

Title	Prepare a mare for serving and hold for service		
Level	3	Credits	3

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: carry out procedures to prevent spread of disease on an equine stud farm; fit restraints to minimise injury to the mare and stallion; and hold the mare for serving and restrain the foal.
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Classification	Equine > Equine Husbandry
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Available grade	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 *Stable procedures* are the documented practices and policies 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); or available at <http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/animal-welfare/codes/horses/index.htm>.
- 3 For this unit standard the practical assessment evidence must be provided in the context of a commercial business operation under normal working conditions.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Carry out procedures to prevent spread of disease on an equine stud farm.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Ways in which contamination can spread are outlined in terms of lack of hygiene, and contact of reproductive organs with bacteria of external environment.
- 1.2 The mare is cleaned to remove signs of faeces and dirt, according to stable procedures.

Range vulva, perineum, anus, hindquarters, under tail bone.
- 1.3 Tail bandaged to two thirds length of tail bone is firm enough to prevent slipping during mating.

Outcome 2

Fit restraints to minimise injury to the mare and stallion.

Range may include but is not limited to – serving hobbles, hind leg boots, leg strap, twitch, neck protector.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Description of restraints identifies their purpose and action.
- 2.2 Leg restraints are fitted in a manner which is comfortable for the mare, firm enough to stay in place for serving and to fulfil stated function.
- 2.3 Twitch is applied firm enough to create quietening effect while maintaining circulation to twitched area.

Outcome 3

Hold the mare for serving and restrain the foal.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Foal is restrained within sight and sound of the mare, allowing movement without causing damage to itself.
- 3.2 The lead rope and twitch are held while serving is carried out in a manner which restrains the mare and is safe for the mare, handler, and other personnel.
- 3.3 Restraints are removed as soon as possible after serving in a manner which is safe for the mare and handler.

Replacement information	This unit standard was replaced by unit standard 32112.
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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

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