

Overview This standard involves managing the turning out of horses to grass and the routine checking of the horses and the land.

You should be able to assess boundaries, any shelter and check on the behaviour and condition of the horses.

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

Performance criteria

You must be able to:

- P1 Assess that the land boundaries and shelters are suitable and secure
- P2 Ensure that an adequate supply of uncontaminated water is available
- P3 Organise the turning out of horses as appropriate
- P4 Check the behaviour and security of horses regularly and report as necessary
- P5 Organise the catching and bringing in of horses
- P6 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 potential hazards which might occur in moving, releasing and catching horses
- K2 Methods of turning out horses into regular and new grazing land
- K3 How often to check the horse, field and water depending on the time of year and weather
- K4 The types of records required
- K5 How to introduce a new horse into an established group
- K6 The group behaviour of horses
- 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.

Additional Information (Delete any sections not needed)

Scope/range

Scope/range related to performance criteria

Scope/range related to knowledge and understanding

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