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## Modification History

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

## 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 worked with at least two individuals, over a minimum of two occasions, to carry out safe horse catching and handling procedures, including for each occasion:

- evaluated risks associated with catching and handling horses
- assessed capabilities of each individual to perform specific tasks
- gave clear instructions about safe operating procedures and safe horse handling techniques
- provided opportunities for staff to practice skills development for:
  - catching, leading and handling horses
  - leading and handling horses in enclosed spaces
  - using different items of handling gear appropriate to horse catching and handling activities
- supported and assisted individuals in catching and handling horses safely.

## 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 of safe horse handling:
  - safe handling techniques for horses
  - industry terminology related to handling horses
  - common horse behaviour, body language and social traits
- safe work practices for matching individuals to activities involving interactions with horses:
  - assessing horse suitability for handlers
- gear and equipment:

- types of personal protective equipment and purpose of using appropriate personal protective equipment
- range and purpose of gear for catching and handling horses safely
- demonstration techniques for use of gear and equipment and safe horse catching and handling
- basic strategies for staff management or supervision, including features of effective teamwork
- racing industry standards and expectations relevant to supervising handling of horses:
  - racing industry animal welfare requirements
  - racing industry safety requirements, including safe operating procedures.

## Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
  - a racing workplace or an environment that accurately reflects performance in a real workplace setting
- resources, equipment and materials:
  - various standardbred or thoroughbred horses
  - staff or other individuals to supervise in activity
  - appropriate personal protective equipment, gear and equipment for individual, horse and activity
- specifications:
  - instructions and workplace procedures for safe horse handling and animal welfare
- relationships:
  - at least two individuals to supervise.

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.

## Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet - <https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=5c4b8489-f7e1-463b-81c8-6ecce6c192a0>