

Access to Higher Education Unit

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Unit Title: Equine Behaviour and Welfare

Graded Unit Reference Number: GA33EQU01

Ungraded Unit Reference Number: UA33EQU01

Module: Equine Studies

Level: Three (3)

Credit Value: Three (3)

Minimum Guided Learning Hours: 30

Learning Outcome (The Learner will):	Assessment Criterion (The Learner can):
1. Demonstrate understanding of Equine behaviour and evolutionary changes	1.1 Describe the adaptations and changes that have occurred during the evolution of the horse including skeletal, physiological changes, and behavioural.
2. Understanding undesirable and stereotypical behaviours	2.1 Compare the differences shown between horses in their natural environment and horses in their domesticated environment.
	2.2 Identify all undesirable and stereotypical behaviours in horses.
	2.3 Describe the long and short-term effects of horses demonstrating these behaviours.
	2.4 Evaluate how the environment causes/effects of these behaviours in horses.
3. Consider animal welfare and the five (5) needs	3.1 Identify the five (5) animal welfare needs and identify legislations that are there to protect animals.
	3.2 Compare and contrast the domestic environment in comparison to their natural environment in relation to meeting the horses five needs.

3.3 Analyse a horse's behaviour in different environments and understand what they communicate through these signs.