

# 1XXXXX Describe the behaviour, handling and care of small domestic animals during a CDEM emergency

<b>Kaupae   Level</b>	3
<b>Whiwhinga   Credit</b>	1
<b>Whāinga   Purpose</b>	<p>People credited with this skill standard are able to describe the needs of small domestic animals during a Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) emergency. This includes explaining stress behaviours, safe handling techniques, and describing the requirements for appropriate care, housing, and daily management to maintain animal welfare.</p> <p>This skill standard is for people working with animals in a designated facility or Civil Defence Centre in an emergency.</p>

## Hua o te ako me Paearu aromatawai | Learning outcomes and assessment criteria

<b>Hua o te ako   Learning outcomes</b>	<b>Paearu aromatawai   Assessment criteria</b>
a. Explain stress behaviours in small domestic animals during a CDEM response.	a. Describe signs of stress and abnormal behaviour in small animals.
	b. Identify causes of stress in small animals during emergencies.
	c. Explain appropriate actions to mitigate stress.
b. Explain safe handling techniques for small domestic animals during a CDEM response.	a. Explain safe handling techniques that minimise stress and the risk of injury to the animal and handler.
	b. Identify appropriate equipment and resources used to safely handle small animals in emergencies.
c. Describe the care, housing, and daily needs of small domestic animals during a CDEM response.	a. Outline food and water requirements for small animals.
	b. Explain hygiene practices for maintaining feed preparation and storage areas.
	c. Identify the principles of providing exercise for small animals based on their individual needs.
	d. Describe the key elements of housing for small animals.

	e. Describe procedures for disposal of animal waste in compliance with SOPs and local authority regulations.
d. Describe the care of service and disability assist animals during a CDEM response.	a. Describe the legal status of service and disability assist animals in emergencies.
	b. Explain specific care and housing requirements for service and disability assist animals

## Pārongo aromatawai me te taumata paearu | Assessment information and grade criteria

### Assessment specifications:

#### Definition:

Small domestic animals: To include but not limited to cats, dogs, rabbits, birds, small mammals and pocket pets.

### Ngā momo whiwhinga | Grades available

Achieved

### Ihirangi waitohu | Indicative content

- Common stress behaviours in small domestic animals: vocalisation, trembling, aggression, hiding, or refusal to eat.
- Causes of stress: unfamiliar environments, separation from owners, loud noises, overcrowding, and handling by unfamiliar people.
- Principles of safe handling: appropriate restraint techniques, lifting methods, and use of carriers or cages.
- Essential equipment: leashes, harnesses, crates, and bedding.
- Dietary needs of small animals, such as cats, dogs, rabbits, and birds, including emergency feeding options.
- Housing considerations: ensuring adequate space, secure enclosures, ventilation, and protection from the environment.
- Waste management: safe disposal practices for litter, bedding, and food remnants in alignment with SOPs and local regulations.

### Rauemi | Resources

Where the resources have been updated, please refer to the latest version.

- Animal Welfare Act 1999. <https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/1999/0142/latest/dlm49664.html>
- Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002. <https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2002/0033/latest/whole.html>
- Dog Control Act 1996. <https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/1996/0013/latest/DLM374410.html>
- Health and Safety at Work Act 2015. <https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2015/0070/latest/DLM5976660.html>
- Human Rights Act 1993. <https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/1993/0082/latest/DLM304212.html>
- Human Rights Commission: Te Kāhui Tika Tangata, (n.d.). *Disability assist dogs and rights of access*. <https://tikatangata.org.nz/resources-and-support/guidelines/disability-assist-dogs-and-rights-of-access>

- Ministry for Primary Industries, Manatū Ahu Matua. (2022). *How MPI helps animals in emergencies*. <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/animals/animal-welfare/animal-welfare-emergency-management/how-mpi-helps-animals-in-emergencies/>
- National Emergency Management Agency: Te Rākau Whakamarumarū. (2020, November 9). *Guidelines and technical standards issued under the CDEM Act*. 2002. <https://www.civildefence.govt.nz/cdem-sector/guidelines>
- National Emergency Management Agency: Te Rākau Whakamarumarū. (2020, September 20). *Welfare services, arrangements and resources for welfare in an emergency*. <https://www.civildefence.govt.nz/cdem-sector/welfare>
- National Emergency Management Agency: Te Rākau Whakamarumarū. (2020, November 9). *CDEM Groups*. <https://www.civildefence.govt.nz/cdem-sector/cdem-groups>

### Pārongo Whakaū Kounga | Quality assurance information

<b>Ngā rōpū whakatau-paerewa  </b> Standard Setting Body	Toitū te Waiora Community, Health, Education, and Social Services Workforce Development Council
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