

<b>Title</b>	<b>Remove and replace a shoe on a horse</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>6</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	<p>This unit standard is for people involved with training horses where 'first aid shoeing' is used to enable the horse to continue until qualified help arrives.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to: prepare a horse and remove a shoe; assess a hoof and replace a shoe on a horse; and attend to post-shoeing activities.</p>
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<b>Classification</b>	Equine > Equine Care
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<b>Available grade</b>	Achieved
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### Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation and code of welfare relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to:
  - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
  - Code of Welfare: Horses and Donkeys 2018, available at <http://www.mpi.govt.nz>; and any subsequent amendments.
- 2 Definition
 

*Workplace procedures* – the procedures and standards set by the client or employing organisation. Workplace procedures should reflect equipment manufacturer's requirements, and current legislation.
- 3 For the purposes of assessment:
  - evidence must be presented in accordance with workplace procedures.
  - assessment for the practical components of this unit standard must be supplied from a commercial horse enterprise or recognised voluntary equine organisation.

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### Outcomes and performance criteria

#### Outcome 1

Prepare a horse and remove a shoe.

**Performance criteria**

- 1.1 Assemble shoeing equipment.
- Range may include but is not limited to – hoof knife, rasp, shoe puller, nail puller, clinches, hammer, nails.
- 1.2 Restrain the horse in a calm and comfortable position while standing.
- 1.3 Pick up the horse's foot and hold in a position comfortable for the horse and handler.
- 1.4 Remove the shoe and nails without causing damage to hoof.
- 1.5 Clean the underside of the hoof to remove foreign matter and replace the foot on the ground without damage to the hoof.

**Outcome 2**

Assess a hoof and replace a shoe on a horse.

Range temporary until a farrier arrives.

**Performance criteria**

- 2.1 Identify hoof problems in terms of probable cause and remedial action.
- Range four of – stone bruise, punctured sole, thrush, cracked heels, mud fever, sandcracks, corns, seedy toe, pricked foot.
- 2.2 Assess hoof damage to determine viability of replacing shoe.
- 2.3 Shape the shoe to ensure the surface of shoe in contact with hoof is level, smooth, in contact with hoof around edge, and shoe shape corresponds with shape of grounded surface of hoof.
- 2.4 Nail the shoe to the hoof.
- Range using white line as a guide, with a maximum of four nails (two on each side of foot), using nail size suitable for the shoe, with bevelled side of nail facing centre hoof.
- 2.5 Finish nails.
- Range by cutting and bending on hoof wall to ensure tight shoe fit, with protruding areas filed smooth.
- 2.6 Record actions carried out and make available to the farrier.

**Outcome 3**

Attend to post-shoeing activities.

**Performance criteria**

- 3.1 Remove debris from shoeing.
- 3.2 Clean and store shoeing tools in a dry, accessible place.
- 3.3 Return the horse to designated area.

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**Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions**

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<b>Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference</b>	0018
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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

**Comments on this unit standard**

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