

## 1. TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (ES)

Certificado de Profesionalidad de nivel 2 en  
AGAN0312 CUIDADOS DE ANIMALES SALVAJES, DE ZOOLÓGICOS Y ACUARIOS

## 2. TRANSLATED TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (EN)

Professional Certificate Level 2 in  
AGAN0312 WILD ANIMAL CARE IN ZOOS AND AQUARIUMS  
(This translation has no legal status)

## 3. PERFIL DE COMPETENCIAS

The holder of this certificate will have acquired the **general competence** to control facilities and enclosures for wild animals, in zoos and aquarium, applying security measures, cleaning and/or disinfection systems associated with enclosures and animal species, according to established protocols and risks prevention planning and support the physician responsible of the clinical practice, in the animal exploration, care and feeding of the animals, and conducting their training and environmental enrichment, immobilization and handling of animals by physical means, following animal welfare criteria. This general competence is divided into the following **skill units(UC)**:

- Do the maintenance of wildlife facilities and enclosures, monitoring their security, quality and cleanliness status (UC2062\_2).
- Prepare and deliver food to wild animals depending on their species, with salubrity and following the criteria of the physician responsible (UC2063\_2).
- Conduct the training and environmental enrichment of wild animals, improving their welfare and care (UC2064\_2).
- Immobilize and handle wild animals for implementing procedures, ensuring their welfare and safety (UC2065\_2).
- Prevent occupational risks involved in handling animals and toxic and dangerous products (UC1725\_2).

The professional skills are acquired through the **learning outcomes** defined within the related Training Modules (MF):

- Maintenance of facilities and enclosures of wild animals (MF2062\_2).
- Feeding wild animals (MF2063\_2).
- Training and environmental enrichment of wild animals (MF2064\_2).
- Immobilization and handling of wild animals (MF2065\_2).
- Occupational risks prevention involved in handling animals and toxic and dangerous products (MF1725\_2).
- Practical training at the workplace in wild animal care in zoos and aquariums (MP0518).

(See legal basis for all learning outcomes information acquired by the holder of this Certificate in each MF).

As a reference the learning outcomes include in the Practical training at the workplace that complete and reinforce the learning outcomes acquired in the other training modules, are:

- Do the maintenance of facilities and enclosures of wild animals.
- Feed wild animals.
- Train and apply environmental enrichment programs in wildlife.
- Immobilize and handle wild animals.
- Participate in the working processes of the company, following the rules and instructions established at the workplace.

#### 4. RANGE OF OCCUPATIONS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HOLDER OF THIS CERTIFICATE

The holder of this certificate may work in production sectors related to zoos and nature parks in the area of animal care, in activities that keep wild animals for study, conservation, research, recovery, reintroduction, education and exhibition. The most relevant occupations and work positions are:

- Animal caretaker in zoos and aquariums.
- Animal caretaker in wildlife recovery centers.
- Animal caretaker in farm-schools and nature interpretation centres.
- Animal caretaker in animal shops and on animal exhibitions.
- Animal caretaker in nature reserves.

#### 5. OFFICIAL BASIS OF THE CERTIFICATE

##### Name and status of the national/regional authority providing accreditation/recognition of the certificate

The Ministry of Employment and Social Security or the corresponding autonomous regional administration within the scope of its competence, in the name of the King. The certificate is valid throughout Spain.

##### Level of the certificate

The Professional Certificate Level 2 of the National Repertoire of Professional Certificates corresponds to level 3 of the International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED-P 2011).

The European Qualification Framework (EQF) level:

##### Grading scale/Pass requirements

The grading scale and pass level of the training modules are expressed on a scale of 0 to 10. The minimum score for a pass is 5 in every training module including a pass in the practical training at the workplace module.

The grading system is as follows:

- FAIL: 0 to 4.9
- PASS-SATISFACTORY: 5 to 6.9
- PASS-GOOD: 7 to 8.9
- PASS-EXCELLENT: 9 to 10

##### Access to next level of education/training

This Professional Certificate Level 2 gives access to Professional Certificate Level 3 within the same professional area and family.

For validation purposes, the educational authorities will recognise the professional module or modules of the VET diplomas corresponding to the skills units included in the training modules of this certificate.

##### Legal basis

Royal Decree 983/2013 of December 13th, by which four professional certificates of the Professional Family of Agriculture, included in the National Repertoire of professional certificates are established. (Appendix II, Code: AGAN0312)

## 6. OFFICIALLY RECOGNISED WAYS OF ACQUIRING THE CERTIFICATE

This certificate may be acquired by:

1. Training: Completion with a pass grade of the face-to-face or online training programme.
2. Recognition of the professional skills acquired through professional experience or non-formal training (prior learning): Completion of a process of skills evaluation and accreditation in all the skills units making up the professional certificate.
3. Dual training: Completion of a training and apprenticeship contract, which may range from 1 year (or 6 months, if stipulated as such in the collective agreement) to 3 years, during which effective working time is combined with time dedicated to training under the training programme for the professional certificate.

The training method (number 1 above) requires successful completion of the training modules and the practical training at the workplace:

Description of vocational training received	Percentage of total programme (%)	Duration (hours)
Training modules	84	420
Practical training at the workplace	16	80
<b>Total duration of training leading to the certificate</b>		<b>500</b>

### Entry/access requirements:

- Compulsory Secondary Education Diploma (Lower secondary education); or
- Professional Certificate Level 1 in the same professional area.
- If neither of the above or higher certifications are held, a pass in the key skills tests.

**Additional information:** Professional certificates are instruments for official accreditation of the professional qualifications in the National Catalogue of Professional Qualifications for all economic activities, within the scope of the labour administration. The National Repertoire of Professional Certificates is divided into three qualification levels (Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3), and by sectors into 26 professional families and 102 professional areas. More information is available at: [www.sepe.es](http://www.sepe.es)

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(\*) **Explanatory note:** This document is designed to provide additional information about the specified certificate, but has no legal status in itself. The format of the description is based on the following texts: Council Resolution 93/C 49/01 of 3 December 1992 on the transparency of qualifications; Council Resolution 96/C 224/04 of 15 July 1996 on the transparency of vocational training certificates; and Recommendation 2001/613/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 July 2001 on mobility within the Community for students, persons undergoing training, volunteers, teachers and trainers.

More information is available at: <http://europass.cedefop.eu.int>

## Information on Professional Certificates of the Map of Qualifications and Vocational Training in Spain

