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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with RGR Racing and Breeding Training Package Version 2.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to apply advanced track riding skills, participate in professional riding arrangements with trainers, and introduce horses to practice barriers.

The unit applies to individuals, with experience in trackwork riding, who use specialised skills and knowledge to develop advanced trackwork riding skills.

All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, in accordance with applicable state/territory animal welfare and workplace health and safety legislative requirements.

Licensing, legislative, regulatory or certification requirements apply to this unit. Users are advised to check with the relevant Principal Racing Authority (PRA) for current requirements.

Pre-requisite Unit

The prerequisite unit of competency for this unit is:

- RGRPSH307 Exercise horses in pacework.

Note the following chain of prerequisites that also apply to this unit.

Unit of competency	Prerequisite requirement
RGRPSH307 Exercise horses in pacework	RGRPSH306 Develop basic trackwork riding skills
RGRPSH306 Develop basic trackwork riding skills	RGRPSH205 Perform basic riding skills in the racing industry
RGRPSH205 Perform basic riding skills in the racing industry	RGRPSH201 Handle racehorses in stables and at trackwork

Unit Sector

Performance services horse (PSH)

Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements	Performance Criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	*Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.*
1. Apply advanced trackwork riding skills	1.1 Assess hazards and risks associated with trackwork activity 1.2 Warm up and warm down horses from working pace and exercise in a balanced manner in all required gaits 1.3 Ride out up the straight, evaluating the pace of horse, and maintain for required times and distances as instructed by trainer 1.4 Apply the rules and etiquette for riding on fast work tracks 1.5 Follow safe entry and exit procedures to all tracks
2. Participate in professional riding arrangements with trainers	2.1 Comply with trainer instructions 2.2 Apply professional judgement according to the circumstances 2.3 Ensure personal fitness levels meet requirements of specified trackwork 2.4 Evaluate the performance of the horse and report to trainer or foreman
3. Introduce horse to practice barriers	3.1 Confirm arrangements to use practice barriers 3.2 Enter horses into and ride from practice barriers in a safe manner 3.3 Identify and address common barrier problems and report to trainer or foreman

Foundation Skills

This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria.

Skill	Description

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Numeracy	• Use basic arithmetic to estimate and calculate speed, distance and time
Navigate the world of work	• Follow racing rules and workplace procedures, including safety and animal welfare requirements, associated with own work and role
Interact with others	• Adhere to track driving etiquette in interactions with others • Follow industry-accepted practices for receiving trainer or foreman instructions and reporting horse performance
Get the work done	• Follow instructions, sequence tasks and prepare equipment required for trackwork and controlling horses • Take responsibility for and make routine decisions relating to safety, safe horse handling and trackwork within limits of own role

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
RGRPSH404 Ride horses at trackwork	RGRPSH404A Ride horses at trackwork	Updated to meet Standards for Training Packages. Addition of performance criteria to address safety.	Equivalent unit

Links

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