

Assist with manually manoeuvring horse-drawn vehicles and implements for transportation

Overview

This standard is about being able to assist with manually manoeuvring horse-drawn vehicles and implements for transportation. This also includes manoeuvring for maintenance and storage. It involves being able to assist with lifting light, moderate and heavy weights.

You will be able to assist with pulling, pushing and steering wheeled horse-drawn vehicles, or lifting horse-drawn agricultural implements into the transport vehicle, using winches where fitted, tying down securely for transportation, and replacing in the storage area.

The work described in this standard would be carried out following agreement with a supervisor about the responsibilities and methods of work.

You will need to be fully aware of the importance of health, safety and animal welfare in connection with this activity.

You will need to be able to recognise hazards in the workplace.

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Performance criteria

You must be able to:

1. select and wear appropriate clothing and personal protective equipment for the activity, according to instructions
2. assist with manoeuvring the horse-drawn vehicles or implements into position for transportation
3. use appropriate lifting aids to move the horse-drawn vehicles or implements onto the transport vehicle
4. attach to a winch, where available, and winch onto the transport vehicle
5. secure horse-drawn vehicles or implements for transportation
6. remove the horse-drawn vehicles or implements from the transport vehicle after transportation
7. maintain the safety of yourself and others, and the welfare of the horse, during the activity

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

1. the selection, use and care of personal protective equipment
2. your roles and responsibilities in assisting with manually manoeuvring horse-drawn vehicles and implements for transportation
3. how to steer or lift the horse-drawn vehicles or implements into the correct position for loading onto the transport vehicle
4. how to attach and use a winch correctly
5. how to push, pull or lift the horse-drawn vehicles or implements onto the transport vehicle
6. how to secure the horse-drawn vehicles or implements for transportation
7. how to unload the horse-drawn vehicles or implements following transportation
8. how to assist others to manoeuvre, load and unload horse-drawn vehicles or implements from the transport vehicle
9. the risks to horses, yourself and others and how these can be minimised
10. your responsibilities under relevant animal health and welfare and health and safety legislation and codes of practice.

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