

Handling and Restraint Practicum

Student Directions

Practicum #1: Haltering cattle

A member of the local FFA Chapter has brought her steer in for Dr. Smith to examine due to a bilateral mucopurulent ocular discharge. Dr. Smith asks you to halter the animal so that it can be restrained for his examination. As you demonstrate the correct procedure for haltering the steer please explain each step in the procedure.

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Practicum #2: Cat “stretch”

Mrs. Purrdy has brought in her cat “Tiger” for his annual vaccinations. “Tiger” lives up to his name and is very difficult to handle and must be restrained in a cat “stretch” in order for the vaccinations to be administered. Please demonstrate how you would restrain “Tiger” in a “stretch” and explain each step as it is demonstrated.

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Practicum #3: Restraint for Canine Jugular Venipuncture

“Rover” has an appointment at the veterinary clinic where you work to have pre-operative blood work performed prior to his surgery tomorrow. You know that the RVT will place a cephalic catheter tomorrow prior to anesthetizing “Rover” for surgery, so you prepare to restrain “Rover” for jugular venipuncture today. Please explain the steps you will take to restrain “Rover” while you demonstrate how he will be restrained for the jugular venipuncture.

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Practicum #4: Tie Bowline Knot

Dr. Jones is making a farm call to castrate a yearling colt. After the colt is anesthetized you are ask to tie a bowline knot in the rope around the colt's neck. Please demonstrate how to tie the bowline knot.