

Modification history

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

ACMEQU301	Introduce horses to lunge exercise
Application	<p>This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to educate a horse for lungeing exercise by introducing techniques, routines and gear, and voice commands and signals used to control and direct a horse to lunge calmly. It includes knowledge of potential safety risks associated with interacting with and lungeing horses.</p> <p>This unit applies to individuals who work under broad direction in industries involving horses. They apply knowledge of horse behaviour to educate horses to lunge calmly in environments that include round yards and fenced exercise arenas tasks</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, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication, except for the racing industry, where requirements vary 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	Prerequisite units of competency for this unit are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ACMEQU210 Lunge educated horses
Unit Sector	Equine (EQU)

Elements	Performance Criteria
<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Prepare to educate a horse to lunge	1.1 Assess suitability of horses to be trained to lunge relevant to handler skill, and discuss with supervisor 1.2 Identify hazards, assess and control risks related to educating a horse to lunge and the lungeing environment 1.3 Select methods and techniques for introducing inexperienced horses to lungeing 1.4 Select and correctly fit personal protective equipment (PPE) according to workplace safety requirements 1.5 Select and check lungeing equipment and fit working gear to horse according to supervisor instructions
2. Educate a horse to lunge	2.1 Apply knowledge of horse behaviour to introduce lungeing to inexperienced horse 2.2 Introduce horse to lungeing exercise using safe and low stress techniques according to supervisor instructions 2.3 Maintain safe lungeing position 2.4 Use clear and appropriate lungeing cues with horse 2.5 Use safe lungeing progression in walk, trot and canter in both directions 2.6 Monitor horse health and welfare during lungeing, ceasing lungeing activity and reporting abnormalities to supervisor

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- FS updated
- Changes and comments added to the PE, KE and AC for SMEs to check/comment

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Note - revised ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely could be a prerequisite for ACMEQU210

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Select horse to be educated and suitable training area in consultation with other workers, if required.

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according to individual horse and training requirements

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3. Care for horse after lungeing	3.1 Cool horse down after exercise according to supervisor instructions 3.2 Remove, clean and check lungeing gear for signs of wear or damage 3.3 Report irregularities with horse or gear to supervisor

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Foundation Skills	
<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
Oral communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use industry terminology to describe and report horse lungeing activities
Numeracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measure and calculate time, distance and speed

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Unit Mapping Information			
Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACMEQU301 Introduce horses to lunge exercise			No equivalent unit
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 ACMEQU301 Introduce horses to lunge exercise
Performance Evidence	
<p>An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all the elements and performance criteria of this unit. There must be evidence that the individual has introduced at least two compliant and manageable horses to lungeing, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> identifying hazards, assessing and controlling their risks associated with lungeing horses and lungeing environment selecting, fitting and introducing lungeing gear to horses controlling and positioning the horse during walk, trot and canter: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> in both directions whilst safely adjusting lunge lead and whip position using lunge whip and handler body position to encourage inexperienced horses to start, stop and follow the track during lunge exercise using voice to control tempo and speed of inexperienced horses during lungeing exercise selecting and performing lungeing techniques that encourage inexperienced horses to maintain speed, tempo, gait and position on the track effectively communicating with supervisor, including raising issues of concern related to lunge exercise monitoring basic horse health and welfare during lunge exercise and reporting abnormalities to supervisor applying correct care of horse and equipment after lungeing. 	
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"> safe horse handling techniques, zones and positioning techniques to encourage inexperienced horses to lunge low stress horse handling techniques types and purpose of personal protective equipment (PPE) suitable for lunge exercise features of a safe work area to lunge horses techniques for introducing inexperienced horses to lungeing horse learning theory that can be applied to lungeing activities purpose and reasons for lungeing horses types, purpose, correct fit and use of horse lungeing gear common horse behaviour, social traits, vices and responses related to lungeing horses potential hazards and risks associated with lungeing horses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> horse behaviour other horses in vicinity handler skills and techniques surface variations area not fenced or confined symptoms and signs of illness and injury during and after lungeing styles of lunge exercise and exercise routines types of working gear required for lungeing horses types of injury that may be sustained during lunge exercise animal welfare practices in relation to lunge exercise. 	
Assessment Conditions	
<p>Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> physical conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an equine fenced arena or round yard, or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions resources, equipment and materials: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> live compliant and manageable horses (inexperienced in lungeing) assessed as suitable for the experience and skill of the individual, as specified in the performance evidence 	

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Assessment Conditions	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• tack, materials, tools and equipment including PPE suitable for the handler, horses and tasks specified in the performance evidence• specifications:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• workplace procedures and instructions or program for educating horses to lunge• relationships<ul style="list-style-type: none">• supervisor. <p>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>.</p> <p>Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.</p>	
Links	Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103