
Overview

This standard is about promoting the health and well-being of horses by providing the environment and routine treatments that ensure that the horse remains healthy and content. It also involves the recognition and treatment of health problems and minor ailments. This standard applies to all types of horses.

This standard involves caring for horses so that the risk of injury and illness is minimised, being able to recognise and respond to signs of ill health, and knowing when to summon professional help.

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 Treat horses in a manner which minimises any likelihood of stress, and maintains their health and well-being
- P2 Work with horses in a way that complies with current good practice and legislation
- P3 Monitor the horses' physical condition and behaviour effectively
- P4 Take and record the temperature, pulse and respiration of the horse accurately
- P5 Recognise any abnormal signs and take the appropriate action
- P6 Provide clear and accurate information for recording purposes
- P7 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 How to promote the health and well-being of horses and minimise their stress and injury
- K2 First aid procedures, the treatment of horses and your responsibility under animal welfare legislation
- K3 Why horses need exercise and the exercise requirements for different types of activity
- K4 Signs of health in relation to the appearance, posture and movement, behaviour, and bodily functioning
- K5 Signs of poor health including: ill health, lameness, disease, parasites, infestation, stress and injury, and the actions to take when these conditions are recognised
- K6 How to recognise a 'horse health emergency' and when to call the vet
- K7 The requirements of health and treatment records and why they exist
- K8 The care of horses after specific treatments and procedures (e.g. a colt after gelding)
- K9 Procedures for isolation and sick nursing including bio-security
- K10 The conformation of the horse and its relationship to movement and action
- K11 The basic skeletal and muscular structure
- K12 The basic circulatory and respiratory system
- 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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Scope/range

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Values

[VALUES]

Behaviours

[BEHAVIOURS]

Skills

[SKILLS]

Glossary

[GLOSSARY]

Links to other NOS

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External Links

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