

<b>Title</b>	<b>Describe oestrous and teasing, and implement a teasing system for mares</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>10</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	People credited with this unit standard are able to: describe the mare's oestrous cycle, problems and treatments used to manipulate the cycle, and the purpose and methods for teasing; and implement a teasing system for mares and maintain records.
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<b>Classification</b>	Equine > Equine Husbandry
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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:
  - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015; and any subsequent amendments.
- 2 Definition
 

*Workplace procedures* are the documented policies and practices for safety and procedures within a particular workplace, and are consistent with the Code of Welfare: Horses and Donkeys (2018) available at <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/dmsdocument/11003-horses-and-donkeys-code-of-welfare>.
- 3 For the purposes of assessment:
  - evidence for the practical components of this unit standard must be supplied from the workplace.
  - the teaser may be a stallion, rig, gelding or another mare that the mare will show to.

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## Outcomes and performance criteria

### Outcome 1

Describe the mare's oestrous cycle, problems, and treatments used to manipulate the cycle, and the purpose and methods for teasing.

### Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe the oestrous cycle in terms of the associated hormones and behavioural changes in the mare.

- 1.2 Describe the veterinary treatments and methods used to manipulate the oestrous cycle in terms of the situations in which they are used.
- 1.3 Describe problems in breeding mares and associated treatment options.
- Range problems include but are not limited to – transitional seasons, dirty mares, corpus hemorrhagicum, pooling of fluid and/or urine; treatments include but are not limited to – caslicks, oxytocin, irrigation.
- 1.4 Describe the purpose and methods of teasing.
- Range group teasing in a paddock with teaser in a separate pen, in hand to individual mares, teaser walked by mare/s.

**Outcome 2**

Implement a teasing system for mares and maintain records.

Range wet mare, dry mare, maiden mare.

**Performance criteria**

- 2.1 Implement a teasing system appropriate for the stud, the environment, and types of mares in accordance with workplace procedures.
- Range may include – fitting restraints, present mare to teaser, present teaser to mare.
- 2.2 Identify behavioural signs of a mare in oestrus, and record results on the mare’s teasing record in accordance with workplace procedures.
- Range mare’s personal details, breeding history, date arrived, date served, date foaled; symbols for behavioural signs, heat, hot on, going off, off heat.
- 2.3 Maintain mares’ scanning records to determine readiness for service in accordance with workplace procedures.
- Range follicle size, relaxation of cervix, fluid, colour of membranes and oedema patterns.
- 2.4 Group mares according to the stage of their oestrous cycles in accordance with workplace procedures.

<b>Replacement information</b>	This unit standard replaced unit standard 1635.
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<b>Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference</b>	0018
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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

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**Comments on this unit standard**

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