

Modification history

| Release | Comments |
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| Release 1 | This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 1.0. |

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| ACMEQU201 | Work safely in industries with horses Follow safe work practices in industries with horses |
| Application | <p>This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to work safely and in industry sectors that use horses. It covers knowledge of potential risks when working with and around horses and following industry guidelines and procedures to ensure the welfare and safety of the individual and the horse.</p> <p>This unit applies to entry level workers in the horse related industries who undertake routine work under supervision. Working environments may include stables, paddocks, yards, tracks, exercise arenas and public areas used by various industry sectors that use horses.</p> <p>Commonwealth and state/territory health and safety, and animal welfare legislation, regulations and codes of practice relevant to interacting with horses apply to workers in this industry. Requirements vary between industry sectors and jurisdictions</p> <p>No licensing or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication, except for the racing industry, where licensing or registration varies between states and territories. Users working in the racing industry are advised to contact the relevant Principal Racing Authority for advice on current requirements.</p> |
| Prerequisite Unit | <p>Prerequisite unit of competency for this unit is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely |
| Unit Sector | Equine (EQU) |

| Elements | Performance Criteria |
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| <i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i> | <i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i> |
| Confirm workplace WHS requirements | Add horse behaviour |
| <p>2. Follow work health and safety (WHS) and industry guidelines and procedures</p> <p>SMEs on 1 Dec 2020 advised to -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Key roles and safety zones Look at the large animal rescue units (ACMAIM) - check the KE and translate to this unit. | <p>2.1 Interpret and clarify instructions about assigned tasks with supervisor and report safety risks and hazards</p> <p>2.2 Identify own responsibilities, including boundaries of role, in relation to supervisor instructions</p> <p>2.3 Identify, assess and take steps to control risks to self, others and the horse when interacting with horses, including dynamic risk assessment</p> <p>2.4 Follow safe working practices when working with and around horses, including using correctly fitted personal protective equipment (PPE) appropriate for the activity</p> <p>2.5 Raise health and safety issues with supervisor according to workplace procedures</p> <p>2.6 Complete workplace records and documentation according to workplace guidelines</p> |

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The references to careers and sustainability will be removed.

Unnecessary overlap with other ACMEQU safety units will also be removed to create better differentiate the outcomes between the four proposed ACMEQU safety units

Several comments changes and comments added for consideration by the SMEs

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| 3. Use equipment, tools and gear to complete a routine task/s | 3.1 Select appropriate equipment, tools and gear according to supervisor instructions 3.2 Check equipment, tools and gear and identify their safe use, prior to use 3.3 Use safe manual handling techniques 3.4 Check chemical and medication safety directions prior to use, according to supervisor instructions 3.5 Maintain and store chemicals, medications, equipment, tools and gear according to supervisor instructions and workplace practices |
| Respond to emergencies | Follow the organisational procedures Basic Knowledge of at this level: Power failure Alternative communication technology Floods and fires Accidents/incidents Horse relocation during an emergency scenario - see the ACMAIM units Shelter in place (too late to leave during a bushfire or flood) Disease outbreaks and biosecurity Zoonoses |

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| Foundation Skills | |
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| <i>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.</i> | |
| Skill | Description |
| Reading | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interpret key information on product labels and instructions for work tasks |
| Writing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enter data and record observations accurately and legibly in workplace documentation |
| Oral communication | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use active listening and questioning to clarify and confirm supervisor instructions Use industry terminology accurately in communications with others |

| Unit Mapping Information | | | |
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| Code and title current version | Code and title previous version | Comments | Equivalence status |
| ACMEQU201 Work safely in industries with horses | | | |
| Links | Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103 | | |

| TITLE | Assessment requirements for ACMEQU201 Work safely in industries with horses |
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| Performance Evidence | |
| An individual demonstrating competency in this unit must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria of this unit. | |
| <p>There must be evidence that the individual has worked in a horse industry environment around at least three quiet, consistent and obedient horses. Under supervision, the individual must demonstrate each of the following points on at least three occasions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • following work health and safety (WHS) procedures in the context of own work, and including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • carrying out basic hazard and risk assessment and control • using personal protective equipment (PPE) • using safe manual handling techniques • materials handling • animal handling • reporting WHS hazards and issues • using ethical and humane animal welfare practices in the context of own work • selecting equipment, tools and gear appropriate to the work task • selecting, applying and/or administering chemicals and medications according to work requirements • following workplace biosecurity practices in the context of own work • communicating effectively with supervisor using industry terminology, including raising issues of concern • accurately completing required workplace records and documentation. | |
| Knowledge Evidence | |
| <p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • basic animal welfare principles and responsibilities in the context of own work • basic WHS responsibilities for a limited range of horse industry occupations • basic workplace WHS procedures, including emergency procedures • horse industry biosecurity responsibilities and practices in context of own work • sources of information to develop own knowledge of the horse industry • industry terminology to describe horses and horse-related work • job and occupation pathways in the horse industry • opportunities to improve efficiencies and reduce environmental hazards in the context of own work • selection of equipment, tools and gear for a range of tasks • safety of chemicals and medications in the context of own work • hazards and risks in the horse industry and accepted procedures for controlling the risks • manual handling solutions for common activities in the horse industry. | |
| Assessment Conditions | |
| <p>Assessment of skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • physical conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a equine workplace or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions • resources, equipment and materials: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • various calm, consistent and obedient horses educated for relevant activity and assessed as suitable for the skill and experience level of the individual • tools and equipment for tasks • appropriate tack for horse and activity • PPE correctly fitted and appropriate for activities for the individual • specifications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • work instructions • relationships: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • supervisor. | |

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| Assessment Conditions | |
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| Training and assessment strategies must show evidence of the use of guidance provided in the <i>Companion Volume: User Guide: Safety in Equine Training</i> . | |
| Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards. | |
| Links | Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103 |