

Title	Manage and educate a young horse from weanling to yearling age		
Level	4	Credits	8

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: educate the horse to activities it is likely to encounter in its association with people in its daily life; manage the health and development of a young horse; and feed the horse to obtain maximum growth potential according to age.
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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 polices required within a particular workplace, and do not contravene 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>.
- 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

Educate the horse to activities it is likely to encounter in its association with people in its daily life.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Horse obeys commands while remaining calm, restrained in a halter, and without causing injury to other horses or the handler.

Range may include but is not limited to – lead at walk, halt, turn, tie up.

- 1.2 Horse is accustomed to activities likely to be encountered when in training while remaining calm and without causing injury to self or the handler.
- Range may include but is not limited to – hosing, rugging, feet handling, transporting, leading with bit, grooming.
- 1.3 Horse is groomed to improve coat condition and accustom horse to all over body handling.

Outcome 2

Manage the health and development of a young horse.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Action faults are recognised, and a hoof trimming programme to assist correction, is implemented in conjunction with the farrier and in accordance with stable procedure.
- 2.2 A drenching programme is implemented and maintained in conjunction with the veterinarian to control parasites.
- 2.3 Paddock maintenance is carried out to control the spread of parasites between horses in a group.
- Range may include but is not limited to – harrowing, picking up manure, resting paddock, rotational grazing with other stock, supplementary feeds in feed bins, cleaning troughs, cleaning feed bins.
- 2.4 Teeth are checked for sharp points and action is taken to remove sharp points.
- Range horse dentist, veterinarian.
- 2.5 Signs of tail chewing are recognised and action is taken to prevent its occurrence or recurrence in accordance with stable procedures.
- 2.6 General ill health is recognised and action is taken in accordance with stable procedures and in the best interests of the horse.

Outcome 3

Feed the horse to obtain maximum growth potential according to age.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 A balanced ration is formulated to meet the horse's nutritional requirements, and is in accordance with its age, availability of pasture, and stable procedures.

3.2 Practical feeding considerations are taken into account when paddock feeding.

Range may include but is not limited to – pecking order, extra container to number of horses, season, pasture availability, individual long term goals.

Replacement information	This unit standard was replaced by unit standard 32122.
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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

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
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Review	3	24 June 1998	31 December 2023
Review	4	25 September 2003	31 December 2023
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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.