LANEQ404 Develop and implement a breeding and rearing policy



Overview

This standard is for those who are involved with stud management and policymaking decisions. It is about the development and implementation of a stud management policy and the selection and management of brood mares, foaling mares, foals, young stock and/or stallions.

This standard involves developing and evaluating the stud management policy, including mare and stallion selection, promotion and use and day-to-day management routines, such as feeding as well as rearing of young stock.

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Performance criteria

You must be able to:	P1	Develop a breeding and rearing policy based on an evaluation of future trends, organisational and market needs, business plan and staff resources
	P2	Ensure that the aims and objectives of the policy conform to legislative requirements and current best practice
	P3	Communicate the policy to all those who will be involved in its implementation
	P4	Oversee the effective implementation of the policy
	P5	Evaluate the policy against stated aims and objectives at agreed intervals
	P6	Act on decisions resulting from the evaluation process promptly.

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 The horse breeding industry, its development and future trends
- K2 The codes of practice and legislative requirements governing the breeding and rearing of horses
- K3 The importance of systematic reviews in improving policy
- K4 The importance of ensuring that policy modifications are implemented and disseminated
- K5 Methods of analysing trends
- K6 Breeding and registration schemes, registration of mares, stallions and foals
- K7 Pedigrees and the selection of mares and stallions for intended use
- K8 Policies on disclosure of information
- K9 The importance of establishing and maintaining records
- K10 Stud terms, fees and methods of payment, the nomination form
- K11 Regulations regarding vaccination, swabbing and venereal diseases
- K12 Dietary and exercise requirements of mares, stallions and young stock
- K13 The role of the veterinary surgeon in effective stud management
- K14 How to formulate insemination policy according to the needs of the mare, stallion and industry.

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