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# **Assessment Requirements for ACMHBR310 Prevent and treat equine injury and disease**

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## Modification History

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

## 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 implemented disease or injury prevention measures including performing each of the following points at least once:

- performing stable hygiene practices procedures
- disease and ailment prevention procedures
- quarantine procedures.

There must also be evidence that the individual has treated equine injury or disease for at least two horses including:

- assessing and recording vital signs of horses, including temperature, pulse, respiration and capillary refill
- handling and restraining horses for observation and treatment
- detecting and reporting signs of common ailments, ill health and injury
- treating equine injury and disease according to instructions.

When performing all of the above points there must be evidence that the individual has:

- assessed and controlled risks handling horses and in work area
- handled horses safely and ethically in a firm but calm, gentle and unhurried manner
- completed horse health and medication records in accordance with 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 signs of common horse injuries
- types and signs of common ailments that affect horses

- indicators that can be used to assess horse health
- signs and symptoms of:
  - abnormal or depressed appetite
  - life threatening conditions
- range of treatments that must be applied under veterinary supervision
- common horse behavioural problems
- safe and ethical horse handling techniques and restraints
- animal health and welfare principles and practices
- hygiene and environmental practices relevant to maintaining healthy horse environments
- work health and safety practices:
  - assessing and controlling risks
  - use of personal protective equipment
  - safe horse handling techniques
  - safe areas to carry out procedures.

## 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 assessed as suitable for the experience and skill of the individual
  - materials and equipment for treating horses
  - appropriate tack for individual, horse and activity
  - personal protective equipment (PPE) correctly fitted and applicable to activity for the individual
- specifications:
  - work instructions and treatment and prevention program for individual horses
  - workplace recording or reporting forms.

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.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>

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