

Title	Care for stabled horses		
Level	4	Credits	8

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: identify and record horses and equipment; check and report on horses' stabling requirements; carry out the daily stable routine; feed stabled horses; demonstrate knowledge of, and implement, preventative health requirements; recognise and report stable vices and behavioural problems; and check and report on stable consumables.
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Classification	Equine > Equine Care
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation and code relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to:
 - Animal Welfare Act 1999;
 - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
 - Code of Welfare: Horses and Donkeys.
- 2 Performance of all aspects of this unit standard should comply with the *Code of Welfare: Horses and Donkeys*, available at www.mpi.govt.nz.
- 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 *Stable procedures* are the documented practices and polices required within a particular equine workplace.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Identify and record horses and equipment.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Identify horses in the stable and record their details in accordance with stable procedures.
- 1.2 Record equipment held in the stable in accordance with stable procedures.

Outcome 2

Check and report on horses' stabling requirements.

Performance criteria

2.1 Check the horses' stabling requirements.

Range requirements must include but is not limited to – environmental conditions, internal and external fittings, welfare, health and safety, stable dimensions.

2.2 Report on the horses' stabling requirements.

Outcome 3

Carry out the daily stable routine.

Performance criteria

3.1 Observe horses for health and well-being, and take appropriate action is taken in accordance with stable procedures.

3.2 Prepare horses that require exercise and make ready at the designated time and place in accordance with stable procedures.

3.3 Implement the daily routine to ensure that horses, stables, and surroundings are safe and tidy in accordance with stable procedures.

Range routine must include but is not limited to – clean, tidy, without hazard to people and/or animals, equipment stored in designated place.

Outcome 4

Feed stabled horses.

Performance criteria

4.1 Prepare horse feeds and feed horses in accordance with stable procedures.

4.2 Recognise problems with feeding and watering and report in accordance with stable procedures.

Outcome 5

Demonstrate knowledge of, and implement, preventative health requirements.

Performance criteria

5.1 Describe reasons for implementing preventative health measures in terms of introducing a new horse to the stable.

5.2 Implement an ongoing preventative health programme in accordance with stable procedures.

Range includes but is not limited to – worming, vaccination.

Outcome 6

Recognise and report stable vices and behavioural problems.

Range vices may include but are not limited to – weaving, door kicking, crib biting, windsucking, front footing, biting, tearing covers, box walking.

Performance criteria

- 6.1 Describe stable vices and behavioural problems in terms of control measures suitable for rectifying the problems.
- 6.2 Report stable vices and behavioural problems in accordance with stable procedures.
- 6.3 Identify the reasons why horses develop stable vices and behavioural problems.

Outcome7

Check and report on stable consumables.

Performance criteria

- 7.1 Store feed supplies free from contamination and check for quality and quantity, and report in accordance with stable procedures.
- 7.2 Check stable bedding supply for quantity and report in accordance with stable procedures.
- 7.3 Check equipment for damage and report signs of damage in accordance with stable procedures.

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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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