

LANEQ403

Manage the training of horses



Overview

This standard is for those who are involved in managing the training of horses including supervising the breaking and riding of horses. This standard also deals with managing and supervising the education of the horse including mouthing, lunging or long reining, backing and riding away and the introduction to the breaking equipment, ground work and backing.

This standard also includes the acceptance of discipline, simple movements and working in the company of other horses.

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Performance criteria

- You must be able to:*
- P1 Develop a programme to train a horse
 - P2 Implement the breaking programme, briefing the handlers and confirming their understanding
 - P3 Control and co-ordinate the successful introduction of the horse to the breaking process
 - P4 Evaluate the horse's progress throughout, and agree and implement any required modifications to the programme
 - P5 Use working practices which are safe and in accordance with yard practice
 - P6 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 develop a plan for training horses
- K2 The importance of evaluating and modifying the plan
- K3 The principles of training horses from eight months to backing
- K4 The use of specialist equipment and use of breaking tack or harness
- K5 The purpose of lunging and long reining in the programme
- K6 Training mishandled or difficult horses
- K7 The psychological and physiological effects that breaking activities may have on the horse
- K8 When to start the programme and the consequences of working immature horses
- K9 Psychological effects of changes in environment
- K10 The effect of introducing horses to simple movements, working in company with other horses, outside influences and traffic
- K11 Risks to horses, yourself and others and how these can be minimised
- K12 Your responsibilities under relevant animal health and welfare and health and safety legislation/codes of practice.

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