
Overview

This standard describes your role in maintaining game populations on a sporting estate. It relates to the work activities that you undertake to support game in the wild. 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. prepare and maintain equipment to be used to provide food, water and other resources
2. apply resources to effectively maintain game populations
3. monitor and report on the reaction of game to resources

This standard relates to the following applications or context:

Identifying the need for and apply the following resources:

feed
shelter
water
grit
medication

Preparing and maintaining sites, equipment and facilities to support:

feeding
watering

Applying resources to help support the following:

game welfare
location of game

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Performance criteria

You must be able to:

- P1 carry out work safely in line with health and safety requirements
- P2 identify when and where additional resources are required to support game populations
- P3 select, prepare and maintain the sites, equipment and facilities used to distribute resources
- P4 apply resources effectively to support game with minimum wastage
- P5 work in a manner which minimises disturbance to habitat and wildlife
- P6 monitor and report on reaction of game to resources
- P7 report accurately on game welfare and resource usage

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 the welfare requirements of game including common game welfare problems
- K2 the types of resources used to maintain game welfare
- K3 how resources are applied to support game
- K4 why it is important to minimise the disturbance caused during the preparation of facilities
- K5 the equipment and facilities required to provide additional resources to game in their habitat
- K6 the expected reaction of game to resources
- K7 the legal restrictions on the allocation of additional resources
- K8 the medications used in the maintenance of game health
- K9 the health and safety requirements associated with the application of resources including lone working

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Glossary

For you to fully understand the content of the standard, and the activities it describes it is important that you are able to understand the terms used within the standard.

The definitions below should help you with this.

Game

Legal game quarry species including deer

Sporting estate

Any area of land used for the provision of game shooting activities

Resources

For example: food, water, shelter etc.

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