

Title	Prepare horses for sale, present and parade a sales horse, and care for horses in temporary accommodation		
Level	3	Credits	10

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: describe and assist with routine care and education of horses undergoing sales preparation; prepare a horse for travel, load and unload a horse, and attend to immediate post-travel activities; demonstrate knowledge of sales facilities, daily routine, and etiquette; care for sale horses in temporary accommodation; and present and parade a sale horse to its best advantage and describe pedigrees.
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Classification	Equine > Equine Husbandry
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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:
 - 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.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe and assist with routine care and education of horses undergoing sales preparation.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe the procedures for and assist with sales preparation of horses to maximise sale ring appeal in accordance with workplace procedures.
- Range may include but is not limited to – feeding, grooming, washing, oiling feet, mane pulling, clipping, tail dying; evidence of four is required.
- 1.2 Describe the procedures for and assist with routine health procedures when carried out, in accordance with workplace procedures.
- Range may include but is not limited to – shoeing, scoping, x-raying, supplements, teeth, vaccinations; evidence of four is required.
- 1.3 Assist with education, fitness programme, and parade practice of horses as directed in accordance with workplace procedures.

Outcome 2

Prepare a horse for travel, load and unload a horse, and attend to immediate post-travel activities.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Prepare a horse for travel in accordance with workplace procedures.
- Range may include but is not limited to – leg and/or poll and/or tail protection, travel cover, feet picked out, brushed, encourage urination, use of electrolytes; evidence of three is required.
- 2.2 Load the horse onto the transport vehicle in a manner which is safe for both horse and handler in accordance with workplace procedures.
- 2.3 Unload the horse safely and remove traveling gear if used in accordance with workplace procedures.
- 2.4 Inspect the horse after unloading to check the effects of travelling and take action as required in accordance with workplace procedures.
- 2.5 Settle the horse into temporary accommodation in accordance with workplace procedures.
- Range may include but not limited to – stable or yard.

Outcome 3

Demonstrate knowledge of sales facilities, daily routine, and etiquette.

Performance criteria

3.1 Identify the location of sale facilities.

Range may include but is not limited to – parade ring, stables, sales ring, food outlets, accommodation, wash bay, exercise and parade area;
evidence of five is required.

3.2 Describe the daily routine at the sales complex for horses and personnel.

Range may include but is not limited to – personnel start time, breakfast; horses feeding, mucking out, exercise, parading, grooming, washing;
evidence of five is required.

3.3 Describe sales etiquette and standards of professionalism.

Range personal attire, personal presentation, behaviour when handling sales horse, communication with clients, confidentiality;
evidence of three is required.

Outcome 4

Care for sale horses in temporary accommodation.

Performance criteria

4.1 Observe horses' health and well-being, and take appropriate action as required in accordance with workplace procedures.

Range may include but is not limited to – mental, physical, behavioural;
evidence of two is required.

4.2 Handle sales horses safely in and around the facility when carrying out daily routine care in accordance with workplace procedures.

4.3 Maintain the work environment and immediate surroundings in a clean and tidy state in accordance with workplace procedures.

Outcome 5

Present and parade a sale horse to its best advantage and describe pedigrees.

Performance criteria

5.1 Handle the sale horse confidently when parading in accordance with workplace procedures.

5.2 Walk the sale horse actively and present in a way that emphasises desirable qualities in accordance with workplace procedures.

- 5.3 Maintain the sale horse in a well-groomed state as directed.
- 5.4 Present self in a professional manner and maintain personal attire in a clean and tidy state in accordance with workplace procedures.
- 5.5 Describe pedigrees and interpret details.

Range may include but is not limited to – sire, dam, performance of relatives; black type – stakes and listed races; foaling date; evidence of two is required.

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Comments on this unit standard

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