Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 5.0.

ACM40X21	**Certificate IV in Equine Allied Health Services** **OR Equine Paraprofessional Services OR ??**

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Qualification Description

This qualification describes the skill and knowledge for work activities undertaken by an equine service provider who is engaged or employed to provide allied health treatments, care or training and education services for horses and other equines. Equine service providers typically work autonomously as small business operators or may work as part of a management team.

Equine allied health service providers must make referrals to registered veterinarians for work outside of their professional scope of practice. The scope of practice for equine allied health service providers is determined by state/territory legislative and regulatory requirements which vary according to jurisdiction.

No other licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this qualification at the time of publication.

Entry Requirements

There are no entry requirements for this qualification.
OR
Prior to commencing this qualification, individuals must have current skills and knowledge to:
- interact with and safely handle a range of horses of different classes, life stages and temperaments
- take responsibility for own work and apply solutions to predictable problems relating to people, horses and job role in an equine workplace
- make judgements on routine activities and contingency measures relating to safe work practices and interactions with horses, and animal welfare principles.

These skills and knowledge may have been acquired through completion of a Certificate III or higher qualification involving horses or through industry experience in an equine workplace.

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Packaging Rules

To achieve this qualification, competency must be demonstrated in:
- 16 (TBC) units of competency:
  - X (10) core units plus
  - X (6) elective units.

Elective units must ensure the integrity of the qualification's Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) alignment and contribute to a valid, industry-supported vocational outcome. Electives can be chosen to provide a general qualification or a qualification with a specialisation.

For the award of the *Certificate IV in Equine Services* choose:
- at least X units from the electives in Groups B to F
- up to 1 unit from any currently endorsed Training Package or accredited course.

For the award of the *Certificate IV in Equine Services (Equine dentistry)* choose:
- at least X units from the electives in Group A
- up to X units from the electives listed in Groups A to D (not already selected)
- up to X unit from any currently endorsed Training Package or accredited course.

For the award of the Certificate IV in *Equine Services (Equine body work)* choose:
- at least X units from the electives in Group B
- up to X units from the electives listed in Groups B to F (not already selected)
- up to 1 unit from any currently endorsed Training Package or accredited course.

For the award of the Certificate IV in *Equine Services (Performance horse training)* choose:
• at least X units from the electives in Group C
• up to X units from the electives listed in Groups B to F (not already selected)
• up to 1 unit from any currently endorsed Training Package or accredited course.

For the award of the *Certificate IV in Equine Services (Saddle and equipment fitting)* choose:
• at least X units from the electives in Group D
• up to X units from the electives listed in Groups B to F (not already selected)
• up to 1 unit from any currently endorsed Training Package or accredited course.

For the award of the Certificate IV in *Equine Specialist Services (Horse education)* choose:
• at least X units from the electives in Group E
• up to X units from the electives listed in Groups B to F (not already selected)
• up to 1 unit from any currently endorsed Training Package or accredited course.

Core Units

An asterisk (*) next to the unit code indicates that there are prerequisite requirements which must be met when packaging the qualification. Please refer to the Prerequisite requirements table for details.

ACMEQU4X12	Interpret *and address* equine behaviour *and welfare*
ACMPHR5X3	Evaluate horse conformation *and physical condition*
ACMEQU4*X*2	*Advise* nutritional needs in provision of horse health care
ACMGEN315	Communicate effectively with clients and team members
ACMINF302	Follow equine biosecurity and infection control procedures
RGRPSH308	Provide first aid and emergency care for horses or other equines
SISOEQU010	Identify hazards, assess and control safety risks for horse handling and riding activities
BSBESB405	Manage compliance for small businesses
BSBESB406	Establish operational strategies and procedures for new business ventures
AHCWRK509	Provide specialist advice to clients

Commented [SH4]: Updated version of Small business operations

Elective Units

An asterisk (*) next to the unit code indicates that there are prerequisite requirements which must be met when packaging the qualification. Please refer to the Prerequisite requirements table for details.

Group A Equine dentistry

ACMEQD401	Work within an equine dental service provider framework
ACMEQD402*	Determine equine oral functional efficiency
ACMEQD403*	Identify potential health impacts of equine oral conditions
ACMEQD404*	Conduct equine oral inspection and assessment and plan equine dental treatment
ACMEQD405*	Perform routine dental correction and oral care using manual instruments
ACMNEW4X1	Use motorised instruments for equine dental work (new TBC)
ACMNEW4X2	Sedate horses for dental work under supervision (new TBC)

Group B Equine body work

ACMNEW4XX	Provide massage treatments for horses (TBC)
ACMNEW4XX	Provide non-invasive health treatments for horses (TBC)
ACMNEW4XX	Evaluate equine allied health modalities (TBC)
ACMPHR502	Manage horse health using selected therapies
ACMEQU5X1	Manage horse nutrition and feeding plans
ACMEQU4X5	Maintain and monitor horse health and welfare
ACMEQU403	Relate musculoskeletal structure to horse movement

ACMFAR401	Apply knowledge of equine musculoskeletal system, biomechanics and pathology for effective hoof care

Group C Performance horse training

ACMPHR406	Manage the presentation of young horses
ACMPHR408	Educate and train performance horses (??)
ACMPHR4X9 OR SISOEQU015*	*Select horses based on analysis of pedigree and conformation* OR Acquire and educate horses for sport or recreational programs
ACMPHR505 OR SISOEQU013*	Manage fitness in performance horses OR Condition horses for sport or recreational performance
RGRPSH424	Re-educate horses to manage behaviours and/or transition to new purposes
RGRPSH425	Advise on transitioning and rehoming horses

Commented [SH5]: Note: SIS units (SISOEQU0 013 & 015) have 2 prerequisites

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Group D Saddle and equipment fitting

ACMEQU4X4	*Evaluate saddlery fit for for horse and rider combination*
ACMEQU403	Relate musculoskeletal structure to horse movement
ACMNEW4XX	Manage equine tack, equipment and gear
MSTLG3006	Apply pattern specifications to saddlery products TBC
MSTLG3001	Make a prototype TBC
MSTLG3007	Assemble saddle components TBC

Commented [SH7]: Is this a standalone group? Are new units needed?
Is saddle making needed in this group? - Imported MST Leather units added (TBC)

Commented [LO8]: Yes on bit, bridle and saddle fitting.

Harness for carriage (outside of racing) - not common, would typically go to the harness maker (cover this in another unit, not stand alone)

Incorporate shimming, fixes.

Group E Horse education (early education / "breaking")

ACMEQU4X11 ACMBEH403	Evaluate equine training methodologies OR Evaluate animal conditioning methodology and program design (new)
ACMEQU407	Educate horses in initial handling
ACMEQU408	Educate horses to be ridden
ACMEQU409	Educate horses to be driven
ACMEQU410	Educate pack horses
RGRPSH424	Re-educate horses to manage behaviours and/or transition to new purposes
RGRPSH425	Advise on transitioning and rehoming horses

Group F General and business electives

ACMSUS401	Implement and monitor environmentally sustainable work practices
BSBESB303	Organise finances for new business ventures
BSBESB403	Plan finances for new business ventures
BSBESB404	Market new business ventures
BSBESB407	Manage finances for new business ventures
BSBFIN302	Maintain financial records
BSBLDR414	Lead team effectiveness
BSBINS410	Implement records systems for small business
BSBOPS403	Apply business risk management processes
BSBOPS404	Implement customer service strategies
BSBTEC201	Use business software applications
HLTAID011	Provide first aid
HLTAID013	Provide First Aid in remote or isolated site
RGRPSH304	Identify factors that affect racehorse fitness and suitability to race
TAEDEL301	Provide work skill instruction
TAEDEL402	Plan, organise and facilitate learning in the workplace
TAEDEL404	Mentor in the workplace

Commented [SH9]: BSB and HLT units have been updated recently
Revised and additional electives suggested

Commented [SH10]: Low level (AQF2)

Commented [SH11]: Are the TAE units needed?

BSBITU213	Use digital technologies to communicate remotely

Commented [SH12]: Suggestion to include - however AQF 2

Prerequisite requirements (to be reviewed/removed?)

Units listed in the Prerequisite requirement column that have their own prerequisite requirements are shown with an asterisk (*)

Unit of competency	Prerequisite requirement
SISOEQU013* Condition horses for sport or recreational performance	SISOEQU001 Handle horses SISOEQU010 Identify hazards, assess and control safety risks for horse handling and riding activities
SISOEQU015* Acquire and educate horses for sport or recreational programs	SISOEQU001 Handle horses SISOEQU010 Identify hazards, assess and control safety risks for horse handling and riding activities

Commented [LO13]: If not sufficient look at a level 3/4 handling unit

Qualification Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACM40X21 Certificate IV in Equine Allied Health Services	ACM40512 Certificate IV in Equine Dentistry	Redesigned qualification Packaging rules changed and elective specialisation groups added Core units updated Electives added, removed and updated	Not equivalent

Links

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