[Assist with pre and post horse trek procedures]



Overview

This standard involves assisting with pre and post horse trek procedures.

These procedures could be helping the clients mount and dismount, adjusting tack as necessary and caring for the horses on return from the trek. The work described in this standard would be carried out following agreement of responsibilities with a supervisor.

You will be required to assist clients that are both beginners and capable riders.

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.

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Performance criteria

You must	be	able	to:

- P1 Assist with pre trek assessments according to agreed procedures
- P2 Check the suitability of tack and tack up horses in accordance with instructions
- P3 Assist with mounting and dismounting from the ground and a mounting block
- P4 Adjust tack to suit individual riders as required
- P5 Recognise and report hazardous situations promptly to the trek leader
- P6 Check the horses for health and condition on return from the trek
- P7 Provide horses with water and make them comfortable according to season and work levels
- P8 Maintain the health and safety of horses, self and others during the work.

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 Why it is important to follow instructions and agreed procedures for trekking activities
- K2 Potential hazards likely to be encountered during mounting and dismounting from both the ground and a mounting block
- K3 Insurance requirements for trekking establishments
- K4 Importance of good customer relations
- K5 Why it is important to recognise poor fitting, broken or unsafe tack
- K6 The different types of treks and the requirements of short and long treks, and seasonal differences
- K7 Procedures for pre trek assessments of the horses and clients including health checks for both
- K8 The use of numnahs and jelly pads
- K9 How to tack up, un-tack and adjust tack for comfort and safety
- K10 Risks to horses, yourself and others and how these can be minimised
- K11 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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