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1st4sport Level 1 Diploma in Work Based Horse Care

Qualification Specification





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Qualification Specification

Title:	1st4sport Level 1 Diploma in Work Based Horse Care	
Qualification Overview:	Gives learners the knowledge, confidence and skills to care for horses and carry out general stable management routines under supervision.	
Qualification Code:	L1DWBHQ	
Qualification Regulation Number:	601/4976/0	
Guided Learning Hours (GLH):	369	
Total Qualification Time (TQT):	410	
Credit Value (if applicable):	41	
Operational Start Date:	22/10/2014	
Qualification Review Date:	31/10/2024	
Learner Registration Period:	1 year	
Qualification Objective:	This qualification qualifies learners to care for horses and carry out general stable management routines under supervision.	
Qualification Purpose:	Prepare for employment in a specific occupational area.	

Who is this qualification for?

This qualification is designed for individuals who have an interest in working with horses.

Qualification Progression

This qualification leads to further learning or training in the horseracing industry such as the 1st4sport Level 2 Diploma in Work Based Racehorse Care

Achievement of this qualification will help learners progress to the following job roles:

- Groom
- Yard assistant

Entry Requirements

Learners must be a minimum of 14 years old at registration and 14 years old at certification.

Pre-requisite(s) or other entry requirements



The recognised centre is required to conduct an initial assessment of learners to ensure that pre-requisites to registration and certification and any barriers that may disadvantage a learner under the Equality Act 2010 are considered and outcomes recorded during the application process.

Prior to registration learners are required to:

- be accurately identified
- be at least 14 years of age
- be able to undertake this assessment in English or Welsh (if available)

Assessment Methods

The assessment methods used in this qualification are:

- Coursework (in 20 of 20 mandatory units),
- Practical Demonstration/Assignment (in 20 of 20 mandatory units)

Grading Methods

This qualification will be graded Pass / Fail.



Qualification Structure

Learners must successfully complete all mandatory units to achieve this qualification.

Mandatory Units		
Unit ID	Unit Title	GLH
M/600/0413	Assist with putting on and taking off horse rugs	18
R/600/0422	Assist with cleaning tack and horse clothing	18
L/600/3089	Principles of putting on and taking off tack	9
D/600/0407	Assist with putting on and taking off tack	27
R/600/3093	Principles of cleaning tack and horse clothing	18
J/600/3091	Principles of putting on and taking off horse rugs	18
T/600/0428	Principles of leading and controlling a horse for inspection under direction	9
H/600/0425	Lead and control a horse for inspection under direction	18
J/600/0434	Principles of catching and moving horses under direction	9
A/600/0432	Catch and move horses under direction	18
A/600/0379	Principles of maintaining good working relations with others	9
J/600/2460	Maintain Health and Safety in the Workplace	27
M/600/0461	Principles of feeding and watering horses	18
A/600/0463	Assist with feeding and watering horses	18
F/600/0464	Principles of cleaning the stables and yard	27
J/600/0465	Assist with cleaning the stables and yard	36
D/502/5653	Principles of grooming and washing horses under direction	9
K/502/5655	Groom and wash horses under direction	27
T/600/2471	Principles of Maintaining Health and Safety in the Workplace	18
D/600/0374	Maintain good working relations with others	18

Optional Units

There are no optional units in this qualification

Pathway Units (where applicable)

There are no pathway units in this qualification



Unit Title	Assist with putting on and taking off horse rugs
Unit Aim	This unit is about the practical skills to assist with putting on and taking off horse rugs. Although working under supervision, learners should be able to work safely and understand safe working practices.
Unique Unit Number	M/600/0413
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.

Learning Outcome: 1. be able to assist with putting on and taking off horse rugs		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 put on rugs according to instructions, to include under rugs and top rugs	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.2 remove, fold and store rugs according to instructions	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.3 report any problems and potential hazards to the appropriate person	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.4 adjust rugs under supervision	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	

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Learning Outcome: 2. Be able to work safely		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 maintain the health, safety and security of horse, self and others during the work	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	

Unit Title	Catch and move horses under direction	
Unit Aim	This unit is about the routine catching and moving of horses, including turning out and catching up from paddocks. Although working under direction you should be able to work safely and understand safe working practices.	
Unique Unit Number	A/600/0432	
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment	
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.	

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Learning Outcome: 1. Be able to catch and move horses		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 Check the enclosure for safety and security of the horses and report to the appropriate person		
1.2 Approach and catch the horses in a manner which minimises risk		
1.3 Identify horses to be moved and remove carefully from the enclosure using an appropriate method		
1.4 Move horses to the required enclosure maintaining health, safety and welfare		
1.5 Re-establish horse in the required enclosure		

Learning Outcome: 2. Be able to select, use and maintain relevant equipment		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 Select appropriate equipment for this area of work		
2.2 Prepare, maintain and store equipment in a safe and effective working condition		

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Learning Outcome: 3. Be able to work safely		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
3.1 Work in a way which maintains health and safety and security of horse, self and others during work which is consistent with relevant legislation, codes of practice and any additional requirements		

Unit Title	Principles of maintaining good working relations with others
Unit Aim	This unit is about establishing and maintaining good working relations with others. This includes working with colleagues as well as visitors to the workplace.
Unique Unit Number	A/600/0379
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.

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Learning Outcome: 1. Know the principals of maintaining good working relations with others		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 State how to communicate effectively with others		
1.2 State the roles and responsibilities of the people within the organisation		
1.3 Describe the advantage of effective teamwork		
1.4 Explain why visitors should be dealt with courteously		
1.5 Describe the need for security within the workplace		
1.6 Outline the reasons why personal progress should be reviewed and with whom		
1.7 Explain why any unresolved difficulties are referred to the appropriate person		

Learning Outcome: 2. Know relevant health and safety legislation and environmental good practice		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 Outline the current health and safety legislation, codes of practice and any additional requirements		

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Unit Title	Maintain Health and Safety in the Workplace	
Unit Aim	This unit is about having the knowledge and understanding in relation to the important areas of health and safety in the workplace. This includes how to recognise and report hazards, comply with legislation and codes of practice, use equipment safely, report accidents, wear the correct clothing for the job, use safe lifting techniques and dispose of waste.	
Unique Unit Number	J/600/2460	
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment	
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.	

Learning Outcome: 1. Be able to maintain health and safety in the workplace		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 Recognise hazards and report them to the appropriate person		
1.2 Keep your own work area tidy at all times		
1.3 Report accidents promptly and in accordance with legal and organisational policy		
1.4 Wear clothing which is consistent with good health and safety practice		
1.5 Use safe techniques for lifting or moving heavy and awkward items		

Learning Outcome: 2. Be able to select, use and maintain relevant equipment		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 Select appropriate equipment for this area of work		
2.2 Use equipment according to relevant legislation and manufacturer's instructions		
2.3 Prepare, maintain and store equipment in a safe and effective working condition		

Learning Outcome: 3. Be able to work safely and minimise environmental damage		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
3.1 Work in a way which maintains health, safety and security of horse, self and others during work; consistent with relevant legislation, codes of practice and any additional requirements		
3.2 Carry out work in a manner which minimises environmental damage		
3.3 Dispose of waste safely and correctly		



Unit Title	Principles of feeding and watering horses	
Unit Aim	This unit is about having the knowledge and understanding of how to provide food and water to stabled and grass kept horses.	
Unique Unit Number	M/600/0461	
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment	
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.	

Learning Outcome: 1. Know how to provide feed and water to stabled and grazing horses		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 Describe methods of feeding and watering horses throughout the year		
1.2 State the normal feeding habits of horses and why it is important to report any changes		
1.3 List the types of changes in horses' feeding habits which may occur		
1.4 State how equipment should be cleaned, maintained and stored		
1.5 State the hygiene requirements of horses, self and others		
1.6 State changes in horses' behaviour at feeding time and safety awareness		

Learning Outcome: 2. Know how to work safely		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 State the health and safety policy, and own responsibility under health and safety legislation		
2.2 State how waste should be disposed of		
2.3 State health and safety practice when feeding, including groups of loose horses		

Unit Title	Assist with feeding and watering horses	
Unit Aim	This unit is about having the practical skills to assist with feeding and watering stabled and grass kept horses. Although working under supervision you should be able to work safely and understand safe working practices.	
Unique Unit Number	A/600/0463	
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment	
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.	

Learning Outcome: 1. Be able to assist with providing feed and water for stabled and grazing horses		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 Feed horses according to instructions, to include both forage and concentrate		
1.2 Supply horses with water using the correct sources, system and quantities		
1.3 Report any changes in the feeding and drinking habits of horse to the appropriate person		
1.4 Clean and replace equipment, ensuring it is ready for use		



Learning Outcome: 2. Be able to work safely		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 Dispose of waste from feeding safely and correctly		
2.2 Maintain the health and safety of horses, self and others		
2.3 Correctly identify and report any hazards to the appropriate person		

Unit Title	Principles of cleaning the stables and yard	
Unit Aim	This unit is about having the knowledge and understanding to clean stables and yard, including mucking out and bedding down.	
Unique Unit Number	F/600/0464	
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment	
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.	

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Learning Outcome: 1. Know how to clean stables and yard		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 State the horses' basic welfare requirements and how to maintain their health and wellbeing		
1.2 List the types of bedding used in stables to maintain horses' health and wellbeing		
1.3 State how to handle horses and tie horses up safely and securely		
1.4 List the types of equipment used when cleaning stables and describe how to use and store them correctly		
1.5 Give reasons for personal hygiene as it applies to working on the yard		
1.6 State reporting procedures and to whom faults and defects should be reported		



Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete
2.1 State own responsibilities under animal welfare and health and safety legislation		
2.2 List types of hazards that may be present in stables and yard and state how these should be removed or controlled		
2.3 State health and safety implications associated with drains and muck heaps and how to dispose of waste safely and correctly		
2.4 State the correct use of disinfectants and legislative requirements that apply to their use		
2.5 State the procedures in icy and adverse weather conditions		



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Unit Title	Assist with cleaning the stables and yard	
Unit Aim	This unit is about having the practical skills to assist with mucking out and bedding down. It also involves sweeping up, and cleaning of feeding and watering equipment. Although working under supervision you should be able to work safely and understand safe working practices.	
Unique Unit Number	J/600/0465	
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment	
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.	

Learning Outcome: 1. Be able to assist with cleaning stables		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 Tie the horse up safely and securely		
1.2 Clean stables to include skip out, full muck out and disinfection		
1.3 Dispose of waste according to instructions		
1.4 Select bedding and bed down according to instructions		
1.5 Replace water and food containers when cleaning is complete		
1.6 Replace equipment according to instructions		

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Learning Outcome: 2. Assist with cleaning the yard		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 Keep the yard clean and maintain the muck area in accordance with instructions		
2.2 Clean surface drains to ensure the free flow of excess water		
2.3 Report faults and defects immediately to the appropriate person		

Learning Outcome: 3. Be able to work safely		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
3.1 Maintain the health and safety and welfare of horses, self and others		
3.2 Correctly identify and report any hazards to the appropriate person		
3.3 Select, check and use equipment correctly		

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Unit Title	Principles of grooming and washing horses under direction	
Unit Aim	This unit is about having the knowledge and understanding to groom and wash horses before and after exercise. It includes washing and sponging off.	
Unique Unit Number	D/502/5653	
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment	
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.	

Learning Outcome: 1. Know how to groom and wash horses		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 Describe the dangers of a dusty environment.		
1.2 Describe the dangers of wearing perfume and jewellery.		
1.3 Describe the different types of grooming techniques and when to use them.		
1.4 Describe importance of drying legs after washing		
1.5 Describe different grooming requirements of stabled and grass kept horses		
1.6 State the reasons why changes in the condition of the shoes (e.g. loose, lost, damaged) must be reported.		
1.7 Identify the items of the grooming kit.		

Learning Outcome: 2. Know the types of equipment required and how to maintain them.		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 Describe the equipment which will be required for the activity and are commonly used		
2.2 Describe the methods of maintaining the range of equipment in a fit state for use.		

Learning Outcome: 3. Know relevant health and safety legislation and environmental good practice.		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
3.1 Outline the current health and safety legislation, codes of practice and any additional requirements.		
3.2 Describe how environmental damage can be minimised.		
3.3 Describe the correct methods for disposing of organic and inorganic waste.		

Unit Title	Groom and wash horses under direction	
Unit Aim	This unit is about grooming, washing and sponging horses off prior to and after exercise, under direction. Although working under direction you should be able to work safely and understand safe working practices.	
Unique Unit Number	K/502/5655	
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment	
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.	



Learning Outcome: 1. Be able to groom and wash horses		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 Wash feet and legs according to the approved method	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.2 Wash tail according to the approved method	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.3 Sponge the horse down in accordance with instructions	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.4 Groom the horse ready for exercise	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.5 Groom the horse after exercise	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.6 Report concerns regarding changes in the condition of the shoes to the appropriate person	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.7 Identify and report hazards to the appropriate person	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	



Learning Outcome: 2. Be able to select, use and maintain relevant equipment		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 Select and use grooming or other appropriate equipment according to instruction	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
2.2 Prepare, maintain and store grooming or other appropriate equipment correctly after use to ensure that equipment is in a safe and effective working condition.	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	

Learning Outcome: 3. Be able to work safely		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
3.1 Work in a way which maintains health and safety and security of horse, self and others during work which is consistent with relevant legislation, codes of practice and any additional requirements	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	

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Unit Title	Principles of Maintaining Health and Safety in the Workplace
Unit Aim	This unit is about having the knowledge and understanding in relation to the important areas of health and safety in the workplace. This includes how to recognise and report hazards, comply with legislation and codes of practice, use equipment safely, report accidents, wear the correct clothing for the job, use safe lifting techniques and dispose of waste.
Unique Unit Number	T/600/2471
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.

Learning Outcome: 1. Know the principles of maintaining health and safety in the workplace		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 Identify the types of hazards which may be present and to whom these should be reported	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.2 Describe fire and accident procedures	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.3 Describe safe lifting and handling techniques	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.4 Describe methods of minimising the contamination of edible materials when moving them around the work area	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.5 Describe methods of stacking materials safely	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	



Learning Outcome: 2. Know relevant health and safety legislation and environmental good practice		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 Outline the current health and legislation, codes of practice and any additional requirements	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
2.2 Describe how environmental damage can be minimised	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
2.3 Describe the correct methods for disposing of waste	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	

Learning Outcome: 3. Know the types of equipment required and how to maintain them		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
3.1 Describe the equipment which will be required for the activity	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
3.2 Describe the methods of maintaining the range of equipment in a fit state for use	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	

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Unit Title	Assist with cleaning tack and horse clothing
Unit Aim	This unit is about the practical skills to assist with cleaning tack and horse clothing. Although working under supervision, learners should be able to work safely and understand safe working practices.
Unique Unit Number	R/600/0422
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.

Learning Outcome: 1. be able to assist with cleaning tack and horse clothing		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 carry out routine cleaning of tack and horse clothing according to instructions	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.2 identify and report faults and defects in tack and horse clothing to the appropriate person	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.3 identify and report any hazards to the appropriate person	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	

Learning Outcome: 2. Be able to work safely		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 maintain the health and safety and security of self and others during the work	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	

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Unit Title	Maintain good working relations with others
Unit Aim	This unit is about establishing and maintaining good working relations with others. This includes working with colleagues as well as visitors to the workplace.
Unique Unit Number	D/600/0374
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.

Learning Outcome: 1. Be able to maintain good working relations with others		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 Communicate effectively with others	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.2 Greet and assist visitors courteously	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.3 Take part in reviews of your progress with the appropriate person and at suitable intervals	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	
1.4 Seek advice and clarification if there are aspects of your work which are unclear	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	



Learning Outcome: 2. Be able to work safely and minimise environmental damage		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 Work in a way which maintains health and safety and security of horse, self and others during work which is consistent with relevant legislation, codes of practice and any additional requirements	There is no mandatory content for this criteria	

Unit Title	Principles of putting on and taking off tack
Unit Aim	This unit is about having the knowledge and understanding to rug up a horse. It is also about removing and storing rugs.
Unique Unit Number	L/600/3089
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.

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Learning Outcome: 1. Know how to put on and take off tack		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 State how to recognise if the tack is likely to cause the horse discomfort or be unsafe		
1.2 State how to secure the horse if it needs to be left when tacked up		
1.3 List the parts of the bridle and basic parts of the saddle, and the individual horse's equipment		
1.4 Describe horse identification through colours and markings		
1.5 State how to tack up and un-tack horses		
1.6 State the types of difficulties which may occur and to whom these should be reported		
1.7 State how and where to store tack		

Learning Outcome: 2. Know how to work safely		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 State safety precautions to be taken while tacking up		

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Unit Title	Assist with putting on and taking off tack
Unit Aim	This unit is about having the practical skills to assist with putting on and taking off tack and exercise boots. Although working under supervision you should be able to work safely and understand safe working practices.
Unique Unit Number	D/600/0407
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment
Assessment Specification	Tacking up a horse to include: •Simple snaffle •Bridle •Neck strap •Saddle •Numnah •Exercise boots The knowledge and understanding for this unit is supported by Unit L/600/3089 Principles of putting on and taking off tack.

Learning Outcome: 1. Be able to assist with putting on and taking off tack		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 State how to recognise if the tack is likely to cause the horse discomfort or be unsafe		
1.2 State how to secure the horse if it needs to be left when tacked up		
1.3 List the parts of the bridle and basic parts of the saddle, and the individual horse's equipment		
1.4 Describe horse identification through colours and markings		
1.5 State how to tack up and un-tack horses		
1.6 State the types of difficulties which may occur and to whom these should be reported		
1.7 State how and where to store tack		

Learning Outcome: 2. Be able to work safely		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 State safety precautions to be taken while tacking up		

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Unit Title	Principles of cleaning tack and horse clothing
Unit Aim	This unit is about having the knowledge and understanding to clean tack and horse clothing. It also includes checking tack for safety.
Unique Unit Number	R/600/3093
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.

Learning Outcome: 1. Know how to clean tack and horse clothing		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 State the dangers of unsafe stitching or damaged tack		
1.2 Give the reasons for regular cleaning of tack and clothing		
1.3 State the problems vermin may cause when storing tack		
1.4 State how to store clothing and tack		
1.5 Identify the basic parts of the saddle and bridle		
1.6 State how to carry out routine cleaning of tack and clothing		
1.7 State how to use cleaning equipment		

Learning Outcome: 2. Know how to work safely		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 Describe health and safety requirements within the workplace		



Unit Title	Principles of putting on and taking off horse rugs
Unit Aim	This unit is about having the knowledge and understanding to rug up a horse. It is also about removing and storing rugs.
Unique Unit Number	J/600/3091
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.

Learning Outcome: 1. Know how to put on and take off horse rugs		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 State the potential hazards when using rugs with leg straps		
1.2 Give the reasons for ensuring the rugs are applied correctly		
1.3 State the procedure to follow if rugs slip		
1.4 State how to apply and remove a horse rug		
1.5 State how to fold and store rugs		
1.6 State the types of problems which may occur and to whom they should be reported		



Learning Outcome: 2. Know how to work safely		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 State safety precautions to be taken whilst putting on and taking off horse rugs		

Unit Title	Principles of leading and controlling a horse for inspection under direction
Unit Aim	This unit is about having the knowledge and understanding of how to stand up, lead and control a horse under direction. It also includes selecting and using suitable tack and equipment.
Unique Unit Number	T/600/0428
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.

Learning Outcome: 1. Know the principles of leading and controlling a horse for inspection		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 State when it is necessary to control horses and describe the potential dangers involved		
1.2 State the reasons for safety procedures and identify protective clothing		
1.3 Identify precautions to be taken when controlling horses		
1.4 Describe the methods for controlling the horse		
1.5 Describe the correct use of tack		
1.6 State the types of inspection and healthcare procedures which are used		

Learning Outcome: 2. Know the relevant health and safety legislation and environmental good practice		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 Outline the current health and safety legislation, codes of practice and any additional requirements		

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Learning Outcome: 3. Know the types of equipment required and how to maintain them		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
3.1 Describe the equipment which will be required for the activity		
3.2 Describe the methods of maintaining the range of equipment ready for use		

Unit Title	Lead and control a horse for inspection under direction	
Unit Aim	This unit is about having the practical skills to stand up, lead and control a horse under direction. You should be able to select and fit suitable tack and equipment. Although working under direction you should be able to work safely and understand safe working practices.	
Unique Unit Number	H/600/0425	
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment	
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.	

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Learning Outcome: 1. Be able to lead and control a horse for inspection		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 Maintain control of the horse by using suitable tack and control techniques including with a head collar and bridle		
1.2 Move the horse for health and soundness inspections according to instructions		
1.3 Lead and control the horse in accordance with instructions		
1.4 Wear the appropriate protective clothing		

Learning Outcome: 2. Be able to select, use and maintain relevant equipment		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 Select appropriate equipment for this area of work		
2.2 Prepare, maintain and store equipment in a safe and effective working condition		

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Learning Outcome: 3. Be able to work safely		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
3.1 Work in a way which maintains health and safety and security of horse, self and others during work which is consistent with relevant legislation, codes of practice and any additional requirements		

Unit Title	Principles of catching and moving horses under direction	
Unit Aim	This unit is about having the knowledge and understanding of how to catch and move horses, including turning out and catching up from paddocks.	
Unique Unit Number	J/600/0434	
Unit Assessment Method(s)	- Coursework - Practical Demonstration/Assignment	
Assessment Specification	There are no additional assessment requirements.	

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Learning Outcome: 1. Know the principles of catching and moving horses under direction		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
1.1 Describe the correct method of handling horses		
1.2 Describe how to identify horses including basic external points of the horse, colours and markings		
1.3 State the importance of approaching horses in a calm, safe manner which promotes confidence		
1.4 Describe how to move horses safely and correctly		
1.5 Describe how to establish horses in the new location		
1.6 Describe how to check that the area is safe and secure		

Learning Outcome: 2. Know the types of equipment required and how to maintain them		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
2.1 Describe the equipment that will be required for the activity		
2.2 Describe the methods of maintaining the range of equipment in a fit state for use		

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Learning Outcome: 3. Know the relevant health and safety legislation and environmental good practice		
Assessment Criteria The learner can:	Mandatory Delivery Content The learner will develop an understanding of:	Evidence Requirements The learner is required to complete:
3.1 Outline the current health and safety legislation, codes of practice and any additional requirements		

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Qualification Conditions: Delivery and assessment requirements

To complete the delivery, assessment, and internal quality assurance of the qualification, providers will be required to adhere to the guidance set out in the Recognised Centre Handbook.

Qualification Approval Conditions: Workforce requirements

In addition to the workforce requirements stated in the Recognised Centre Handbook, the following qualification specific requirements must be met and evidenced.

Tutor(s):

For this qualification, the minimum requirements stated in the centre handbook do not apply. Centres must ensure that all workforce meet the requirements stated below.

The recognised centre is required to recruit and deploy a minimum of one BHA-approved tutor who is required to:

- have up-to-date technical and occupational competence in basic horse care eg. working directly with horses
- be deemed more occupationally competent than the learner(s) they tutor

Tutorrs must attend an induction into the qualification before they can tutor it. It is expected that the recognised centre will provide this training.

Tutors must declare any conflict of interest they may have at a centre to allow this to be appropriately managed.

Assessor(s):

For this qualification, the minimum requirements stated in the centre handbook do not apply. Centres must ensure that all workforce meet the requirements stated below.

The recognised centre is required to recruit and deploy a minimum of one BHA-approved assessor who is required to:

- have up-to-date technical and occupational competence in basic horse care eg. working directly with horses
- be deemed more occupationally competent than the learner(s) they assess

Assessors must attend an induction into the qualification before they can assess it. It is expected that the recognised centre will provide this training.

Assessors must declare any conflict of interest they may have at a centre to allow this to be appropriately managed.

Internal Verifier(s) and Quality Assurer(s):



For this qualification, the minimum requirements stated in the centre handbook do not apply. Centres must ensure that all workforce meet the requirements stated below.

The recognised centre is required to recruit and deploy a minimum of one BHA-approved internal verifier who is required to:

- have up-to-date occupational competence in basic horse care eg. working directly with horses
- be deemed more occupationally competent than the learner(s) they are quality assuring

Internal verifiers must attend an induction into the qualification before they can quality assure it. It is expected that the recognised centre will provide this training.

Additional Qualification Requirements

This qualification is regulated by Ofgual (601/4976/0), CCEA and QiW (C00/1300/1 - Regulated).



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