

Title	Demonstrate knowledge of preparing and attending to horses when transported by air		
Level	2	Credits	2

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to describe: pre-flight procedures for preparing a horse for air transportation; loading procedures, and in-flight requirements of the horse; and the care of the horse after the flight.
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Classification	Equine > Equine Care
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

Legislation and codes relevant to this unit standard include but are not limited to: the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, and its subsequent amendments; the *Code of Practice for the Use of Prescription Animal Remedies by Grooms Travelling With Horses by Air or Sea*, The New Zealand Veterinary Association, PO Box 11-212, Wellington, 04 471 0484; and the *Code of Recommendations and Minimum Standards for the Welfare of Horses* (Wellington: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, 1993) or available at <http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/animal-welfare/codes/horses/index.htm>.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe pre-flight procedures for preparing a horse for air transportation.

Performance criteria

1.1 Description identifies horse records required when transporting the horse.

Range may include but is not limited to – identification, blood test results, X-rays, vaccination records.

1.2 Description identifies health requirements for the intended destination.

Range may include but is not limited to – worming, vaccination, external parasites.

- 1.3 Description identifies pre-conditioning requirements for flight conditions.
- Range may include but is not limited to – confined space, drinking out of a bucket, electrolyte mixtures, balanced supplementary feed, rested, laxative diet, healthy.
- 1.4 Description identifies protective gear to prevent injuries during travel.
- Range may include but is not limited to – knees, shins, tendons, feet, coronet, fetlock, shoeing requirements.

Outcome 2

Describe loading procedures, and in-flight requirements of the horse.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Description of methods to load a difficult horse identifies the situations where these should be implemented.
- Range methods include but are not limited to – tail rope, twitch, blindfold, holding tail.
- 2.2 Description identifies the horse's individual requirements according to the length of the journey.
- Range may include but is not limited to – bedding, feeding, water, electrolytes, cabin temperature.
- 2.3 Description identifies measures designed to reduce stress and prevent panic.
- Range includes but is not limited to – loading, take off, landing.
- 2.4 Description identifies the application and effect of tranquillisers used to subdue horses during travel.

Outcome 3

Describe the care of the horse after the flight.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Description identifies physical or psychological problems that can occur after flight and possible remedial actions.
- Range may include but is not limited to – injury, ill health, nervousness, fear.
- 3.2 Description identifies feeds which prevent binding up, and the procedures to be implemented if the horse becomes bound up after flight.

- 3.3 Description identifies the desirable qualities of a paddock or stabling conditions for the horse after flight.

Replacement information	This unit standard replaced unit standard 1664.
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This unit standard is expiring. Assessment against the standard must take place by the last date for assessment set out below.

Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

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