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## Overview

This standard involves tacking up horses for specialist work. You should be able to select, apply and fit the tack for the specified activity, and check that the tack is safe before handing over to the user. You will need to work within timescales.

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 Confirm requirements for tacking up with the appropriate person
  - P2 Select, apply and fit the tack for the specified activity according to requirements
  - P3 Check that the tack is safe before handing over to the user
  - P4 Identify any defective tack and take the appropriate action within the limits of your authority
  - P5 Monitor and maintain the health and safety of horses, self and others during the work

## Knowledge and understanding

*You need to know and understand:*

- K1 Types of specialist work activity and the requirements for tacking up horses
- K2 The types of saddlery, bridles, bits, bandages, boots and other equipment used for specialist work activity
- K3 How the fit of the tack affects the horse's movement
- K4 The dangers of unsafe tack and how to check that the tack is safe
- K5 The limits of your responsibility for dealing with defective tack
- K6 The policy and procedures for tacking up
- K7 Risks to horses, yourself and others and how these can be minimised
- K8 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  
criteria**

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Scope/range  
related to  
knowledge and  
understanding

**Values** [VALUES]

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