LANEQ501 Train harness horses to an advanced standard



Overview

This standard is about advanced harness horse training. The standard involves training harness horses to a very high standard for specialist work. The types of specialist work include ceremonial events and parades, driving exhibitions, high profile public events, etc.

You will be able to train harness horses to a very high standard to work as high performance harness horses.

The standard includes an expert knowledge and understanding of horse behaviour, and the ability to devise and implement training methods which are humane and effective.

Assess the response to:

- Unusual and excessive noise
- Proximity of large crowds
- Unusual objects and activities
- Working at speed and/or under pressure
- Working in unusual areas.

Performance criteria

You must be able to:

- P1 Identify the purpose for which the horses are to be trained
- P2 Assess horses for suitability for the intended use
- P3 Evaluate the responses of individual horses to high profile, specialist harness horse work
- P4 Devise humane and effective training methods which minimise stress during training
- P5 Implement a training programme designed to train the horses for the intended use
- P6 Select a Harness Horse Driver and Grooms crew to work with the horses
- P7 Train and rehearse the horses and crew for the intended specialist use
- P8 Evaluate the effectiveness of the training programme
- P9 Keep records of the training
- P10 Ensure the safety of self and others and the welfare of the horses at all times.

Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 Your role and responsibilities in training harness horses for specialist high-profile work
- K2 Horse behaviour and temperament, including in relation to:
 - Unusual and excessive noise
 - The proximity of large crowds
 - Unusual objects and activities
 - Working at speed and/or under pressure
 - Working in unusual areas
- K3 How to determine the criteria for selecting horses for specialist work
- K4 How to devise and implement humane and effective training methods
- K5 How to put together combinations of horses for specialist work
- K6 How to work with a driver and Harness Horse Grooms crew whilst training the horses
- K7 How to determine and meet training targets
- K8 How to rehearse horses and crew for specialist work
- K9 The types and importance of keeping records of the training programme
- K10 How to evaluate the effectiveness of training programmes
- K11 How to adapt training programmes for different specialist work
- K12 How to ensure the safety of self and others and the welfare of the

horses in training

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