

## Field **Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries**

### Review of *Equine* unit standards

Subfield	Domain	ID
Equine	Equine Industry	29176, 29177
	Equine Training	1663
	Harness Racing	1599, 23969, 23971, 29178, 32879, 32880

Muka Tangata – People, Food and Fibre Workforce Development Council has completed the review of the unit standards listed above.

**Date new versions published**

**March 2023**

**Planned review date**

**December 2026**

### Summary

The review commenced in late October 2022 to check and update the above listed unit standards to meet current racing industry requirements. A working group, including racing industry stakeholders, and the only provider who is currently assessing against the unit standards, was convened to discuss the content of these unit standards.

A further meeting, including the Muka Tangata WDC - Mātanga Tohu Aro Whānui – Qualifications and Standards Advisor Māori, was convened to ensure the requirements for te ao Māori were reflected. These requirements were further discussed with relevant internal and external partners who also agreed to include this in the unit standards. A statement was added to the Guidance Information in all unit standards to ensure requirements for te ao Māori were embedded across all outcomes.

Unit standards were out for wider consultation with stakeholders in the racing industry between late December 2022 and January 2023. Minor changes were received and incorporated in consultation with the working group.

### Main changes

- Statement on te ao Māori was included in all unit standards in Guidance Information.
- Minor changes were made to unit standards 23971, 29178, and 32879 to reflect current industry requirements.
- Minor changes were made to unit standard 1599 and the credits were increased from 25 to 30 to more accurately reflect time taken to learn and be assessed against the outcomes.
- Minor changes were made to unit standard 23969 and the credits were reduced from 35 to 30 to more accurately reflect time taken to learn and be assessed against the outcomes.
- The title was amended for unit standard 1663 to more accurately reflect content.
- Outcome Two of unit standard 29176 was split into two outcomes to clarify requirements.
- The title of unit standard 32879 was amended to more accurately reflect content, and credits were increased from 6 to 10 to more accurately reflect time taken to learn and be assessed against the outcomes.
- Changes were made to the content of unit standard 32880 and its title was amended to reflect amended content.

**The last date for assessment of superseded versions of Category B unit standards is December 2025.**

**Detailed list of unit standards – classification, title, level, and credits**

All changes are in **bold**.

<b>Key to review category</b>	
<b>A</b>	Dates changed, but no other changes are made - the new version of the standard carries the same ID and a new version number
<b>B</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
<b>C</b>	Major changes that necessitate the registration of a replacement standard with a new ID
<b>D</b>	Standard will expire and not be replaced

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<b>ID</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Credit</b>	<b>Review Category</b>
29176	Communicate with internal and external clients, and seek raceday rides or drives	4	10	B
29177	Manage personal finances for racing purposes	4	10	B

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<b>ID</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Credit</b>	<b>Review Category</b>
1663	Prepare a horse for a specific event <b>Prepare, implement and monitor a horse's training programme for a specific event</b>	4	25	B

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<b>ID</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Credit</b>	<b>Review Category</b>
1599	Prepare, gear up, and drive a standardbred horse on raceday	4	25 <b>30</b>	B
23969	Gear up and drive a standardbred horse at racing workouts and trials	4	35 <b>30</b>	B
23971	Describe the application of the New Zealand Rules of Harness Racing and Regulations for racing personnel and horses	4	10	B
29178	Prepare, implement, and monitor the care of standardbred horses in training <b>Prepare, implement, and monitor a plan for the care of standardbred horses in training</b>	4	20	B
32879	Describe the harness racing industry, associated roles and responsibilities, and the Rules of Harness Racing <b>Describe the harness racing industry and the Rules and Regulations of Harness Racing</b>	4	6 <b>10</b>	B
32880	Educate, and break and gait a standardbred horse to harness <b>Educate, and break and gait a standardbred horse to trials stage</b>	4	15	B