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RGRPSH102 Perform basic stable duties

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Modification History

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Release 1	This version released with RGR Racing and Breeding Training Package Version 2.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to work with well-educated, calm, consistent and compliant horses to clean and maintain the stable environment, feed and water horses, identify and use basic grooming equipment, and recognise signs of healthy and unhealthy horses as well as common illnesses and injuries in horses.

The unit applies to individuals who carry out basic, routine stable duties under supervision in the racing industry harness or thoroughbred codes.

All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, in accordance with applicable state/territory animal welfare and workplace health and safety legislative requirements.

Licensing, legislative, regulatory or certification requirements apply to this unit. Users are advised to check with the relevant Principal Racing Authority (PRA) for current requirements.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Performance services horse (PSH)

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. Perform basic stable maintenance duties	1.1 Identify and maintain stable facilities according to stable routine 1.2 Select stable and yard cleaning equipment, including personal protective equipment, according to task

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	1.3 Clean bedding and box following stable procedures 1.4 Identify workplace hazards and report to stable supervisor
2. Feed and water horses	2.1 Identify and assess quality of common feeds, and report contaminated feed to stable supervisor 2.2 Prepare feed and water for stable and/or yard 2.3 Provide feed in a safe manner, following safe horse handling and stable procedures
3. Apply basic grooming practices	3.1 Identify types and functions of grooming equipment items and select for specific grooming purpose 3.2 Tie up horses and groom according to instructions, using safe horse handling techniques 3.3 Check horses for external parasites, fungi, injuries and other abnormalities and report to supervisor according to stable procedures 3.4 Clean grooming equipment after use according to workplace practices
4. Contribute to monitoring health and welfare of horses	4.1 Apply principles of animal welfare when working with horses 4.2 Observe and identify signs of healthy and unhealthy horses 4.3 Identify and report signs of common illnesses and injuries in horses according to workplace practices

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 signage and key information in stable routines
Numeracy	Measure quantities of feed accurately
Oral communication	Use active listening and questioning skills to clarify and confirm supervisor instructions
Navigate the world of	Follow stable procedures and industry requirements relating to

Skill	Description
work	safety and animal welfare
Interact with others	Cooperate and support others in the performance of basic stable duties
Get the work done	Follow instructions and safe operating procedures to complete duties in designated timeframes

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
RGRPSH102 Perform basic stable duties	RGRPSH102A Perform basic stable duties	Updated to meet Standards for Training Packages.	Equivalent unit

Links

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Assessment Requirements for RGRPSH102 Perform basic stable duties

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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 stable duties working with well-educated, calm, consistent and compliant horses on at least three occasions, including:

- applied safe work practices when performing basic stable duties, including:
 - identifying and reporting hazards and risks relating to tasks
 - using personal protective equipment
- performed basic stable cleaning and maintenance duties
- provided feed and water to horses
- carried out basic grooming of horses
- contributed to monitoring horse health and welfare, including observing signs of illness, injury and disease
- reported problems promptly.

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:

- industry terminology related to following instructions in performing basic stable duties
- layout of stable facilities and location of equipment
- bedding types and use
- horse feeds, including indicators of quality and contaminated feeds
- types and purpose of grooming equipment
- checking procedures and basic indicators of external parasites, fungi, injuries, common illnesses and other abnormalities
- stable procedures for:
 - seeking information, advice or assistance
 - cleaning

- feeding
- grooming
- principles of safe work practices, including:
 - safe horse handling skills
 - hazard identification and risk assessment
- racing industry animal welfare requirements for ethical and humane treatment of animals.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - a stable and safe handling areas
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - various well-educated, calm, consistent and compliant horses
 - horse grooming equipment
 - feed and feeding equipment
 - cleaning equipment and materials
 - personal protective equipment correctly fitted and appropriate for activity for individual
- specifications:
 - work instructions and stable procedures and routine.

Assessors of this unit must:

- carry out a risk assessment of the individual's characteristics, experience and level of horse handling skills to ensure that handler and horse combination is safe.

Training and assessment strategies must show evidence 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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