

## LANEQ347

### Drive single harness horses for exercise and schooling



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#### Overview

This standard is about being able to drive single harness horses for general routine exercise and schooling purposes. It covers being able to drive single harness horses accurately and effectively in an enclosed area, on off-road tracks and roads.

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 Select horse, vehicle and harness suitable for the intended use
- P2 Carry out pre drive routine safety checks
- P3 Drive using a recognised style of rein handling
- P4 Use the driving whip correctly and appropriately
- P5 Accurately carry out a sequence of driving movements in an enclosed area for the purposes of training, schooling or exercise
- P6 Drive single harness horses on different types of ground
- P7 Halt and move off smoothly from the halt
- P8 Communicate effectively with groom and horse
- P9 Take appropriate action to maintain control of the horse in a range of situations
- P10 Monitor the behaviour of the horse and drive in a way which minimises stress
- P11 Follow relevant legislation and codes of practice when driving
- P12 Maintain safety of self and others and the welfare of the horses at all times.

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### Knowledge and understanding

*You need to know and understand:*

- P1 Your role and responsibilities in driving single harness horses
- P2 How to select the harness and horse drawn vehicles appropriate for the horse and intended use
- P3 How to carry out routine pre drive fitness and suitability checks on the horse
- P4 How to carry out pre drive suitability and safety checks on the harness and vehicle
- P5 How to recognise signs of stress and ill-health in the horse and how to eliminate or minimise these whilst driving
- P6 Correct rein and whip handling techniques
- P7 How to maintain control of the horse whilst driving and stationary
- P8 How to carry out a sequence of driving movements in an enclosed area for the purposes of training, schooling or exercise
- P9 How to drive single harness horses on different types of ground
- P10 How to drive with consideration to, and communicate effectively with, other road users
- P11 How to approach and negotiate road junctions, roundabouts, controlled crossings, stationary vehicles and items on the roadside correctly
- P12 How to maintain control of the driving horse in a range of situations
- P13 How to communicate with and make effective use of the Harness Horse Groom
- P14 How to recognise signs of wear, tear or damage to the harness or vehicle whilst driving, and what actions to take
- P15 Relevant legislation and codes of practice
- P16 How to maintain safety of self and others and the welfare of the horses.

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