

Learner Guide

What Is This Task About?

In this practical assessment you will demonstrate that you can safely deal with a **simulated first aid situation** involving an animal.

You will be assessed on your ability to:

- work safely
- approach and handle an animal correctly
- identify an injury
- choose suitable first aid equipment
- provide appropriate treatment
- monitor the animal afterwards
- complete accurate records.

This is a **practical assessment**.

What You Need To Do

During the assessment you will be given **one simulated first aid scenario**.

You will need to:

- ✓ prepare yourself safely
- ✓ approach the animal correctly
- ✓ assess the injury
- ✓ choose suitable equipment
- ✓ carry out the correct treatment
- ✓ monitor the animal
- ✓ record your findings and actions.

Before You Start

You should:

- wear suitable PPE
- wash your hands
- tie long hair back
- remove jewellery if required
- prepare your equipment
- stay calm and organised
- follow your assessor's instructions.

Remember that **animal welfare is always your priority**.

Possible Scenarios

Your assessor may choose a scenario involving an animal requiring basic first aid.

Examples could include:

- cuts or wounds
- bleeding
- minor injuries
- foot injuries
- skin injuries
- minor accidents

You will not know which scenario you will receive until the assessment.

Equipment You May Need

Depending on the scenario you may use:

- gloves
- first aid kit
- bandages
- sterile dressings
- saline solution
- antiseptic
- cotton wool or swabs
- scissors
- animal restraint equipment
- record sheets

Only use equipment that is appropriate for the treatment.

Step 1

Prepare Yourself

Before approaching the animal:

- ✓ Wear PPE.
- ✓ Wash your hands.
- ✓ Tie long hair back.
- ✓ Remove jewellery if required.
- ✓ Gather your equipment.

Step 2

Assess the Situation

Before treating the animal:

- look for hazards
- keep yourself safe
- keep other people safe
- think before acting.

Never rush into a situation.

Step 3

Approach the Animal

Approach calmly.

Remember to:

- move slowly
- speak quietly
- avoid sudden movements
- reduce stress
- observe behaviour.

Always use appropriate restraint if required.

Step 4

Assess the Injury

Identify:

- where the injury is
- how serious it appears
- whether immediate treatment is required.

Record your observations accurately.

Step 5

Carry Out Treatment

Choose suitable equipment.

Apply the correct first aid treatment safely.

Throughout the task remember to:

- minimise stress
- work carefully
- protect the animal
- follow good hygiene practices.

Step 6

Monitor the Animal

After treatment observe:

- behaviour
- movement
- bleeding
- pain
- response to treatment.

Continue monitoring throughout the task.

Step 7

Complete Your Records

Record:

- animal details
- injury identified
- treatment given
- equipment used
- time of treatment
- animal's response
- any further treatment required.

Write neatly and professionally.

Health and Safety

During the assessment you must:

- follow safe working practices
- use PPE correctly
- maintain hygiene
- handle animals safely
- minimise stress
- protect yourself and others.

Animal welfare should always come first.

How To Achieve a Pass

To successfully complete this assessment you must demonstrate all **12 essential criteria**, including:

- ✓ Preparing yourself correctly.
- ✓ Approaching the area safely.
- ✓ Handling and restraining the animal correctly.
- ✓ Identifying the injury accurately.
- ✓ Selecting suitable first aid equipment.
- ✓ Providing the correct treatment.
- ✓ Recording actions appropriately.
- ✓ Monitoring the animal after treatment.
- ✓ Maintaining animal welfare throughout.
- ✓ Explaining any further treatment if required.
- ✓ Completing relevant records.
- ✓ Working efficiently.