[Carry out routine care and monitor the health and welfare of horses]



Overview

This standard is about carrying out the routine care and monitoring the health and welfare of horses. It covers the routine monitoring of horses' physical condition and behaviour, the recognition of the signs of ill-health and lameness, the nursing of sick horses and provision of routine treatments.

The work described in this standard would be carried out following agreement of responsibilities with a supervisor.

You will need to be fully aware of the importance of health and safety in connection with this work.

You will need to be able to recognise hazards and assess risks within the workplace.

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Performance criteria

You must be able to:

- P1 Care for horses in a manner which optimises their health and well-being
- P2 Monitor horses' physical condition and behaviour at regular intervals and report observations to the appropriate person
- P3 Carry out specific measures to promote horses' health according to instructions
- P4 Observe horses after specific measures have been taken and report signs immediately to the appropriate person
- P5 Provide clear and accurate information for recording purposes
- P6 Maintain the health, safety and welfare of horses, self and others during the work.

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 How to monitor the health and welfare of horses and recognise signs of good and ill-health
- K2 How to recognise a 'horse health emergency' and when to call a supervisor
- K3 Routine preventative measures i.e. worming, vaccination, foot care
- K4 The basic structure of the foot and leg and how to recognise a lame horse
- K5 Recognition and treatment of minor ailments
- K6 General horse welfare concerns e.g. disease, disability, pest infestation and trauma
- K7 The limits of your responsibility and to whom difficulties should be reported
- K8 Risks to horses, self and others and how these can be minimised
- K9 Your responsibilities under relevant animal health and welfare and health and safety legislation/codes of practice.

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Additional Information (Delete any sections not needed)

Scope/range

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Scope/range related to performance criteria

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Scope/range related to knowledge and understanding

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Values [VALUES]

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