

Title	Describe thoroughbreds and their breeding, and evaluate a thoroughbred's potential		
Level	4	Credits	4

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: describe the development, spread, and influential lines of the thoroughbred, the thoroughbred breeding calendar, thoroughbred pedigrees, and the administration of the thoroughbred breeding industry; and evaluate horse's potential, conformation, and assess sale series suitable for individual horses.
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Classification	Equine > Equine Husbandry
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 The *New Zealand Stud Book* is issued by, and available from, New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing, PO Box 38 386, Wellington Mail Centre 5045, or from www.loveracing.nz. The *New Zealand Register of Non-Studbook Mares* is contained in its own section of the *New Zealand Stud Book*.
- 2 The *International Cataloguing Standards Committee* is the international body representing racing countries whose duty is to oversee Group (Pattern) and Listed race designations throughout the world.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe the development, spread, and influential lines of the thoroughbred.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe the development of the thoroughbred as a breed in terms of the significance of the Byerley Turk, the Darley Arabian, and the Godolphin Arabian.
- 1.2 Describe the geographical spread of the thoroughbred in relation to its beginning in the United Kingdom in the eighteenth century, to present day.

- 1.3 Describe influential lines of the thoroughbred in terms of their contribution to the development of the breed.

Range must include at least six influential thoroughbred lines from the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

Outcome 2

Describe the thoroughbred breeding calendar.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Describe the breeding calendar in relation to stud activities and the times of the year they occur.

Range mating, foaling, weaning.

- 2.2 Describe the breeding calendar in terms of its relevance to the thoroughbred industry, relationships between hemispheres, and the significance of climate.

- 2.3 Describe the breeding calendar in terms of the timing of yearling and other age-category sales and marketing in the thoroughbred industry.

Outcome 3

Describe thoroughbred pedigrees, evaluate horse's potential, conformation, and assess sale series suitable for individual horses.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Describe thoroughbred pedigrees in terms of the details of horses and their close relatives, and the significance of black type.

Range age, brands, colour, sire details, dam details, performance of close relatives;
evidence of four pedigrees is required.

- 3.2 Evaluate horses' pedigrees and conformation to determine their potential as possible racing or breeding prospects.

Range evidence of four horses is required.

- 3.3 Assess sales series for their suitability for individual horses according to their pedigrees, conformation, physical stature and date of birth.

Range weanlings, yearlings, broodmares, retained horses.
evidence of two is required.

- 3.4 Determine the compatibility between mare and stallion by analysis of their bloodlines and potential commercial appeal of offspring.

Range may include but is not limited to – line breeding, in breeding, out cross, proven cross; evidence of four is required.

Outcome 4

Describe the administration of the thoroughbred breeding industry.

Performance criteria

- 4.1 Describe the horse registration requirements of thoroughbred breeding practitioners in terms of the New Zealand Stud Book.

Range stud book mares, non-stud book mares, stallion, mare, foal and owner returns.

- 4.2 Describe administration of the thoroughbred breeding industry in terms of the role of New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing, and New Zealand Thoroughbred Breeders' Association.

- 4.3 Describe the significance of the International Cataloguing Standards Committee in relation to national and international race structures.

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Comments on this unit standard

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