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# **Assessment Requirements for ACMFAR406 Work effectively in the farriery industry**

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## Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 2.0.

## Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit. There must be evidence that the individual has:

- identified requirements related to providing farriery or hoof care services on at least two different occasions
- used verbal and written communication strategies to communicate effectively on at least three different occasions
- complied with workplace health and safety and animal welfare requirements while undertaking at least two farriery tasks
- carried out at least one activity related to site hygiene and biosecurity, and one activity to improve resource usage
- assessed personal health and fitness for job role and prepared at least one strategy to avoid health risks at work
- maintained environmentally sustainable work practices and prepared at least one strategy to review resource usage.
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## Knowledge Evidence

An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:

- responsibilities of both the employer and the employee under federal and state legislation:
  - workplace health and safety
  - taxation law, superannuation and insurance requirements
  - anti-discrimination and harassment
  - animal welfare and prevention of cruelty to animals
- characteristics of equine industry sectors and farriery or hoof care services, including:
  - overview of common farriery or hoof care services in different equine sectors or disciplines
  - basic overview of the rules of racing

- how to access information on rules or protocols and roles of key personnel in equine sectors or disciplines
- roles and functions within farriery or hoof care services, including:
  - collaborating with farriers, equine specialists and veterinarians
  - providing a services for a private customer or specific event or establishment
- duty of care, confidentiality and security requirements of clients
- restrictions on advice that can be given, including:
  - administration of medications not under veterinary supervision
  - avoiding perceptions of diagnostic or treatment advice which must be given by veterinarians
  - potential consequences, including animal welfare, litigation
- workplace health and safety requirements, including:
  - managing risks when interacting with equines in the workplace
  - safe horse handling techniques
  - manual handling
  - use of personal protective equipment (PPE)
- characteristics of personal health and fitness related to job role, including:
  - posture and positions when working with equine hooves and limbs
  - core strength and physical fitness
  - vaccinations including for tetanus
  - personal hygiene and infection control
  - effects of hydration and nutrition on body
  - effects of alcohol, other drugs and medication on work performance
  - stress and resilience and basic coping strategies
- common injuries and rehabilitation requirements
- communication skills including:
  - industry terminology for farriery or hoof care services
  - common equine terminology
  - sector specific communication protocols and rules'
- issues relating to engaging in social media responsibly, including:
  - resilience and dealing with negative interactions
  - use of social media as a marketing tool
  - confidentiality and privacy of client information
- key aspects of environmental sustainability relating to farriery industry, including:
  - energy efficiency
  - recycling practices
  - safe disposal of waste
  - environmental hazards and risks associated with livestock and animal care industries
  - approaches for improving sustainability and energy efficiency for small business.

## Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
  - a workplace or environment that accurately reflects performance in a real workplace setting
- resources, equipment and materials:
  - various compliant and manageable equines requiring farriery or hoof care services, assessed as suitable for the skill and experience of the candidate
  - tools and equipment for tasks, including PPE for the individual and appropriate tack for the equine
  - workplace technology for communicating with others.

Training and assessment strategies must show evidence of the use of guidance provided in the *Companion Volume: User Guide: Safety in Equine Training*.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

## Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: - <https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103>