

OSCE Code NC18

NVQ Level 3 National Occupational Standard Ref: VetN 7.1

Level 3 Diploma in Veterinary Nursing Ref: EQVN 24.3

This OSCE will be used to assess the awards indicated

Award	Award Reference	Pathway	
NVQ Level 3	100/6216/6	Small Animal	x
NVQ Level 3	100/6216/6	Equine	✓
Level 3 Diploma in Veterinary Nursing	500/9872/X	Small Animal	x
Level 3 Diploma in Veterinary Nursing	500/9872/X	Equine	✓
Level 3 Diploma in Veterinary Nursing	500/9872/X	Small Animal (Transitional)	x
Level 3 Diploma in Veterinary Nursing	500/9872/X	Equine (Transitional)	✓

The veterinary surgeon has requested that you prepare the equipment necessary for a jugular vein short stay catheter placement in a 16.2hh eight year old Cleveland Bay mare.

- a. Demonstrate hand hygiene using the World Health Organisation (WHO) 6 step method and the alcohol gel provided
- b. Select and prepare the equipment required for this procedure

Please place the equipment on the draped surface as indicated by the examiner.

Methodology: you will be expected to:

1.	Remove all hand and wrist jewellery, roll sleeves up (candidates without jewellery or long sleeves awarded this step)
2.	Nails well manicured, clean and unvarnished. False nails are not permitted.
3.	Apply 3-5 mls alcohol rub to palms (usually 1 pump)
4.	Rub hands palm to palm (minimum 3 strokes)
5.	Rub right palm over the back of the left hand (minimum 3 strokes)
6.	Rub left palm over the back of right hand (minimum 3 strokes)
7.	Interlace fingers and rub palms together (minimum 3 strokes)
8.	Clasp fingers to rub back of fingers (minimum 3 strokes)
9.	Rotationally rub the left thumb with the right palm (minimum 3 strokes)
10.	Rotationally rub the right thumb with the left palm (minimum 3 strokes)
11.	With left finger tips rub the palm of the right hand (minimum 3 strokes)
12.	With right finger tips rub the palm of the left hand (minimum 3 strokes)
13.	Air dry hands or ensure hands are dry before selecting equipment
14.	Effective hand hygiene technique used (WHO Method)
15.	Select clippers
16.	Select clipper blades
17.	Apply clipper blades correctly
18.	Check clippers are functioning
19.	Select suitable skin antiseptic solution
20.	Select surgical spirit
21.	Select lint free swabs
22.	Select 1 appropriate IV catheter
23.	Select local anaesthetic injection

24.	Select suitable needle and syringe for administration of local anaesthetic
25.	Select kidney dish
26.	Select suture pack/superglue
27.	Select sterile gloves
28.	Select zinc oxide tape
29.	Select suitable cohesive bandage
30.	Select three way tap
31.	Select heparinised saline