

Title	Demonstrate knowledge of the procedure for bringing a horse into work after a spell and letting down		
Level	3	Credits	3

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: describe the preparation required for bringing a horse back into work; assess a horse and describe a work and training programme to reach a target activity; and describe the letting-down of the horse before a spell.
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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 of welfare relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to:
 - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
 - Code of Welfare: Horses and Donkeys 2018, available at <http://www.mpi.govt.nz>; and any subsequent amendments.
- 2 Definition
Workplace procedures – the procedures and standards set by the client or employing organisation. Workplace procedures should reflect equipment manufacturer’s requirements, and current legislation.
- 3 For the purposes of assessment:
 - evidence must be presented in accordance with workplace procedures.
 - assessment for the practical components of this unit standard must be supplied from a commercial horse enterprise or recognised voluntary equine organisation.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe the preparation required for bringing a horse back into work.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe preparation in terms of the health requirements of the horse.

- 1.2 Describe equipment required for preparation in terms of the types and their purpose.

Outcome 2

Assess a horse and describe a work and training programme to reach a target activity.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Assess the horse to determine present condition and level of fitness.
- 2.2 Describe a work and training programme for an individual horse, in terms of the conditioning methods to reach targeted activity over a specified period of time.
- 2.3 Describe the preparation of the horse in terms of the procedures for fitting equipment before each work session, and care and maintenance after the session.
- 2.4 Describe the daily maintenance requirements for the horse.

Range includes but is not limited to – physical, mental, dietary.

Outcome 3

Describe the letting-down of the horse before a spell.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Describe the procedures for change in work rate in terms of letting-down from stable to pasture environment.
- 3.2 Describe feeding procedures in terms of gradual letting-down from hard feed to pasture.
- 3.3 Describe horse care in terms of gradual letting-down from stabled to pasture environment.
- 3.4 Describe foot care in terms of care of hooves for a horse turned out.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	22 October 1996	31 December 2023
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Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference

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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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