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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 1.0.

Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency in this unit must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria of this unit.

There must be evidence that the individual has handled, cared for and assisted at least one stallion throughout the mating process, including:

- using safe handling techniques and safe work practices to ensure safety of handlers, mares and foals
- catching, grooming, feeding and exercising stallion
- preparing teasing mare and teasing area
- handling stallion safely to ensure satisfactory mating or semen collection
- providing support to veterinarian for a range of procedures
- observing and detecting signs of disease, ill health or injury in stallion
- reporting and recording information about stallion according to workplace practices.

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:

- principles and practices for handling and caring for stallions, including:
 - stallion behaviour, body language and potential safety risks
 - common equine injury and disease that affects breeding stallions
 - procedures for monitoring stallion health
 - indicators of stallion health and welfare
 - accurate identification and recording in the mating process
 - strategies for managing efficient and well-managed stud activities to maximise conception rates and live foal outcomes
- work health and safety requirements and safe work practices:
 - safe horse handling techniques

- hazard identification, risk assessment and controls
- handling frozen semen and working with liquid nitrogen
- types and correct fit of personal protective equipment (PPE)
- duty of care for workers
- key requirements of environmental and biosecurity procedures for disposing of wastes
- workplace recording and reporting procedures.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - a workplace or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - at least one live stallion – note that stallions can be less compliant and highly reactive, and should be assessed as suitable for the experience and skill of the individual
 - various mares for mating, or dummies
 - equipment and restraints required for mating activities
 - appropriate tack for horse and activity
 - personal protective equipment (PPE) correctly fitted and applicable to activity for the individual
- specifications:
 - workplace recording and reporting forms or systems
 - work instructions or program for carrying out mating procedures.

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=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>

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