

FIELD AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES**Review of *Equine* unit standards**

Subfield	Domain	Id
Equine	Equine Care	1623, 1624, 1636,1648, 1650, 1656, 6578, 6611, 6612, 6617, 14590, 19460, 19461
	Equine Health	1651, 1654, 19949
	Equine Industry	1658
	Equine Training	1660, 6620, 19945
	Equitation	1618
	Saddlery	1662, 6579

The NZ Equine Industry Training Organisation has completed the review of the unit standards listed above.

Date new versions published

April 2008

Planned review date

December 2013

Summary of review and consultation process

A review of the equine unit standards listed above was required to determine whether the standards remained fit for purpose. The NZ Equine Industry Training Organisation consulted stakeholders, namely industry, sector and moderation groups, and accredited providers, seeking feedback on the effectiveness of unit standards common to all sectors. An Editorial Committee comprising representatives from harness racing, thoroughbred trainers, breeding sector, equestrian sector, industry tutors, and accredited providers met on 20th June 2007 to consider all submissions.

The review was carried out to ensure that the standards were consistent with industry practices and to draw upon the practical experience gained from assessing and training trainees against the unit standards. The review was also aimed at improving the clarity of the unit standards and removing inconsistencies.

Main changes resulting from the review

- Changes made to ranges to clarify the parameters for assessment and to reflect individual sector practices.
- 'Stable procedures' replaced 'in-house procedures' for consistency across standards.
- Order of elements and performance criteria altered in some unit standards to reflect hierarchy and/or sequence of learning.
- Elements added in some unit standards to better reflect requirements of unit standards.
- Performance criteria altered to better meet element requirements.
- Titles of unit standards 1650, 1651, 1654, and 6612 amended to better reflect standards content or to improve punctuation.
- Level of unit standard 6620 increased to better reflect the outcome.
- Credits of unit standards 1654 and 19460 increased to better reflect learning time.
- Special notes updated.
- Some entry requirements amended to provide greater flexibility in planning learning.

Impact on existing provider accreditations

Current Accreditation for			Accreditation extended to		
Nature of accreditation	Classification	Level	Nature of accreditation	Id	Level
Domain	Equine Training	3	Standard	6620	4

Impact on Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP)

None.

Impact on existing qualifications

Qualifications that contain the reviewed standards or classifications are tabled below.

Affected	The qualification lists a reviewed classification (domain or subfield) in an elective set The qualification lists a standard that has changes to level or credits The qualification lists a C or D category standard
Not materially affected	The qualification lists a standard that has a new title The qualification lists a standard that has a new classification

The following NZ Equine Industry Training Organisation qualifications are affected by the outcome of this review and will be revised/reviewed in 2008. Unit standards that generated the affected status are in **bold**.

Qualification title	Standard in the qualification
National Certificate in Equine (Level 4) with strands in Breeding, Harness Racing, Sporthorse, and Thoroughbred Racing [Ref: 0216]	1650, 1651, 1654 , 6612, 19460
National Certificate in Equine (Stable Practice) (Level 3) with strands in Harness Racing, Sporthorse, Thoroughbred Racing, and Track Racing [Ref: 0654]	1650, 1651, 1654 , 6612, 19460
National Certificate in Equine (Grade 1 Coaching) (Level 4) [Ref: 0656]	1654
National Certificate in Equine (Racing Stable Management) (Level 4) [Ref: 0794]	1651, 1654
National Certificate in Equine (Thoroughbred Breeding) (Level 4) [Ref: 1070]	1650, 1651, 1654 , 6612, 19460

The following NZ Equine Industry Training Organisation qualifications are not materially affected by the changes. They will be updated when they are next reviewed.

Qualification title	Standard in the qualification
National Certificate in Equine (Introductory Skills) (Level 2) [Ref: 0215]	1650, 1651, 6612
National Certificate in Equine (Farriery) (Level 4) [Ref: 0217]	1651
National Certificate in Equine (Community Coach) (Level 3) [Ref: 0655]	1650, 1651, 6612
National Certificate in Equine (RDA Coach) (Level 5) [Ref: 0715]	1650, 1651, 6612
National Certificate in Equine (Basic Farriery) (Level 3) [Ref: 1091]	1651

The following qualification is also affected by the outcome of this review. The standard setting body (SSB) has been advised that it requires revision. The unit standard that generated the affected status is in **bold**.

Qualification title	Standard in the qualification	SSB Name
National Certificate Horse Trek Guiding with and optional strand in Multiday Horse Trek Guiding [Ref: 0844]	1650, 1654 , 6612	Aviation, Tourism and Travel Training Organisation

Review Categories and changes to classification, title, level, and credits

All changes are in **bold**.

Key to review category

- A** Dates changed, but no other changes are made - the new version of the standard carries the same Id and a new version number
- B** Changes made, but the overall outcome remains the same - the new version of the standard carries the same Id and a new version number
- C** Major changes that necessitate the registration of a replacement standard with a new Id
- D** Standard will expire and not be replaced

Subfield Equine
Domain Equine Care

Id	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
1623	Prepare a horse for show	2	3	B
1624	Care for a horse's paddock, and horses in a paddock	3	6	B
1636	Receive and despatch horses	2	2	B
1648	Clean stables	2	2	B
1650	Prepare a horse for travel by land, load and unload Prepare a horse for travel by road, and load and unload	2	4	B
1656	Groom a horse	2	2	B
6578	Care for stabled horses	4	8	B
6611	Demonstrate knowledge of the procedure for bringing a horse into work after a spell and letting down	3	4	B
6612	Identify plants and trees which are potentially poisonous to horses, and describe methods of removal Identify plants, grasses, and trees which are potentially poisonous to horses, and describe methods of removal	3	3	B
6617	Assess stable design and construction	3	3	B
14590	Demonstrate knowledge of preparing and attending to horses when transported by air	2	2	B
19460	Maintain and repair equine fencing	2	3 4	B
19461	Demonstrate knowledge of pasture production methods for an equine establishment	3	3	B

Domain Equine Health

Id	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
1651	Recognise signs of good health, ill health, common ailments and lameness in horses Recognise signs of good health, ill health, common ailments, and lameness in horses	3	8	B
1654	Deal with an emergency situation, assist veterinarian and provide ongoing care for a horse Deal with an emergency situation, assist veterinarian, and provide ongoing care for a horse	4	5 8	B
19949	Identify basic components and functions, and common problems of horses' body systems	2	3	B

Domain Equine Industry

Id	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
1658	Demonstrate knowledge of the nature and requirements of a career in the equine industry	1	3	B

Domain Equine Training

Id	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
1660	Identify, catch, and prepare a horse for exercise	2	4	B
6620	Demonstrate knowledge of the conditioning and feeding requirements of horses for specific activities	3 4	7	B
19945	Lunge a horse for exercise	2	4	B

Domain Equitation

Id	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
1618	Ride a horse for exercise	2	2	B

Domain Saddlery

Id	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
1662	Select and fit gear on a horse for riding	4	6	B
6579	Clean and maintain saddlery for horses	2	2	B