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Assessment Requirements for RGRHBR201

Assist with oestrus detection in mares

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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with RGR Racing and Breeding Training Package Version 3.0.

Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.

There must be evidence that the individual has assisted with oestrus detection in at least four different mares, including at least one with foal at foot, including:

- observed mare behaviour to identify when in season
- assisted with hand teasing processes for two wet and two dry mares
- prepared relevant materials and equipment
- prepared and cleaned up work areas and equipment, and recorded relevant information
- recorded details of mare examination and status of cycle.

Knowledge Evidence

An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:

- principles and practices for assisting with oestrus detection
- animal welfare principles and practices relevant to handling mares and foals
- common horse breeding terminology related to oestrus detection
- various classes of breeding stock and likely behaviour characteristics
- oestrus cycle and heat detection in mares
- types and purpose of recordkeeping systems
- safe work practices for assisting with oestrus detection in mares:
 - safe horse handling techniques
 - types and purpose of personal protective equipment (PPE)
- procedures for cleaning, hygiene, infection control/biosecurity and waste disposal.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - a workplace or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions, including teasing yard, stud veterinary facilities, breeding crush and foal pen
- specifications:
 - work instructions for assisting with oestrus detection in mares
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - a range of live mares in oestrus assessed as suitable for the experience and skill of the individual
 - appropriate tack for individual, horse and activity
 - equipment and cleaning materials
 - PPE correctly fitted and applicable for task for individual.

Training and assessment strategies must show evidence of the use of guidance provided in the *Companion Volume: User Guide: Safety in Equine Training*.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: - <https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=5c4b8489-f7e1-463b-81c8-6ecce6c192a0>