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Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

AHCHBR101A Support horse work

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Modification History

Not Applicable

Unit Descriptor

Unit descriptor	This unit covers supporting horse work and defines the standard required to: apply safe work practices including animal welfare; clean housing, equipment and gear; handle and work around horses; assist with the repair and maintenance of features and prepare materials, tools and equipment for work.
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Application of the Unit

Application of the unit	This unit applies the provision of support to others undertaking the care of horses and the maintenance of horse equipment and housing.
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Licensing/Regulatory Information

Not Applicable

Pre-Requisites

Prerequisite units		

Employability Skills Information

Employability skills	This unit contains employability skills.
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Elements and Performance Criteria Pre-Content

Not Applicable

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ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

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1. Prepare materials, tools and equipment for horse work	<p>1.1. The required materials, tools and equipment are identified according to lists provided and/or supervisor's instructions.</p> <p>1.2. Checks are conducted on all materials, tools and equipment with insufficient or faulty items reported to the supervisor.</p> <p>1.3. Techniques used when loading and unloading materials demonstrate correct manual handling and minimise damage to the load and the vehicle.</p> <p>1.4. Suitable Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is selected and checked prior to use.</p> <p>1.5. Work support is provided according to Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) requirements, and according to workplace information.</p> <p>1.6. OHS hazards are identified and reported to the supervisor.</p>
2. Undertake horse work as directed	<p>2.1. Instructions and directions provided by supervisor are followed and clarification sought when necessary.</p> <p>2.2. Work is undertaken in a safe and environmentally appropriate manner according to enterprise guidelines.</p> <p>2.3. Horses are handled safely and problems referred to supervisor.</p> <p>2.4. Horses are checked for feed and water supply and signs of discomfort.</p> <p>2.5. Enterprise policy and procedures in relation to workplace practices, handling and disposal of materials is observed.</p> <p>2.6. Problems or difficulties in completing work to required standards or timelines are reported to supervisor.</p>
3. Handle materials and equipment	<p>3.1. Waste material produced during work is stored in a designated area according to supervisor's instructions.</p> <p>3.2. Materials and equipment are handled and maintained according to supervisor's instructions and enterprise guidelines.</p> <p>3.3. A clean and safe work site is maintained while working.</p>
4. Clean up on completion of work	<p>4.1. Materials are returned to store or disposed of according to supervisor's instructions.</p>

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	4.2. Tools and equipment are cleaned, maintained and stored according to manufacturer's specifications and supervisor's instructions. 4.3. Work outcomes are reported to the supervisor.

Required Skills and Knowledge

REQUIRED SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

This section describes the skills and knowledge required for this unit.

Required skills

- follow safety directions
- prepare materials, tools and equipment for work
- undertake horse work as directed
- handle materials and equipment
- clean up on completion of work
- use literacy skills to read and follow a range of basic instructions
- use oral communication skills/language competence to communicate effectively with others
- use numeracy skills to complete basic calculations
- use interpersonal skills to work with and relate to people from a range of cultural, social and religious backgrounds.

Required knowledge

- safe work practices
- horse handling techniques
- horse care
- tools and equipment
- repair and maintenance of facilities
- OHS and animal welfare legislation and enterprise procedures.

Evidence Guide

EVIDENCE GUIDE	
The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the performance criteria, required skills and knowledge, range statement and the Assessment Guidelines for the Training Package.	
Overview of assessment	
Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit	<p>The evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit must be relevant to workplace operations and satisfy holistically all of the requirements of the performance criteria and required skills and knowledge and include achievement of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • apply safe work practices including animal welfare • clean housing, equipment and gear • handle and work around horses • assist with the repair and maintenance of features • prepare materials, tools and equipment for work.
Context of and specific resources for assessment	Competency requires the application of work practices under work conditions. Selection and use of resources for some worksites may differ due to the regional or enterprise circumstances.

Range Statement

RANGE STATEMENT	
The range statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole.	
Work may include:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • assistance with selecting, catching and tying up horses • grooming and rugging horses • cleaning and maintaining stable gear • caring for horses • feeding horses • loading and unloading goods and materials • carrying out routine maintenance on buildings, roads, troughs, fences • cleaning yards, sheds, fixtures and fittings.
Tools and equipment may include:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • saddles

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ropes reins breastplates martingales bridles cruppers saddle bags headstalls saddle cloths feeders leads and rugs brushes and combs clippers bot knife scrapers soap hoof picks knives rasps pincers brushes hoof dressings.
Hazards may include:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> solar radiation dust noise air- and soil-borne micro-organisms chemicals and hazardous substances sharp hand tools and equipment manual handling holes slippery and uneven surfaces.

Unit Sector(s)

Unit sector	Horse breeding
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Co-requisite units

Co-requisite units		

Competency field

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