Modification history

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| Release | Comments |
| Release 1 | This version released with the RGR Racing Training Package Version 1.0. |

| RGRSTD303 | Assess racing gear suitability and safety |
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| Application | This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to check approved and non-approved gear and equipment is correctly fitted for comfort and safety purposes.  The unit applies to individuals who work as a stipendiary or cadet steward or others approved by a Principal Racing Authority (PRA) to undertake these duties in greyhound, harness or thoroughbred racing codes.  Greyhound, harness and thoroughbred racing are strictly regulated throughout Australia. All stewards are appointed under the rules of racing by the relevant PRA. Users are advised to check with the relevant PRA for requirements.  No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication. |
| Prerequisite Unit | Nil |
| Unit Sector | Steward (STD) |

| Elements | Performance Criteria |
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| Elements describe the essential outcomes. | Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. |
| 1. Ensure compliance of racing gear | 1.1 Inspect and identify approved racing gear and equipment  1.2 Inspect and identify non-approved racing gear and equipment  1.3 Report and remove non-approved or illegal gear according to current rules of racing and register of approved gear for relevant racing code |
| 2. Check fit and safety of racing gear | 2.1 Check racing gear fit to ensure comfort and safety to greyhound or horse  2.2 Inspect potential wear points on racing gear or equipment  2.3 Inspect stitching, bonding and attachment points for wear  2.4 Inspect bandages and boots for suitable fit and secure closing |
| 3. Make emergency adjustments to gear | 3.1 Employ safe handling techniques to restrain greyhound or horse during gear adjustments  3.2 Supervise or assist with adjusting or replacing gear to ensure safe racing and handling |

| Foundation Skills  This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria. | |
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| Skill | Description |
| Navigate the world of work | * Follow instructions, procedures and safe handling and ethical practices when dealing with greyhounds or horses * Understand responsibilities of own role in relation to rules of racing |
| Interact with others | * Follow racing industry communication protocols and procedures for discussing, reporting or escalating issues |
| Get the work done | * Follows clear instructions and makes decisions based on defined criteria for assessing racing gear suitability and safety |

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| Unit Mapping Information | | | |
| Code and title current version | Code and title previous version | Comments | Equivalence status |
| RGRSTD303 Assess racing gear suitability and safety | RGRSTD303A Assess racing gear suitability and safety | Updated to meet Standards for Training Packages  Minor edits made to Performance Criteria for clarity | Equivalent unit |

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| TITLE | Assessment requirements for RGRSTD303 Assess racing gear suitability and safety |
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| Performance Evidence | |
| An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit. There must be evidence that the individual has inspected and assessed different items of approved gear to determine suitability and safety for at least three race meetings, including for each:   * checked compliance, detected and removed or reported non-approved or illegal gear * checked fit, safety and suitability of approved racing gear * supervised or assisted with adjustments to approved gear to address comfort and safety * handled racing animals according to safety and animal welfare requirements. | |

| Knowledge Evidence |
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| An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:   * procedures and practices for assessing racing gear * approved racing gear and equipment according to relevant code or national gear register for thoroughbreds * non-approved racing gear and equipment * implications of greyhounds or horses racing without approved or safe gear * factors to consider in checking fit for racing gear comfort * greyhound or horse safe handling and controlling techniques * range of behaviour traits exhibited by greyhounds or horses * reporting lines and reporting requirements for irregularities and problems * racing industry standards and expectations relevant to assessing gear suitability and safety: * racing industry animal welfare requirements * racing industry safety requirements including safe operating procedures * relevant rules of racing relating to racing gear. |

| Assessment Conditions |
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| Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:   * physical conditions: * a racetrack or simulated environment that accurately reflects performance in a real workplace setting * resources, equipment and materials: * gear or equipment to be worn by greyhounds or horses and racing personnel during trials and races approved by racing control body or on national gear register for relevant racing code * personal protective equipment correctly fitted and appropriate for activity for candidate.   Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards. |

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