
Overview

This standard involves clipping horses according to agreed requirements. It also covers the care and maintenance of clipping equipment. You should be able to handle the horse appropriately during the activity and minimise any stress or injury.

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 the requirements for clipping the horse with the appropriate person
- P2 Prepare the horse, equipment and area for clipping according to requirements
- P3 Select the necessary type of clip to meet requirements
- P4 Restrain the horse using appropriate techniques minimising stress and injury
- P5 Remove any excess coat for the type of clip selected
- P6 Clip coat according to requirements and type of clip selected
- P7 Use and maintain clipping equipment in accordance with laid down procedures
- P8 Care for horses after clipping according to the needs of the horse and laid down procedures
- P9 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 The different types of clip used, including full and partial
- K2 The reasons for clipping horses
- K3 How to clip awkward areas and leg lines
- K4 How to introduce horses to clipping
- K5 The methods of restraint which must be used during clipping
- K6 How to anticipate and deal with horses that are difficult to clip
- K7 Care and maintenance of clipping equipment
- K8 The use of circuit breakers
- K9 Risks to horses, yourself and others and how these can be minimised
- K10 Your responsibilities under relevant animal health and welfare and health and safety legislation/codes of practice.

Additional Information (Delete any sections not needed)

Scope/range

Clip horses:

- Full
- Partial.

Scope/range
related to
performance
criteria

Scope/range
related to
knowledge and
understanding

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