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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:

- carried out natural mating preparation and service procedures for at least three mares, including:
 - two with a foal at foot
 - one maiden mare
- maintained accurate records of mating and breeding activities for each individual horse.

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 relevant to mare mating procedures:
 - relevant horse breeding terminology
 - relevant anatomy and physiology of male and female reproductive systems in horses, including conception and gestation
 - common infertility in mares and what may be treated by veterinarians
 - oestrus cycle in mares and dioestrus behaviour and its detection
- safe work practices:
 - safe horse handling techniques
 - hazard and risk identification and minimisation
 - personal protective equipment (PPE)
 - biosecurity, hygiene and infection control practices relevant to mating procedures
- key regulatory requirements relating to animal welfare
- mare identification methods, including mare status and stallion booking
- procedures for preparation for mating, including:

- uterine swabbing and treatment
- role of veterinarians in carrying out follicle and pregnancy testing
- mare handling procedures, including types and purpose of different handling restraints
- workplace recording and reporting procedures, including stud recordkeeping requirements.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - a workplace with teasing yards, stud veterinary facilities, breeding area or barn and foal restraint areas
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - mares to be mated, assessed as suitable for the experience and skill of the individual
 - at least one working stallion and teaser
 - tack, equipment and restraints required for teasing and natural mating
 - personal protective equipment (PPE) correctly fitted and applicable to activity for the individual
- specifications:
 - workplace recording and reporting forms or systems
 - work instructions or program for carrying out mating procedures.

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>