**Applying Elizabethan Collar**

*Participant must talk through practicum steps with judge.*

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| **CRITERIA**  **Time Limit: 3 minutes** | Points  Possible | Points  Earned |
| The student chooses the correct size of E-collar for the patient.   * Student assesses patient neck size – 2 pts * Student assesses length of patient’s nose – 2 pts * Student chooses collar appropriate for diameter or neck and length of nose – 2 pts | 6 |  |
| The student correctly prepared the E-collar for placement.   * Student threads tabs through E-collar OR attaches Velcro in correct location – 3 pts * Student threads gauze or collar into E-collar OR secures excess E-collar with clear duct tape (may also cut off excess E-collar) – 3 pts | 6 |  |
| The student correctly placed the E-collar on the animal.   * Student inserts animal’s muzzle into smaller opening of collar OR places collar under muzzle – 1 pt * Student slides collar over animal’s head OR wraps collar upward around animal’s neck – 1 pt * Student avoids animal’s eyes OR simultaneously presses top and bottom of Velcro together– 2 pts * Student ensures that animal’s ears are free inside the collar – 2 pts | 6 |  |
| Placement was adequately secured so the animal could not remove the E-collar.   * Student ties gauze or fastens collar attached to E-collar OR presses on the length of the Velcro to ensure adhesion – 3 pts * Student gently tugs the collar forward to ensure it does not easily slide over animal’s head – 3 pts | 6 |  |
| The E-collar was secured such that the animal’s breathing was not restricted.   * Student rotates the collar around animal’s neck – 3 pts * Student can fit two fingers between animal’s neck and E-collar – 3 pts | 6 |  |
| **TOTAL POINTS** | **30** |  |