

<b>Title</b>	<b>Identify a horse's age in relation to teeth, and examine for sharp edges</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>4</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	People credited with this unit standard are able to: identify a horse's age in relation to teeth; examine teeth for sharp edges; and demonstrate knowledge of the treatment of sharp edges.
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<b>Classification</b>	Equine > Equine Care
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<b>Available grade</b>	Achieved
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### Guidance Information

Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, and its subsequent amendments.

### Outcomes and performance criteria

#### Outcome 1

Identify a horse's age in relation to teeth.

Range incisors, pre-molars, molars.

#### Performance criteria

1.1 Dentition is described in terms of changes in number and type of teeth according to age.

Range milk teeth, permanent teeth.

1.2 The horse's age is identified, within 12 months accuracy, by inspection of types of teeth, markings on teeth, slope, and wear.

1.3 Horses with known age over eight years old are estimated for age within three years accuracy, by inspection of markings on teeth, and their slope, and wear.

#### Outcome 2

Examine teeth for sharp edges and demonstrate knowledge of the treatment of sharp edges.

**Performance criteria**

- 2.1 Formation of sharp edges on teeth is described in terms of the shape of the horse's jaw and chewing action.
- 2.2 Consequences of sharp edges are described in terms of obvious symptoms shown by the horse.
- 2.3 Teeth are examined for sharp edges without injury to self and stress or injury to the horse.
- 2.4 Removal of sharp edges is described in terms of method and equipment.

**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**Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions**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	22 August 1996	31 December 2023
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