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# **RGRSWA303 Collect blood samples for racing animal drug testing**

**Release: 1**

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## Modification History

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

## Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to work under supervision and apply the process for the safe and secure collection of blood samples from racing animals.

The unit applies to racing personnel or other authorised persons who are required to collect blood samples from racing greyhounds or horses under supervision as part of their job role, in work environments of racing administration-approved sample collection facilities that may include racecourses, kennels or stable premises.

No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this qualification at the time of publication.

## Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

## Unit Sector

Swabbing (SWA)

## Elements and Performance Criteria

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<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Plan for blood collection from greyhounds or horses	1.1 Confirm process for selecting greyhounds or horses with stewards 1.2 Confirm collecting area is prepared and equipment is provided 1.3 Secure collecting area and equipment according to procedures 1.4 Identify animals nominated for blood collection and escort to

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	collecting area following safe animal handling practices
2. Collect blood samples from greyhounds or horses	2.1 Explain collection procedures and rights and obligations to nominated witness 2.2 Employ techniques for handling greyhounds or horses to ensure safety of animals, self and others 2.3 Prepare animals for blood collection 2.4 Follow safe blood collection procedures and protocols 2.5 Maintain chain of custody of sampling equipment, documentation and samples 2.6 Follow swab documentation, packaging, security and shipping protocols 2.7 Manage disposal of sharps to ensure safety of self and others
3. Document and provide information on swabbing procedure to relevant parties	3.1 Complete and file swab documentation 3.2 Justify and document alterations to standard collection procedures 3.3 Document incidents that occurred during collection procedure, and report to stewards

## Foundation Skills

*This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria.*

<b>Skill</b>	<b>Description</b>
Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interpret blood sampling procedures and other documentation and consolidate information to ensure compliance</li> </ul>
Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accurately record and complete required blood sampling documentation using clear language and correct terminology</li> </ul>
Numeracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use volumetric measurements to take and report on blood samples</li> </ul>
Oral communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effectively participate in verbal exchanges using active listening and questioning and reading of verbal and non-verbal signals to convey and clarify information with racing officials and witnesses</li> </ul>
Navigate the world of	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take responsibility for following rules of racing, racetrack policies</li> </ul>

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work	and procedures and legislative requirements relating to job role
Interact with others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow racing industry communication protocols with stewards, racing officials, and licensed and registered personnel</li> <li>Cooperate with others and contribute to work practices where joint outcomes are expected and deadlines are to be met</li> </ul>
Get the work done	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make routine decisions and implement standard procedures for collecting blood samples, using formal decision-making processes for more complex and non-routine situations</li> <li>Address less predictable problems and initiate standard procedures in response, applying problem-solving processes in determining solutions</li> </ul>

## Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
RGRSWA303 Collect blood samples for racing animal drug testing	RGRSWA303A Collect blood samples for racing animal drug testing	Updated to meet Standards for Training Packages. Minor changes to performance criteria for clarity.	Equivalent unit

## Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: - <https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=5c4b8489-f7e1-463b-81c8-6ecce6c192a0>