

Title	Design, implement, and monitor a horse's training programme utilising alternative training techniques and equipment		
Level	4	Credits	8

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: identify and describe alternative equine training techniques and equipment and the rationale for their use; design and implement a training programme and monitor a horse's progress and performance using alternative equine training practices.
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Classification	Equine > Equine Training
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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 and competency must be demonstrated using more than one horse.
- 4 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/racetrack.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Identify and describe alternative equine training techniques and equipment and the rationale for their use.

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

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Three types of alternative equine training techniques and/or equipment are identified and described.
- 1.2 Explanation identifies the advantages and disadvantages of using at least three types of alternative equine training techniques and equipment.
 - Range may include but is not limited to – labour saving, psychological and physiological reasons, environmental factors.

Outcome 2

Design and implement a training programme and monitor a horse’s progress and performance using alternative equine training techniques and equipment.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 A progressive training programme is designed for a minimum of six weeks and according to the horse’s individual needs.
- 2.2 The training programme is implemented, and the results and horse’s wellbeing are monitored and recorded according to stable procedures.
 - Range wellbeing includes but is not limited to – psychological, physiological.
- 2.3 A horse’s training programme is evaluated and changes implemented according to results and stable procedures.
 - Range may include but is not limited to – heart rate, respiratory, blood tests, performance, physiological effects, appetite.

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
Registration	1	23 April 2008	31 December 2022
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