



## Handling Assessment for LAST –Ireland Animal handling/Techniques

Animal species:

Name:

Institute /Department :

Course Date:

Establishment Number :

\*Signature of Approved Trainer: (AT)

Date

Skill / Technique	Signature of trainer Can do the techniques under supervision	Qualification / Position	Date	Supervisor Signature Can do the techniques unsupervised	Date	AT initials /date
Basic Skills						
Handling and Restraint						
Sexing						
Husbandry and Care						
Breeding & Weaning						
Advanced						
Gavage						
Injections						
Intraperitoneal						
Subcutaneous						
Intramuscular						
Intravenous						
Other*						
Blood Collection						
Use of Anaesthetics						
Use of Analgesics						
Aseptic Surgery						
Post surgical Care						
Euthanasia - CO <sub>2</sub>						
Euthanasia - Barbiturate						
Stunning (concussion)						
Cervical dislocation						

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Assessment includes catching, removal from cage or pen, manipulation for s/c and i/p injections, Sexing and returning the animals to its cage.

## Handling

For handling to be acceptable the techniques used need not be the most elegant, but the comfort and safety of the animals and the safety of the handler must not be jeopardised. Animals should be handled and sexed individually.

## The Handler must

1. approach with confidence
2. catch the animals with the minimum of hesitancy or disturbance
3. remove the animals from the cage smoothly

Animal should be held securely but not too tightly

Animal should be returned to the cage floor carefully and not abandoned half way in or allowed to catch its limbs or claws in clothing or the cage.

## Animal Stress

Animal should appear relaxed throughout the handling and should not struggle or show signs of distress.

If the handler is bitten or the animals dropped, try and establish the reason before penalising.

Any aggressive animals stressed by other handlers should not be used and removed from the group.

### Failure/ Referral

Any harm caused to animals or refusal to handle through fear or ignorance warrants failure.

If a person is a poor scorer it should be referred to a second examiner who should have no knowledge of the failure points.

## SCORING

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<b>Confidence</b>	Approach Attitude
Stress Caused to animals	Holding Ability
Removal from cage	Holding
<b>Carrying</b>	Returning to cage
Restraint Techniques	I/P injection
S/C injection	I/M injection
I/V injection	Oral Gavage
	Control of fractious animal
<b>Ability to Recognise</b>	Age /sex
Normal Behaviour	Healthy animals

\*Trainer named on establishment Site Master File. Trainer is signing that this person has undergone the training identified at the date the signature was given