

CERTIFICATE II IN HORSE CARE

NATIONAL ID: ACM20221

This qualification describes the skills and knowledge required for entry level horse care workers, that are required to handle horses. They may also ride horses.

Individuals in these roles perform routine horse care tasks under supervision including stable cleaning, horse handling, feeding, grooming, gear fitting and exercising. They apply solutions to a range of predictable problems and collaborate with others to care for horses and horse environments. Workplaces may include horse agistment, yards, stables, event venues, breeding studs, riding centres, livestock sites, equine veterinary facilities and horse education facilities.



Horse Care Pathways

Equine Studies places students at the beginning of a path towards a career in the equine industry including:

- Racing industry
- Stud work
- Body work and health care
- Vet nursing
- Self-employment
- Stock feeders
- Riding schools
- Horse agistment

Costs

Please refer to the Contributions and Charges information booklet.

Duration

3 Years, half day per week (year 10 to 12)

2 Years, half day per week (year 11 to 12)

Resources

- High-vis VET uniform
- Wide brimmed hat
- Water bottle
- Coursework and Diaries
- Pen/Pencil
- Flat soled boots – riding stream
- Helmet – riding stream

Entry Requirements

There are no entry licensing, legislative or certification requirements that apply to this qualification.

Students that have not achieved a band 8 in their year 9 NAPLAN will be required to sit the Department of Education OLNA (Online Literacy & Numeracy Assessment) to determine the appropriate student supports if required.

Skills/Units

To attain this qualification, you are required to successfully complete 13 units of competency, 5 core and 8 elective units.

CORE UNITS - 240 HOURS		
NATIONAL ID	UNIT TITLE	NOMINAL HOURS
ACMEQU212	HANDLE HORSES SAFELY	90
ACMEQU213	FOLLOW SAFE WORK PRACTICES IN EQUINE INDUSTRIES	35
ACMEQU215	PROVIDE DAILY CARE FOR HORSES	55
ACMEQU216	CHECK AND TREAT HORSES	35
ACMEQU217	LOAD AND UNLOAD HORSES	25
ELECTIVE UNITS		
ACMEQU220	LUNGE EDUCATED HORSES	45
ACMEQU311	PREPARE HORSES FOR PRESENTATION AT AN EVENT	65
HLTAID011	PROVIDE FIRST AID – CONTRACTOR VIA CERTIFICATE II IN AGRICULTURE	
ELECTIVE UNITS - RIDING STREAM 205 HOURS		
ACMEQU218 /206	PERFORM HORSE RIDING SKILLS AT WALK, TROT AND CANTER	70 / 55
ACMEQU202	HANDLE HORSES SAFELY	90
ACMEQU205	APPLY KNOWLEDGE OF HORSE BEHAVIOUR	55
AHCLSK218	RIDE EDUCATED HORSES TO CARRY OUT BASIC STOCK WORK	45
ELECTIVE UNITS - NON RIDING STREAM 330 HOURS		
ACMEQU221	MANAGE PERSONAL HEALTH AND FITNESS FOR WORKING WITH HORSES	25
ACMINF302	FOLLOW EQUINE BIOSECURITY AND INFECTION CONTROL PROCEDURES	55
FSKLRG007	USE STRATEGIES TO IDENTIFY JOB OPPORTUNITIES	10

Certification

Upon successful completion, students will be issued with a qualification. If deemed not competent students will obtain a Statement of Attainment.

Nominal Hours

Students are required to complete the nominal hours provided to be deemed competent in this certificate.

Additional course requirements

- Approximately 1 hour of theory homework per week.
- Expectation that students will attend and practice after-hours to strengthen their understanding and skills.
- Required to do 1 week of morning and night horse care duties

