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**Assessment Requirements for RGRPSH425
Advise on transitioning and rehoming
horses**

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Modification History

| Release | Comments |
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| 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:

- developed a portfolio of information about options and services for re-educating, rehoming and end-of-life options for horses
- researched history and breeding of three horses, and recorded options for their transition to new purposes and/or environments
- provided advice to one current owner on the processes for transitioning horses to new purposes and/or environments or end-of-life options
- provided advice to one new owner, including tailored advice about the transitioned horse, and provided follow-up support.

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:

- state and national regulatory requirements and industry codes of practice relevant to transitioning horses to new purposes, including:
 - animal welfare
 - racing industry
 - work health and safety requirements relating to interacting with horses and duty of care
 - humane euthanasia
- alternative purposes or uses for horses, including:
 - pleasure/recreational riding
 - equestrian performance disciplines, including: dressage, showing, show jumping, polo, polocrosse, western/sporting
 - trail horse, endurance horse

- working horses, including: law enforcement/mounted security, stock work, clerks of the course
- therapy animals, companion animals (nannies) on breeding studs
- permanent retirement, sanctuaries, full care agistment
- key considerations related to options for transitioning horses to new purposes and/or environments, including:
 - previous use of horse
 - horse soundness, short-term and long-term prognosis
 - experience level of owner/s, rider/s, driver/s
 - age, size and weight of new owner if to be used for riding
 - breeding of horse and potential to use for breeding purpose
 - age and condition of horse
- traits required for horses to move to new purposes, including:
 - equestrian sports – competition
 - recreation
 - riding schools/Riding for the Disabled
 - trail riding
 - stock work
- key requirements of consumer protection and contracts relating to horse ownership, sales and purchases
- processes for matching potential owner to horse
- key requirements and costs of horse re-education, welfare and care, including:
 - housing and feeding
 - routine health care
 - exercise
 - access to veterinarians, farrier and other health professionals
- strategies for ongoing management of individual horse behaviours and conditions
- strategies for addressing options related to horse aged care, quality of life decisions and euthanasia
- strategies for dealing with returns of horses.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - a workplace or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - access to a suitable range of horses and their histories
- relationships:
 - current and potential horse owners.

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>