

Overview

This standard deals with the competence required by individuals who are involved in planning game sporting estates. It has been developed so that it can be applied to any organised game shooting activities on any area of land used for game shooting. This standard is aimed at those who work in game conservation on either a full- or part-time basis, and can be applied to any sporting estate.

To meet this standard you will be able to:

1. determine potential for sporting estate
2. suggest options for developing sporting potential
3. contribute to the development of sporting plans
4. agree sporting plans with shoot managers

This standard relates to the following applications or context

Establish usage of the following resources:

people
materials
equipment
finance

Outline future sporting capacity in respect of the following:

wild game
reared game
migrant game
deer

Suggest targets and ideas covering:

the short term
the long term
game management
habitat management

Analyse the following estate records:

sporting returns
shots taken
game population records
pest and predator records
environmental records
poaching

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Performance criteria

You must be able to:

Contribute to the development of an estate's sporting plan

- P1 analyse **estate records** for previous sporting years to establish effectiveness of previous activities and development opportunities
- P2 establish previous **resource** usage to determine efficiency
- P3 assess options and establish proposals outlining future **sporting capability** of sporting estate
- P4 make contributions towards the finalisation of the sporting plan
- P5 suggest realistic **targets and ideas** for maintaining and improving the future sporting potential
- P6 identify benefits of sporting plan to wildlife and habitat conservation
- P7 discuss and agree the requirements of sporting plan, and its implementation with shoot manager
- P8 establish mechanisms for monitoring shooting plan

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

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- K1 the characteristics and limitations of the sporting estate
- K2 the requirements of long- and short-term planning
- K3 how to analyse records to establish effectiveness of previous activities
- K4 the importance of shot records in determining true sporting potential
- K5 the principles of game management
- K6 the legal requirements which control the management of game
- K7 how to optimise the sporting capacity gained from wild and migrant game
- K8 how to encourage the presence of wild and migrant game
- K9 how habitat and wildlife management can be used to develop the potential of a sporting estate
- K10 the effect of sporting activities on other estate activities
- K11 how to present ideas in a way which promotes understanding

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