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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with the 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 developed a land use plan for managing pastures for a horse breeding operation, including:

- applying environmental protection strategies for land use and management
- determining existing and future infrastructure requirements
- determining grazing management systems consistent with horse behaviour and their nutritional needs
- determining pasture nutrient requirements
- determining soil physical characteristics and land use capability
- determining pasture maintenance arrangements.

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:

- environmental protection strategies
- grazing systems
- growth patterns and characteristics for different weeds
- pest and vermin management strategies
- effects of chemicals on plants, weeds and horses
- advantages and disadvantages of irrigation and effects on pasture nutrients
- horse behaviour in pastures
- horse nutritional requirements
- land and soil conditions
- nutrient characteristics of different soils
- pasture plant and grass species growth patterns and energy levels
- property planning processes

- roughage requirements of horses
- sustainable land management practices
- water, vegetation and soil management strategies.

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:
 - information about land conditions, horse stock and business requirements of the operation
 - operational documentation and systems to complete, and land management plan
 - technology to research and develop pasture management plan.

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

Links

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<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>

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