

<b>Title</b>	<b>Perform safe working practices using alternative equine training techniques and equipment</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>4</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	People credited with this unit standard are able to: demonstrate safe working practices; prepare horses for exercise and demonstrate safe working practices using alternative equine training techniques and/or equipment; prepare the horses for exercise; attend to horse after exercise; and maintain equipment and/or exercise area to minimise work related accidents.
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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 *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.
- 4 It is recommended that the Accident Compensation Corporation worksafe for the Equine Industry (ACC 2005 ISBN 0478279032) be utilised as a teaching resource for this unit standard.
- 5 Competency must be demonstrated using more than one horse.
- 6 For the purpose of this unit standard *alternative equine training techniques and equipment* are defined as training practices other than conditioning and preparing a horse on a training track/racetrack.

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## Outcomes and performance criteria

### Outcome 1

Demonstrate safe working practices using two alternative equine training techniques and/or equipment.

Range may include but is not limited to – treadmill, swimming pool, walker, jogging machine, altitude training, beach work.

### Performance criteria

1.1 Hazards associated with implementing alternative training equipment and/or techniques are identified and managed in accordance with stable procedures.

Range may include but is not limited to – identified, eliminated, isolated, minimised.

1.2 The operating procedures for equine training equipment are explained or described in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.

Range may include but is not limited to – start, emergency stop, timer.

1.3 Equipment is checked to ensure all fittings and surfaces meet manufacturer's safety recommendations prior to use.

1.4 Any unsafe features are identified and reported to the supervisor in accordance with stable procedures.

### Outcome 2

Prepare horses for exercise and demonstrate safe working practices using two alternative equine training techniques or types of equipment, under supervision.

### Performance criteria

2.1 Horse is prepared for exercise in accordance with stable procedures.

2.2 Safety equipment is applied to the horse in accordance with stable procedures.

2.3 Protective equipment suitable for the job is selected and worn by the handler in accordance with stable procedures.

2.4 Horse is exercised in accordance with the supervisor's and/or trainer's instructions.

2.5 Personal actions when operating equipment and implementing training do not promote or cause unsafe acts or conditions at the worksite, in accordance with stable procedures.

2.6 Equipment, where used, is checked and operated in accordance with manufacturer's specifications and stable procedures.

**Outcome 3**

Attend to horse after exercise.

**Performance criteria**

- 3.1 Horse is attended to post exercise in accordance with stable procedures.
- 3.2 Issues or incidences associated with a horse are reported to the supervisor in accordance with stable procedures.

**Outcome 4**

Maintain equipment and/or exercise area to minimise work related accidents.

**Performance criteria**

- 4.1 Equipment, where used, is maintained in accordance with manufacturer's specifications and stable procedures.
- 4.2 Exercise area is maintained in accordance with stable procedures.
- 4.3 Issues or incidents associated with equipment and/or exercise area are reported to the supervisor in accordance with stable procedures.

**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	2	29 July 2021	31 December 2023

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