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ACMHBR302 Carry out basic hoof care procedures

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Modification History

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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 maintain horse hooves in premium condition.

The unit applies to individuals who work under broad direction and take responsibility for their own work. They complete routine activities and work in a range of known contexts within horse breeding and other horse industry environments.

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

Prerequisite unit of competency for this unit is:

- ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely.

Note the following chain of prerequisites that also applies to this unit.

Unit of competency	Prerequisite requirement
ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely	ACMEQU205 Apply knowledge of horse behaviour

Unit Sector

Horse Breeding (HBR)

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. Prepare to perform hoof care on horses	1.1 Interpret work instructions and confirm with management 1.2 Identify organisational requirements for the care and handling of horses according to animal health and welfare, and work health and safety (WHS) requirements 1.3 Hold discussions with other workers to ensure smooth operation of the process 1.4 Identify work health and safety (WHS) hazards while handling horses, assess risks and implement suitable controls 1.5 Select, check and maintain work tools and equipment
2. Provide hoof care to horse	2.1 Select basic farriery tools and personal protective equipment (PPE) appropriate for task 2.2 Lift horse feet, check health and condition, and pick and clean hooves according to set leg routines 2.3 Hold legs and present hoof 2.4 Provide basic hoof care, including administration of hoof treatment medications
3. Complete maintenance and administration	3.1 Clean equipment according to organisational procedures 3.2 Clean and store attachments and other equipment 3.3 Dispose of all containers, leftover fluids, waste and debris safely, according to environmental and organisational requirements 3.4 Record and document hoof care procedures for horses

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
Reading	Interpret information in written work program and instructions
Writing	Record information relating to hoof care undertaken in the workplace accurately and legibly
Numeracy	Estimate, calculate and record routine measures relating to basic hoof care
Oral communication	- Use active listening and questioning techniques to clarify and confirm instructions and requirements - Use clear language, correct concepts and industry terminology to ensure clarity of meaning when reporting information and requesting assistance
Navigate the world of work	Take responsibility for following workplace procedures, including safe work, safe horse handling practices, and animal welfare requirements, in own role and work area
Interact with others	Work cooperatively with a range of personnel in different roles, using clear communication techniques to carry out basic hoof procedures
Get the work done	- Plan and sequence tasks and assemble equipment to achieve outcomes - Make decisions about routine hoof care activities, taking responsibility for actions taken

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACMHBR302 Carry out basic hoof care procedures	AHCHBR302A Carry out basic hoof care procedures	Updated to meet Standards for Training Packages Edits to clarify intent of unit. Element 3 deleted Additional prerequisite requirements	No equivalent unit

Links

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Assessment Requirements for ACMHBR302 Carry out basic hoof care procedures

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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 carried out basic hoof procedures on at least two compliant and manageable horses, including:

- identifying hazards, assessing risks and implementing suitable controls related to hoof procedures
- checking horse body language and behaviour prior to handling each horse, as part of risk assessment
- handling and restraining each horse safely for hoof procedures working around them in a firm, calm and unhurried manner
- using and maintaining farriery tools and personal protective equipment (PPE) to perform basic hoof care
- providing basic hoof care for each horse, including administration of hoof treatment medications
- completing maintenance and administrative requirements.

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:

- types and purpose of items of farriery equipment
- hoof care procedures
- hoof injuries
- hygiene practices and awareness
- structure of the hoof and associated problems
- common horse behaviour and reactions to hoof care
- safe work practices:
 - safe horse handling techniques
 - hazard and risk identification and minimisation

- key requirements of work health and safety legislation
- types and purpose of personal protective equipment (PPE).

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - a workplace or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - various compliant and manageable horses requiring basic foot care, assessed as suitable for the experience and skill of the individual
 - appropriate tack for horse and activity
 - farrier equipment and materials
 - personal protective equipment (PPE) correctly fitted and applicable to tasks for individual
 - workplace recording and reporting forms or systems
- specifications:
 - work instructions or program for carrying out basic hoof procedures.

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.

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