

Open Awards Qualification Unit



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This unit forms part of a regulated qualification.

1 Unit Details

Unit Title:	Maintain the Health of Horses
QAC Code:	A/507/8506
Level:	Level 1
Credit Value:	6
Minimum GLH:	54

2 Learning Outcomes and Criteria

Learning Outcome (The Learner will):	Assessment Criterion (The Learner can):
1. Be able to identify signs of health in horses	1.1 Identify signs of: a) Good health b) Poor health
	1.2 Identify the physical characteristics of a horse
	1.3 State normal temperature, pulse and respiration of a healthy horse
	1.4 State the normal expectation of the horse's weight
	1.5 State the normal expectation of coat and skin condition
	1.6 State the normal behaviour and feeding habits of a horse
	1.7 State how to physically examine a horse for warmth
	1.8 List factors that can influence the condition and health of horses
	1.9 List the content of a medicine cupboard to treat horses

2. Know how to care for a sick horse	2.1 Prepare a stable for a sick horse
	2.2 List the principles for caring for a sick horse
	2.3 State the importance of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Maintaining a horse's body temperature b) Clean air c) Regular checks and monitoring
	2.4 State the daily water requirements for the horse
3. Know about horse injuries and ailments	3.1 Identify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Possible sites of injury on a horse b) Common ailments in horses
	3.2 Check a horse for injury
	3.3 List the different types of wounds commonly associated with horse injury
	3.4 State the common causes of leg wound
	3.5 Describe the basic treatment of wounds
	3.6 State commonly found skin conditions in horses
	3.7 List the main signs of colic
	3.8 State the need for monitoring and recording treatment
	3.9 State when to call the vet
4. Be able to move the horse in hand and turn out	4.1 Put on equipment to move the horse in hand
	4.2 Walk, trot and turn a horse in hand
	4.3 Turn a horse out into an enclosed space
	4.4 Name the equipment used for moving a horse in hand
	4.5 List the equipment required by the handler to move a horse in hand
	4.6 State the correct procedure for moving a horse in hand in walk, trot and when turning
	4.7 List the safety considerations to be taken into account when turning a horse out into an enclosed space
	4.8 State the process for turning a horse out into an enclosed space