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Modification History

Release	Comments
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 assisted with at least three harness race starts, including for each:

- assessed risks associated with race start activities, including:
 - removing or reporting hazards on track
 - checking track for safety
 - reporting damaged equipment
- used safe horse handling techniques and work practices to handle, capture, hold and restrain horses
- responded to instructions and relayed information to stewards, racing personnel, and co-workers promptly and safely
- responded to track incidents or emergencies or demonstrated appropriate responses to at least three realistic scenarios.

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:

- responsibilities associated with own role, including:
 - personal grooming and presentation requirements
 - basic industry terminology related to harness racing
 - relevant rules of racing for harness starts
- racing industry animal welfare principles and requirements relevant to harness racing
- protocols and procedures for communicating with licensed and other racing industry personnel, including reporting requirements for irregularities and problems
- racing industry safety requirements, including:
 - hazard identification and risk control

- personal protective equipment
- safe operating procedures
- dealing with incidents and emergencies
- safe methods of handling and controlling horses
- awareness of horse behaviour traits, body language and other signals.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - a racetrack or a racetrack environment that accurately reflects performance in a real workplace setting
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - standardbred horses
 - equipment and gear to perform duties
 - racing industry-approved personal protective equipment, correctly fitted and appropriate for activity for individual
- relationships (internal and/or external):
 - starter or steward for instructions.

Training and assessment strategies must show evidence of the use of guidance on risk assessment and matching individuals and horses 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>