

<b>Title</b>	<b>Teach a variety of horses to lunge to improve their performance</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>5</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	People credited with this unit standard are able to demonstrate knowledge of the use of ancillary equipment for teaching a horse to lunge and for correcting problems in horses, and demonstrate lunging technique; and teach a variety of horses to lunge to improve their performance.
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<b>Classification</b>	Equine > Equine Training
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<b>Available grade</b>	Achieved
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### Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, and its subsequent amendments.
- 2 Young horses and horses that have unknown lunging experience should begin lunging in secure surroundings, and ideally in permanent or temporary round yards.
- 3 For this unit standard the practical assessment evidence must be provided in the context of a commercial business operation under normal working conditions.
- 4 *Stable procedures* are the documented practices and polices required within a particular workplace, and do not contravene the *Code of Recommendations and Minimum Standards for Welfare of Horses* (Wellington: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, 1993), available at <http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/animal-welfare/codes/horses/index.htm>.
- 5 Recommended: Unit 1626, *Lunge a horse for training*, and Unit 1662 *Select and fit gear on a horse for riding*, or demonstrate equivalent knowledge and skills.

### Outcomes and performance criteria

#### Outcome 1

Demonstrate knowledge of the use of ancillary equipment for teaching a horse to lunge and for correcting problems in horses, and demonstrate lunging technique.

Range includes but is not limited to – chambon, de Gogue, side reins, running reins.

**Performance criteria**

- 1.1 Situations are identified where the use of equipment in lunging would benefit the horse.
- Range includes but is not limited to – mouth, muscles, position of head, engagement of hindquarters.
- 1.2 Situations are identified where the use of equipment in lunging should be avoided.
- Range inexperienced horses, inexperienced operator, jumping, unschooled horses.
- 1.3 Methods of lunging from the bit are demonstrated in a manner which ensures that the horse stays calm at all times.
- Range direct from the bit, from the middle of a strap joining the two bit rings, lunging rein over the poll from the opposite side from trainer.

**Outcome 2**

Teach a variety of horses to lunge to improve their performance.

Range inexperienced horse, horse with mouth problems, horse with behaviour problems, horse lacking elasticity.

**Performance criteria**

- 2.1 Horse is tacked up with lunging equipment in a manner which ensures horse stays calm at all times.
- Range includes but is not limited to – lunge roller, bridle, lunge cavesson, leg protection, lunge rein, side reins.
- 2.2 Ancillary equipment fitted according to the stage of training assists in the training of the horse.
- 2.3 Horse is taught to obey voice commands calmly, while lunging at a walk, with and without the aid of a person leading the horse, and the lunge whip.
- Range halt to walk, walk to halt.
- 2.4 Horse is taught to lunge demonstrating a long low outline, and supple bend while maintaining horse in a cooperative manner.
- Range walk, trot, canter.

2.5 Evasions or resistance are recognised, and corrective action is taken in accordance with stable procedures, the individual horse and the situation.

Range increase pace, backing off, facing trainer on circle, bucking, pulling out of circle, cutting corners.

**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

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	28 October 1994	31 December 2023
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Review	3	24 June 1998	31 December 2023
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#### Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference

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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.