
Overview

This standard involves assisting with handling mares and foals. This may include catching, leading and turning a mare and foal out into the field, and holding a mare and foal for examination or treatment. It also covers knowledge of the weaning procedure.

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.

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Performance criteria

- You must be able to:*
- P1 Approach stabled mares and foals in a calm and confident manner
 - P2 Turn out a mare and foal in accordance with instructions
 - P3 Catch and bring in a mare and foal in accordance with instructions
 - P4 Hold a mare and foal for examination as directed
 - P5 Assist with the weaning process according to procedures
 - P6 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 The normal age for weaning a foal
- K2 Methods of weaning and the reactions of the mare and foal to weaning
- K3 The requirements for introducing mare and foal to a group of horses
- K4 Methods for holding mares and foals for veterinary examination or routine treatments
- K5 Your responsibilities under relevant animal health and welfare and health and safety legislation/codes of practice.

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