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Modification History

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

Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.

There must be evidence that the individual assessed the condition of the foot to develop appropriate foot care and shoeing plans for at least three equines, including:

- providing advice on routine and preventative hoof care
- providing non-veterinarian equine health care for common ailments
- applying disease and ailment prevention procedures, including isolation and quarantine principles.

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:

- principles and practices for determining foot care and shoeing plans:
 - general anatomy of equines relevant to farriery care
 - anatomical features of the lower limb and foot of equines and applicable biomechanical functions
 - types and features of gait, conformation and way-of-going
 - functions of the foot
 - features of ideal and problematic feet
 - symptoms of malformation, injury and disease
 - routine and preventative foot care
 - features of shoeing plans
- non-veterinarian treatments provided by a farrier
- biosecurity principles and practices, including:
 - isolation and quarantine
 - hygienic practices to avoid transmission of disease

- notifiable diseases and processes to be followed
- key principles of animal welfare legislation as applied to farriery services
- work health and safety (WHS) requirements and safe work practices, including:
 - identifying hazards and assessing and controlling risks
 - manual handling
 - using personal protective equipment (PPE)
 - safe zones and equine handling techniques.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - a workplace or simulated environment that accurately reflects performance in a real workplace setting
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - various healthy, compliant and manageable equines, assessed as suitable for the skill and experience of the individual, or appropriate simulations
 - measuring and recording tools
 - personal protective equipment (PPE) correctly fitted and applicable to activities for individual.

Training and assessment strategies must show evidence of the use 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.education.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103>