



Australian Government

ACMFAR301 Handle equines safely during farriery services

Release: 1

ACMFAR301 Handle equines safely during farriery services

Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 1.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to identify and assess equine behaviour and catch and control equines for farriery work.

The unit applies to individuals who have a moderate level of experience in handling equines and who use specialised knowledge and technical skills to perform farriery services across different equine industry sectors.

No occupational licensing or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Work health and safety and animal welfare legislation relevant to interacting with horses applies to workers in this industry. Requirements vary between industry sectors and state/territory jurisdictions. Users are advised to check with the relevant authority for specific requirements.

NOTE: The terms 'occupational health and safety' (OHS) and 'work health and safety' (WHS) generally have the same meaning in the workplace. In jurisdictions where the national model WHS legislation has not been implemented, RTOs must contextualise the unit of competency by referring to current OHS legislative requirements.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Farriery (FAR)

Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements	Performance Criteria
----------	----------------------

<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Assess equine behaviours and level of education before handling	1.1 Assess hazards and potential risks to self, others and the equine, and take steps to minimise 1.2 Identify and respond to equine behaviour using senses, instinct and equine communication methods 1.3 Determine the level of education of the equine 1.4 Observe equine to identify factors that cause the equine's behaviour to change 1.5 Proceed with farriery services after considering equine behaviour and level of education
2. Identify, catch and control an equine	2.1 Identify and isolate the equine using safe handling techniques 2.2 Use gear for catching, handling and controlling equines 2.3 Create and maintain a calm and reassuring climate for the equine 2.4 Catch, handle, control and restrain the equine safely
3. Control an equine	3.1 Select appropriate restraining devices 3.2 Identify, minimise and respond to nervous behaviours 3.3 Take evasive or humane corrective action and warn others of risk when any adverse reaction from an equine is anticipated

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.

Skill	Description
Navigate the world of work	Follow workplace procedures, including work health and safety, and animal welfare requirements, relating to own role and work area
Interact with others	Work cooperatively with others using clear communication techniques to support achievement of work outcomes
Get the work	Assemble resources and follow clearly defined instructions to approach, catch, lead and handle equines safely

Skill	Description
done	Make decisions about safety risks and take action to control risks within own work area or role

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACMFAR301 Handle equines safely during farriery services	ACMFAR301A Handle horses safely in the provision of farriery services	Updated to meet Standards for Training Packages Use of the term equine instead of horse to reflect scope of work	Equivalent unit

Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: - <https://vetnet.education.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103>