Modification history

Release	Comments
Release 2	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 3.0.
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 1.0.

ACMHBR301	Transport horses
Application	This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to safely and efficiently transport horses to a destination. The unit applies to individuals who work under broad direction and take responsibility for their own work. They complete routine activities and work in a range of known contexts within horse breeding environments. No occupational licensing or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication. Work health and safety and animal welfare legislation relevant to interacting with horses applies to workers in this industry. Requirements vary between industry sectors and state/territory jurisdictions. Users are advised to check with the relevant authority for specific requirements.
Prerequisite Unit	Prerequisite unit of competency for this unit is: • ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely. Note the following chain of prerequisites that also applies to this unit. | Unit of competency	Prerequisite requirement
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ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely	ACMEQU205 Apply knowledge of horse behaviour	
Unit Sector	Horse Breeding (HBR)

Elements	Performance Criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	*Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.*
1. Prepare to transport horses	1.1 Check directions for transport and identify horses to be loaded 1.2 Determine transport requirements, including vehicle configuration and engage a suitable carrier 1.3 Select and correctly fit personal protective equipment for safe loading and/or unloading of horses 1.4 Select gear and equipment for loading horse and check gear for safety 1.5 Assess and control risks associated with transporting horses at all stages 1.6 Obtain permits or complete documentation according to workplace or regulatory requirements
2. Load horses	2.1 Identify and control existing and potential hazards and safety risks to handler and horse when loading and unloading horses 2.2 Assess horses to confirm suitable condition for transporting 2.3 Fit gear correctly and prepare horses for loading to transport according to workplace procedures 2.4 Load and positon horses according to transport configuration and secure using safe horse handling techniques and restraints
3. Monitor, transport and unload horses	3.1 Ensure horses are transported with minimal stress and discomfort 3.2 Check horses regularly throughout the journey and unload for feeding and watering according to animal welfare standards and practices 3.3 Unload horses using safe and humane handling techniques 3.4 Monitor horse condition and welfare after transport and provide appropriate feed and water

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Elements describe the essential outcomes.	*Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.*
4. Complete transportation operations	4.1 Clean, maintain and secure vehicle, equipment and facilities according to workplace requirements 4.2 Document transport information according to workplace procedures and regulatory requirements for the transport of livestock, including horses

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**
Reading	• Interpret key information in written instructions and carrier specifications
Numeracy	• Use basic arithmetic to calculate distance and time, and horse numbers and weight, to determine carrier arrangements
Navigate the world of work	• Follow workplace safety procedures and animal welfare standards and guidelines to meet expectations relating to own role and area of responsibility
Interact with others	• Work cooperatively with other personnel using clear communication techniques to load and unload, and transport horses safely
Get the work done	• Plan, organise and monitor safe horse handling and transportation activities • Make decisions based on assessment of risks and options, and adapt plans as required within limits of work role

Unit Mapping Information			
Code and title current version	**Code and title previous version**	**Comments**	**Equivalence status**
ACMHBR301 Transport horses Release 2	ACMHBR301 Transport horses Release 1	Minor changes to strengthen animal welfare and safety in performance criteria. Revised performance evidence to reduce duplication of PCs and additional points to knowledge evidence.	Equivalent unit

Links	Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: https://vetnet.education.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103

TITLE	Assessment requirements for ACMHBR301 Transport horses

Performance Evidence

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

There must be evidence that the individual has:
- transported at least three different horses to two different locations, including for each occasion:
    - prepared horses and organised transport
    - loaded and unloaded horses using safe handling techniques
    - monitored welfare of horses at all stages.

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:
- requirement for preparing horse transport vehicles for loading different classes of horses:
    - pregnant mares
    - mares and foals
    - weanlings
    - yearlings
    - colts
    - stallions
- suitability of transport for different horses, including:
    - load capacity
    - design, configuration and layout
    - monitoring technology
- strategies and techniques for preparing different classes of horses for transport
- assessing and controlling risks associated with transporting horses
- animal welfare requirements, including:
    - overview of animal welfare frameworks
    - regulations for transporting livestock, including horses
- animal welfare considerations relevant to transporting horses, including:
    - distance to be travelled, rest breaks
    - air quality and flow of air
    - restraints
    - weather (temperature and humidity)
    - specific requirements relating to type or breed of horse
- workplace policies for use of vehicles and equipment
- safe methods of handling and loading horses
- safe use of restraints
- industry and legislative requirements for the transporting of horses, including biosecurity requirements
- relevant documentation requirements and procedures.

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:
    - various horses for transport, including different classes of horses assessed as suitable for the experience and skill of the individual
    - carrier and/or vehicle (or float) to transport horses
    - appropriate tack and equipment for loading and transporting horses
    - personal protective equipment correctly fitted and applicable to activity for the individual
- specifications
    - work instructions and workplace documentation.

Assessment Conditions
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.

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