

Title	Ride thoroughbred racehorses in fastwork as instructed by the trainer		
Level	3	Credits	10

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is intended for people who ride thoroughbred racehorses on training tracks.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to: ride a thoroughbred racehorse at fastwork as instructed by the trainer on a public training track; pull the horse up after the workout, and return to the trainer; and provide a verbal report to the trainer on the way the horse completed the workout.</p>
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Classification	Equine > Thoroughbred Racing
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation, rules, and code of welfare relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to:
 - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
 - New Zealand Rules of Racing, available at <https://loveracing.nz/nztr/resources/rules-directives-and-policies>;
 - Racing Act 2020;
 - Racetrack Bylaws, available from the secretary of the racing track where horses are working;
 - Code of Welfare: Horses and Donkeys 2018, available at <http://www.mpi.govt.nz>; and any subsequent amendments.

- 2 Definitions

Pacework – the horse ridden at canter.

Workplace procedures – the procedures and standards set by the client, raceclub and employing organisation. Workplace procedures should reflect equipment manufacturer’s requirements, and current legislation.

- 3 For the purposes of assessment:
- evidence must be presented in accordance with workplace procedures.
 - assessment must be supplied from a commercial business operation under normal working conditions and undertaken on a public training track.
 - evidence must be presented on both experienced and inexperienced horses. A rider must demonstrate competency consistently when riding an experienced horse solo and in company, and an inexperienced horse solo and in company.
 - the safety gear worn by the rider must meet the standards set by New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing Inc. Information is available at <https://loveracing.nz/>.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Ride a thoroughbred racehorse at fastwork as instructed by the trainer on a public training track.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Receive and clarify instructions.
- 1.2 Adjust gear to ensure designated action and safety for horse and rider.
- 1.3 Warm up and ride the horse confidently, at the pace, distance, and sectional times as directed by the trainer, with the horse under control.
- Range easy canter, half pace, three quarter pace, working gallop, full gallop.
- 1.4 Encourage the horse to remain balanced, relaxed and on the bit, and perform at all paces.
- 1.5 Ride the horse and conduct self, according to the New Zealand Rules of Racing.

Outcome 2

Pull the horse up after the workout, and return to the trainer.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Pull the horse up gradually.
- 2.2 Return the horse to the trainer in a controlled manner.

Outcome 3

Provide a verbal report to the trainer on the way the horse completed the workout.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Provide details of the way in which the horse completed the workout, both in terms of physical and its mental attitude.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	20 November 2006	31 December 2023
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Review	3	25 November 2021	N/A

Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0018
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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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