
Overview

This standard involves delivering basic health care treatments according to veterinary instructions and legislative requirements. It also involves the recognition and treatment of health problems and minor ailments. This standard applies to all types of horses. You should know where to seek assistance if you have any problems.

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 Store and administer drugs, medication and equipment in accordance with veterinary instructions and health and safety requirements
- P2 Use current and uncontaminated prescribed medication for the intended horse
- P3 Administer the specified treatment using the correct technique and at the stated time and frequency
- P4 Administer emergency procedures when necessary
- P5 Seek assistance without delay when it is not possible to administer the treatment
- P6 Implement appropriate routine care, diet and exercise after treatment
- P7 Observe horses after treatment and report unusual signs immediately
- P8 Take appropriate action if contagious or infectious diseases are anticipated
- P9 Provide clear and accurate information for recording purposes
- P10 Dispose of waste from healthcare treatments correctly
- P11 Monitor and 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 significance of expiry dates on drugs and medication and correct procedures for disposal
- K2 Why it is necessary to interpret medication instructions accurately
- K3 How to use the equipment appropriate to the treatment
- K4 The importance of restraint techniques and minimising stress levels to the safety of the handler and horse
- K5 Cleaning and hygiene procedures to be followed when carrying out treatments e.g. to minimise zoonoses and other communicable diseases
- K6 How to administer treatments and emergency procedures to horses
- K7 The side effects or adverse reactions to medication that might occur
- K8 Procedures for the safe disposal of contaminated and noncontaminated waste and sharps
- K9 Reasons and legislative requirements for 'withdrawal of drugs' - racing, competing or being destroyed
- K10 The legislative requirements for use and storage of drugs
- K11 Records required for management and legislative purposes and the importance of maintaining them
- K12 Appropriate action if contagious or infectious diseases are anticipated or identified
- K13 Risks to horses, yourself and others and how these can be minimised
- K14 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

Administering medication:

- Prescription only medicine
- Over-the-counter medicine
- Wormers.

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**Scope/range
related to
performance
criteria**

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Values

[VALUES]

Behaviours

[BEHAVIOURS]

Skills

[SKILLS]

Glossary

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Links to other NOS

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External Links

[EXTERNAL]

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