

Title	Assess a horse for purchase for a specific activity		
Level	4	Credits	4

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: set criteria for horse selection; inspect and assess a horse for purchase; and demonstrate knowledge of pre-purchase and post purchase procedures and recommend purchase procedures.
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Classification	Equine > Equine Care
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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 the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, and its subsequent amendments.
- 2 Candidates must not contravene the *Code of Recommendations and Minimum Standards for the Welfare of Horses* (Wellington: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, 1993), which is available at <http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/animal-welfare/codes/horses/index.htm>.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Set criteria for horse selection.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Criteria for selection are established according to requirements of the purchaser.

Range	may include but is not limited to – physique, temperament, lifestyle, riding experience, height, weight, ambition, specific activity, finance.
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- 1.2 Selection requirements are described in terms of the horse, and established criteria.

Range	may include but is limited to – breed, type, age, performance, experience, size, temperament, conformation, movement, pedigree.
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Outcome 2

Inspect and assess a horse for purchase.

Range breed, type, age, performance, experience, size, temperament, conformation, movement, pedigree.

Performance criteria

2.1 Assessment of conformation identifies suitability for pre-determined activity.

2.2 Pre-purchase inspection identifies suitability for activity.

Range may include but is not limited to – lunge, drive, ride, trot up.

Outcome 3

Demonstrate knowledge of pre-purchase and post purchase procedures and recommend purchase procedures.

Performance criteria

3.1 Pre-purchase checks are described in terms of a veterinary examination.

Range includes but is not limited to – flexion tests, x-rays, scope, blood tests, scans.

3.2 Responsibilities of the seller and potential purchaser during the period when the horse is on trial are described in terms of sale obligations.

Range pre-purchase checks, insurance, care and management, notifying the seller, contractual arrangements.

3.3 Pre and post-purchase responsibilities of the seller and purchaser are described in terms of sale obligations.

Range may include but is not limited to – leases, right of purchase, sale and purchase agreements, change of ownership, contractual obligations.

3.4 Pre and post-purchase procedures are recommended according to the requirements of the purchaser and the horse.

Range may include but is not limited to – horse value, risk, horse's history, intended use.

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
Revision	2	11 June 1998	31 December 2023
Review	3	21 May 1999	31 December 2023
Review	4	22 September 2004	31 December 2023
Review	5	17 October 2008	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>.