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Administering Aural Medication

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student applies gloves.	6	
The student cleans ears.	6	
The student successfully administered the medication into the ear canal without contamination of the applicator tip.	10	
The student applies proper amount of medication into the ear as noted by the veterinarian.	8	
The student massages the base of the outside of the ear canal causing a swishing sound from the medication moving around in the ear canal.	8	
The student wipes any solution that may have leaked onto the outside of the ear flap or hair.	6	
The student disinfects the medication dispenser with alcohol and places in appropriate area.	6	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

Judge Comments:



Bandage Removal

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student works from the proximal end to the distal end of the bandage.	6	
The student places the long, blunt blade of the bandage scissors against the skin and slightly under the bandage edge	6	
The student keeps the blade flat against the skin and at the tip raised slightly upward in contact with bandage.	6	
The student places superficial bandage layers between scissor blades.	6	
The student begins cutting proximally; peeling the bandage layers away from patient using a firm motion.	6	
The student peels or cuts layers moving toward the distal portion of the bandage.	6	
The student gently removes each layer of bandage.	6	
The student notifies the veterinarian when bandage has been removed and notes the status of the unbandaged area (normal or if there are any problems).	4	
The student cleans up work area.	4	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

Judge Comments:



Carrying a Cat

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student ensures that the cat is calm and happy.	12	
The student places one hand on the front of the cat's body to control the head and front limbs.	14	
The student places his/her other hand under the abdomen and rump to control the rear limbs.	12	
The student pulls the cat close to their body for support.	12	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

Judge Comments:



Filling a Syringe

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student determines the amount to be placed in the syringe.	6	
The student selects the proper-sized syringe.	8	
The student inserts the syringe into the top of the bottle.	6	
The student places the bottle upside down in one hand and holds securely.	6	
The student withdraws the proper volume.	6	
The student removes the syringe from the bottle.	6	
The student gently taps or snaps the edge of the syringe to remove any air bubbles, or slightly expel the air by pushing the end of the plunger.	6	
The student places syringe in the sharps container.	6	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

Judge Comments:



Haltering Cattle

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student places crown piece of halter over ears, then slips nose through nosepiece.	12	
The student properly adjusts the halter such that the nose band crosses over bridge of nose halfway between the nostrils and eyes.	14	
The student ensures that the adjustable portion of the nose band is under the chin, not across the bridge of the nose.	12	
The student keeps the standing end or lead rope portion on the left side of the cow.	12	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

Judge Comments:



Removing a Dog from a Floor Level Cage or Kennel

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student places a leash in one hand with a large loop open and ready to place over the dog's head.	10	
The student places a leash in one hand with a large loop open and ready to place over the dog's head.	10	
The student slips the leash over the neck of the dog and gently tightens the leash around the neck.	10	
The student opens the door and allows the dog to exit the cage.	10	
The student keeps the dog to their side while maintaining a slight tension on the leash.	10	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

Judge Comments:



Restraint of the Cat for the Femoral Venipuncture

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student places the cat on an examination table.	12	
The student scruffs the cat with one hand and lifts it off of the table enough to grasp both hind legs with his/her other hand.	14	
The student lays the cat on its side in lateral recumbency.	12	
The student tucks top rear leg and tail while occluding the femoral vein with side of hand.	12	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

Judge Comments:



Restraint of the dog in Sternal Recumbency

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student puts a noose leash on the dog.	10	
The student begins with the dog sitting.	10	
The student places one arm around the dog's neck and places the other arm around the dog's back to grasp the forelimbs.	10	
The student pushes the dog's back with his/her body to encourage the dog to lie down.	10	
The student positions the dog so that head can be examined.	10	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

Judge Comments:



Restraint of a Rabbit

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student approaches the rabbit calmly and quietly.	10	
The student scruffs the rabbit with one hand while gently lifting the front end.	10	
The student's other hand immediately reaches under the hind limbs and holds them (not allowing the hind limbs to dangle).	10	
The student rests the rabbit's body on the arm with the hand holding the hind limbs.	10	
The scruffing hold is released and the hand is moved to hold the elbow of the opposite arm..	10	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

Judge Comments:



Tying a Bowline Knot

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student makes a loop in the long end of the rope such that the short end of the rope overlaps the long end.	10	
The student passes the short end of the rope up through the loop.	10	
The student reaches under the long end of the rope and grasps the short end such that it wraps around the long end.	10	
The student passes the short end of the rope back through the loop in the opposite direction of the first pass.	10	
The student tightens the knot by pulling on both long and short ends.	10	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

Judge Comments:



Tying a Reefer Knot

Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.

Criteria	Points Possible	Points Earned
The student places the rope over a pole or tie area.	12	
The student passes the short end over and under the long end.	14	
The student makes a fold or bight in the short end and passes it over and under the long end.	12	
The student pulls securely on the long end and loop of the short end.	12	
TOTAL POINTS	50	

Judge Comments: