

Title	Ride a horse accepting the bit over a course of jumps		
Level	3	Credits	6

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: carry out movements on a horse using natural and artificial aids and ride a horse over a course of jumps.
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Classification	Equine > Equitation
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation and code relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to:
 - Animal Welfare Act 1999;
 - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
 - Code of Welfare: Horses and Donkeys.
- 2 Performance of all aspects of this unit standard should comply with the *Code of Welfare: Horses and Donkeys*, available at www.mpi.govt.nz.
- 3 It is recommended that candidates have achieved Unit 1619, *Ride a horse in a balanced position at different gaits on the flat and over 50 to 60 cm fences*, or demonstrate equivalent knowledge and skills.
- 4 *Accepting the bit* as defined in Lawrence, Kevin, *Pony Club Manual 2* (revised edition) (Havelock North: New Zealand Pony Clubs Association, 2007). The horse going freely forward, calm and attentive, with a steady head and even contact on the bit, accepting all the rider's aids without resentment or evasion'.
- 5 *Natural aids* refer to voice, leg, seat, hands; artificial aids refer to whip, spur.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Carry out movements on a horse using natural and artificial aids.

Range horse calm and accepting the bit, all paces even, in a rhythm, rider maintaining steady contact using natural and artificial aids.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Ride to a rising trot on both left and right diagonal while maintaining a steady and balanced position in the saddle.

- 1.2 Demonstrate a sitting trot with the rider balanced and maintaining an even contact with the horse at all times.
- 1.3 Ride in circles with the horse flexing to the inside of the circle.
- Range 10 metres in walk, 15 metres in trot, 20 metres in canter.
- 1.4 Ride in serpentines and loops in a school situation with the horse supple and responsive.
- Range walk, trot.
- 1.5 Demonstrate lengthened strides at a trot on the long side of the schooling arena with the horse balanced.
- 1.6 Demonstrate movements from the walk with the horse balanced, and showing smooth, even strides.
- Range halt for three seconds with horse standing square, leg yield on straight line or circle.
- 1.7 Demonstrate change of leg through the trot smoothly and with the horse balanced.
- 1.8 Carry out a gallop with the horse under control at all times.

Outcome 2

Ride a horse over a course of jumps.

Range show jumping fences, cross-country fences.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Walk the jumping course to establish position and order of fences and number of strides between fences.
- 2.2 Jump a variety of cross-country fences and combinations of fences, maximum height of 80 cm, at a trot and canter, maintaining a steady jumping position.
- Range uphill, downhill fences, drop fences, banks, ditches.
- 2.3 Jump and clear a variety of show jumping fences and combinations of fences, maximum height of 80 cm, at a trot and canter, maintaining a steady jumping position.
- Range uprights, parallels, doubles, spreads, drums.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	28 October 1994	31 December 2022
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Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0099
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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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