

OSCE Code TP01

NVQ Level 3 National Occupational Standard Ref: VetN 10.1, 10.2

Level 3 Diploma in Veterinary Nursing Ref: VN 11.2

This OSCE will be used to assess the awards indicated

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

You have been requested to assist the veterinary surgeon with an exploratory laparotomy.

You have just surgically scrubbed your hands and arms in preparation to assist with this procedure.

Put on the sterile surgical gown and surgical gloves using the closed method.

The gown supplied is a back tying gown.

Note: Students are expected to bring two pairs of surgical gloves to the examination. Students five foot and under may request to bring the surgical gown they use at work. The request must be made by the entry date of the examination.

Methodology: you will be expected to:	
1.	Ensure that hand and wrist jewellery is removed
2.	Nails well manicured, clean and unvarnished. False nails are not permitted.
3.	Grasp the folded gown from the trolley
4.	Lift up and away from trolley
5.	Holding the neck allow the gown to fall open away from the body
6.	Guide arms through sleeves of gown
7.	Hands remain inside the sleeves of the gown
8.	Instruct assistant to touch only the inside of the gown
9.	Ask assistant to fasten back/neck ties
10.	Bend to pick up the waist tie/s
11.	Pass tie/s to assistant
12.	Ask assistant to fasten waist tie/s at the back
13.	Maintain sterility of gown and self throughout gowning procedure
14.	Keep both hands within cuffs of gown
15.	Ask assistant to open glove packet
16.	Take inner glove packet
17.	Outer packaging not touched
18.	Place inner glove packet onto sterile surface
19.	Turn packet upside down (so fingers of gloves are pointing towards the candidate)
20.	Unfold packet to expose gloves
21.	With either hand first, pick up the appropriate glove by the rim or fold of the cuff
22.	Turn the hand over so that the glove lies on the palm
23.	Grasp the uppermost rim of the glove with the other covered hand
24.	In one movement, pull the glove over the first hand
25.	Ensure rim of glove entraps the cuff of the gown
26.	Pick up remaining glove by the rim or fold with ungloved hand
27.	Turn the hand over so the glove lies on the palm

28.	Pick up the uppermost rim of the glove with other gloved hand
29.	In one movement, pull the glove over the second hand
30.	Ensure rim of glove entraps the cuff of the gown
31.	Adjust the fingers and cuffs as necessary to ensure snug fit
32.	Clasp hands together
33.	Hands to remain above waist after gloving completed
34.	Hands gloved using correct left and right gloves
35.	Maintain sterility of gloves and self during gloving procedure