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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with RGR Racing and Breeding Training Package Version 2.0.

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:

- interpreted and implemented trainer's trackwork instructions, including use of aids
- exercised at least five different thoroughbred horses, over a distance of approximately 1000 metres, covering a range of paces, including:
 - half pace
 - three-quarter pace
 - even time
 - working gallop
- used appropriate techniques to control horse safely in pacework, singly and in company
- reported horse performance to trainer.

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:

- criteria for accepting rides, including:
 - rider experience
 - horse experience
- pacework riding techniques, practices and industry terminology, including:
 - common racehorse behaviour traits and responses to cues relevant to pacework
 - counting time at half pace, three-quarter pace, even time and working gallop
- range and purpose of approved gear and aids, including personal protective equipment
- trackwork rules, including racing etiquette and safe entry and exit points for relevant tracks relating to work environment
- racing industry standards and expectations relevant to exercising horses in pacework:

- communication procedures within stable and wider racing industry
- basic strategies for effective working relationships and teamwork
- racing industry animal welfare requirements
- safety requirements, including safe operating procedures.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - a training or racetrack suitable for pacework
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - a variety of thoroughbred horses assessed as suitable for experience and skill of individual
 - racing industry-approved and appropriate tack and personal protective equipment for individual, horse and pacework activity
- specifications:
 - work instructions and related workplace documentation.

Training and assessment strategies must show evidence 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=5c4b8489-f7e1-463b-81c8-6ecce6c192a0>