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## Overview

This standard involves controlling both ridden and led horses in the open.

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 animal health and welfare and health and safety in connection with this work.

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

**Performance  
criteria**

- You must be able to:*
- P1 Complete the relevant preparation before the ride is commenced
  - P2 Select and fit suitable tack and equipment including girth, bridle and boots
  - P3 Maintain control over ridden and led horses in a safe and appropriate manner according to the conditions
  - P4 Report any difficulties to the appropriate person where necessary
  - P5 Return horses to accommodation on completion of the exercise
  - P6 Maintain the health and safety of horses, self and others during the work.

## Knowledge and understanding

*You need to know and understand:*

- K1 How to assess the suitability of horses for riding and leading
- K2 Hazards associated with riding and leading and the actions to be taken in response to adverse surfaces when ride and lead is used
- K3 Actions to be taken in response to other horses, other people, weather conditions, horse slipping, losing your stirrups, vehicles, unsettled horses
- K4 Equipment and preparation to be made prior to ride and lead
- K5 Risks to horses, yourself and others and how these can be minimised
- K6 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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related to  
performance  
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**Scope/range  
related to  
knowledge and  
understanding**

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