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Modification History

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Release 1	This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Release 11.0.

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 has safely ridden at least two different calm, consistent and obedient horses educated for stock work to carry out at least three assigned jobs involving riding horses for basic stock work duties. For each job there must be evidence that the individual has:

- followed relevant workplace health and safety and environment and biosecurity legislation, regulations and workplace procedures
- followed relevant animal welfare practices
- prepared for the job by:
 - selecting suitable saddlery and equipment
 - identifying the assigned horse by gender, colour markings and brands
 - catching assigned horse and checking for health, injury and soundness
 - communicating with supervisor to discuss concerns and suitability of horse for the assigned job
- handled horse safely and humanely during job, including:
 - safely and correctly fitting, then checking and adjusting working gear to suit individual horse
 - mounting horse safely
 - riding and controlling horse, at a walk, trot and canter, to perform basic stock work duties
 - minimising stress of livestock when checking, mustering and moving livestock
 - dismounting horse safely
- completed post-ride activities, including:
 - cleaning, feeding and watering horse
 - checking horse for health, injury and soundness
 - checking, cleaning and maintaining tack

- completing records as required by workplace.

There must be evidence that the individual has monitored the condition of at least one horse, which may be one of the above-mentioned horses, including:

- identifying signs of ill health, injury or poor condition, and reporting to supervisor
- safely and humanely administering basic treatments under supervision
- carrying out basic hoof care and cleaning safely and humanely.

Knowledge Evidence

An individual must be able to demonstrate knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:

- workplace requirements applicable to health and safety in the workplace for riding educated horses to carry out basic stock work, including appropriate use of personal protective equipment (PPE)
- environment and biosecurity legislation and regulations and workplace practices relevant to riding educated horses to carry out basic stock work
- basic pre-activity risk assessment for basic stock work
- common horse gender, colours, markings and other identifying features
- common basic features of horse behaviour and psychology
- the features of livestock behaviour and how this is utilised to minimise stress for horse and livestock
- relevant workplace procedures, industry standards and guidelines for horse riding and riding safety, including lungeing, leading out or riding in a yard before outside and one-rein stops
- basic care and husbandry, and procedures for horses
- the common signs of disease or injury in horses, basic anatomy and physiology of the horse
- the use of horses for workplace operations
- care and maintenance of working gear
- animal welfare practices relevant to riding educated horses to carry out basic stock work.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - a workplace setting or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions, including livestock handling yards and paddocks
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - various live, calm, consistent and obedient horses educated for stock work and assessed as suitable for the experience and skill of the individual
 - livestock to muster, move and check
 - working gear, including tack for individual, horse and activity

- PPE applicable to riding educated horses for basic livestock work
- specifications:
 - work instructions and procedures for carrying out basic stock work
 - workplace requirements applicable to health and safety in the workplace for riding educated horses to carry out basic stock work
 - environment and biosecurity legislation and regulations and workplace practices applicable to riding educated horses to carry out basic stock work
 - legislation, regulations, standards, guidelines and procedures for animal welfare applicable to riding educated horses to carry out basic stock work
- relationships:
 - supervisor
- time frames:
 - according to job requirements.

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>