



Australian Government

ACMEQU220 Lunge educated horses

Release: 1

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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 5.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to perform basic ground exercising techniques involving lungeing a calm and suitably educated horse. It covers the correct fitting of lungeing equipment, caring for horses during and after exercise, and knowledge of potential safety risks when lungeing horses.

This unit applies to workers who undertake routine non-ridden horse exercise tasks under supervision. The exercise may be undertaken in yards, exercise arenas and event areas.

Commonwealth and state/territory health and safety and animal welfare legislation, regulations and codes of practice relevant to interacting with horses apply to workers in this industry. Requirements vary between industry sectors and jurisdictions.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication, except for the racing industry, where requirements vary between states and territories. Users working in the racing industry are advised to contact the relevant Principal Racing Authority for advice on current requirements.

Pre-requisite Unit

ACMEQU212 Handle horses safely

Unit Sector

Equine (EQU)

Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements	Performance Criteria
<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Prepare to lunge horse	1.1 Confirm with supervisor horse to be lunged, exercise schedule and suitable lungeing area

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	1.2 Identify hazards, assess risks and control and/or report risks prior to handling horses and starting exercise 1.3 Select and fit personal protective equipment (PPE) 1.4 Select, check and fit lunge gear and equipment according to individual horse requirements
2. Lunge a horse	2.1 Check environment, horse body language and behaviour, and confirm horse is ready to lunge 2.2 Assume correct lungeing position and progress horse safely in walk, trot and canter in both directions according to exercise program 2.3 Monitor horse and reduce intensity or stop lungeing exercise if horse displays signs of distress or injury
3. Perform post-exercise procedures	3.1 Remove gear from horse and check horse for signs of injury 3.2 Cool down, hose and groom horse after exercise according to horse requirements and workplace procedures 3.3 Record and report on horse performance and irregular horse behaviour, signs of distress or injury during and after exercise to supervisor 3.4 Check and maintain gear before storage, and report gear quality and maintenance issues to supervisor

Foundation Skills

This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria.

Skill	Description
Oral communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use active listening and questioning techniques to clarify and confirm supervisor instructions Use industry terminology to describe and report horse lungeing activities
Numeracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measure and calculate time, temperature, distance and speed

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACMEQU220 Lunge educated horses	ACMEQU210 Lunge educated horses	Prerequisite requirements changed Major changes to all sections of the unit	Not equivalent

Links

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