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Modification History

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1	AHCv1.0	Initial release

Performance Evidence

The candidate must be assessed on their ability to integrate and apply the performance requirements of this unit in a workplace setting. Performance must be demonstrated consistently over time and in a suitable range of contexts.

The candidate must provide evidence that they can:

- identify work health and safety hazards and implement safe work procedures
- use calm and humane methods to minimise undue stress and risk to horses, handlers, and livestock
- handle and prepare horses for riding
- monitor health and condition of horses
- identify signs of ill health, injury, or poor condition and administer basic treatments
- handle horse safely and humanely
- ride educated and green horses
- utilise agreed emergency procedures when riding
- educate green uneducated horses in required safety movements? (i.e. one rein stops)
- educate horses to:
- calmly carry out required movements for working stock, including stops, turns, and rollbacks
- work and control a mob of livestock as a whole
- safely handle a single beast and to return it to the mob safely
- separate a beast from a mob, as required
- calmly accept a stockwhip being used by the rider as required by workplace
- work with working dogs where required by enterprise
- prepare the horse for work
- ride and control the horse to check, muster, and move livestock as part of property operations while not compromising animal welfare
- minimise stress on horses and livestock when checking, mustering and moving livestock
- assess and monitor horse behaviour and take corrective action if required
- carry out basic hoof care and cleaning
- select and maintain saddlery and equipment
- identify common horse ailments
- develop a working relationship with the horse or horses in their care relevant to animal welfare requirements
- handle horses for routine procedures
- maintain saddlery and horse equipment

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must demonstrate knowledge of:

- common horse genders, colours, markings, and other identifying features
- horse movement and behavioural characteristics, and learning theories
- livestock behaviour and how this is utilised to minimise stress for horse and livestock
- relevant workplace procedures, industry standards, and guidelines for horse riding and riding safety (lunging riding in a yard before outside, one rein stops)
- approaches to horse education for stock work and associated learning theories
- describe basic care husbandry and management procedures for horses
- common signs of unsoundness, injury disease, work stress, or other disorders in horses
- basic anatomy and physiology of the horse
- use of horses for workplace operations
- care and maintenance of working gear
- horse conformation and work readiness or level of education
- horse handling and riding techniques
- relevant legislation and enterprise procedures, animal health and welfare, and work health and safety

Assessment Conditions

Competency is to be assessed in the workplace, OR workplace and a simulated environment that accurately reflects performance in a real workplace setting.

Assessments must be conducted using educated and green uneducated live horses and livestock in a safe environment where evidence gathered demonstrates consistent performance of typical tasks experienced in the job role.

Assessors must satisfy current standards for RTOs.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -
<https://vetnet.education.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>