



ASSESSMENT WORKSHEET FOR MODULE C6

Falconry furniture and equipment for handling birds of prey

This worksheet will:

-help candidates to research and gather evidence of knowledge and skills

-assist assessors in making judgements about knowledge and skills

1. Furniture that may be fitted to a bird of prey

1.1 Dangers arising from ill-made, defective or incorrectly fitted furniture

How would you identify furniture that is ill-made, defective or incorrectly fitted?

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Describe the dangers from ill-made, defective or incorrectly fitted furniture

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1.2 Anklets – reasons for use. Aylmeri anklets, false aylmeri anklets, sources of supply, correct self-manufacture, correct fitting, inspection and maintenance, suitable materials and unsuitable materials. Unsuitable designs of anklet.

Note that you will be required to demonstrate these skills – see section 6

What purposes do anklets serve?

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State 2 credible sources for purchasing anklets/ materials to make anklets

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- 2

Which material(s) are suitable for making anklets and why?

Suitable material(s)

Unsuitable material(s)

1.3 Jesses – reasons for use. Permanent and temporary jesses. Mews jesses, flying jesses. Bullet jesses. Sources of supply, correct self-manufacture, inspection and maintenance. Suitable materials and unsuitable materials.

What purposes do the types of jesses above serve?

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State 2 credible sources for purchasing jesses/ materials to make jesses

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Which material(s) are suitable for making jesses and why?

Suitable material(s)

Unsuitable material(s)

1.4 Swivels - reasons for use. Sources of supply. Unsuitable swivels

What purposes do swivels serve?

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State 2 credible sources for purchasing swivels

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- 2

Describe an unsuitable swivel

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1.5 Bells – reasons for use. Sources of supply. Alternative methods of attachment and the merits of each. Leg Bells, Tail Bells, Neck Bells

What purposes do bells serve?

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State 2 credible sources for purchasing bells

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Describe alternative methods of attaching bells and comment on the merits of each one

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1.6 Identification rings and microchips. Correct fitting of closed rings, use of split rings. Which microchips, when to implant and who should do it. Registration of ring numbers and microchips.

What is the process for attaching an identification ring to a bird of prey?

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What is the process for getting a bird of prey microchipped?

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What is the process for registering ring numbers/ microchips?

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1.7 Mounts for telemetry systems – reasons for use. Sources of supply, leg mounts, tail mounts, backpacks and the merits of each method of attachment. Unsuitable mounting techniques

What purposes do telemetry systems serve?

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State 2 credible sources for purchasing telemetry systems

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- 2

Describe alternative methods of attaching telemetry and comment on the merits of each one

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1.8 Hoods – reason for use. Species suitable for hooding. Species not suitable for hooding. Sources of supply. Self-manufacture. Correct sizing. Hooding technique. Length of time hooded.

What are the benefits of hooding a bird of prey? Note benefits to the bird.

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Which species are suitable for hooding

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Which species are unsuitable for hooding

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State 2 credible sources for purchasing hoods/ materials to make hoods

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- 2



2. Other equipment used during the training and free-flying of birds of prey

2.1 Gloves

Describe the purpose of gloves and when to use these

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2.2 Leash – reasons for use. Suitable materials and unsuitable materials. Correct use. Attachment techniques

What are suitable materials for a leash and why

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What are unsuitable materials for a leash and why

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2.3 Perches - Types of perch. Species and perch suitability. Reasons for tethering and restrictions on permanent tethering. (UK)

Describe different types of perches and their suitability/ use

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What are the restrictions regarding tethering under UK law?

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2.4 Creance – reasons for use. Suitable materials, unsuitable material. Unsafe use of creance and potential consequences.

What purpose does a creance serve?

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Describe an unsafe method of using a creance and what the consequences might be

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Which material(s) are suitable for creances and why?

Suitable

material(s)

Unsuitable

material(s)

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2.5 Falconers bag or suitable alternative

What features make a 'good' falconers bag?

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2.6 Weighing machines / scales – reasons for use. Over-reliance on weighing. Dangers of false readings

Describe the pros and cons of using weighing machines/ scales

Pros.....

Cons

2.7 Record sheets – reasons for use. What to record.

What records should you keep about a bird of prey and why?

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2.8 Lures and other artificial prey – reasons for use. Types of lure and their use.

What purpose does a lure serve?

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Describe different types of lure and their use

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2.9 Travelling boxes – reasons for use. Good design including dimensions. Unsuitable travelling boxes

Design a travelling box for a specific bird of prey and make notes on size and features

Bird that this box is designed for

Large empty rectangular box for drawing and notes.

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Large empty rectangular box for assessor comments.



6. Demonstration of Skills

6.1 Demonstrate correct technique in picking up, carrying and setting down a bird of prey

6.2 Demonstrate safe fitting of jesses to anklets: swivel to jesses; leash to swivel and creance to swivel

6.3 Demonstrate safely fastening a bird of prey to a perch and to a glove

6.4 Demonstrate safe use of a lure / artificial prey

Assessors should retain records e.g. witness statements; record short video clips/ photographs that clearly demonstrate the identity of the candidate and the activity taking place.

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