

**Modification History**

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

ACM20221	Certificate II in Horse Care														
<p><b>Qualification Description</b></p> <p>This qualification describes the skills and knowledge required for entry level horse care and handling roles, that typically include stable work, and grooming and exercising horses. Workplaces may include agistment, riding schools, horse yards, competition stables, polo stables, pony club grounds, breeding studs riding centres, equine veterinary facilities and horse education facilities.</p> <p>Individuals in these roles perform a range of routine horse care tasks under supervision including stable cleaning, handling, feeding, grooming, gear fitting and exercising horses. They may also ride horses. They apply solutions to a small range of predictable problems and collaborate with other to care for horses and horse environments.</p> <p>No licensing, regulatory or certification requirements apply to this qualification at the time of endorsement.</p>															
<p><b>Entry Requirements</b></p> <p>There are no entry requirements for this qualification.</p>															
<p><b>Packaging Rules</b></p> <p>To achieve this qualification, competency must be demonstrated in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <del>14</del> <b>12</b> units of competency: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <del>6</del> <b>5</b> core units plus</li> <li>• <del>8</del> <b>7</b> elective units.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Elective units must ensure the integrity of the qualification's Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) alignment and contribute to a valid, industry-supported vocational outcome in horse related industries. The electives are to be chosen as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 units from Groups A or B</li> <li>• 3 units from the remaining electives in Groups A or Group B, or from Group C, or from any currently endorsed Training Package or accredited course.</li> </ul>															
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<p><b>Elective Units</b></p>															

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Commented [TV2]: Suggest making the qualification more focussed on practical skills and reducing the number of 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: Horse riding**

ACMEQU206*	Perform basic horse riding skills at walk, trot and canter
ACMEQU207*	Develop riding skills for exercise of horses
AHCLSK218*	Ride educated horses to carry out basic stock work (it may not be possible to list this unit due to the its prerequisites)
SISOEQ0003*	Ride horses in tracked trial rides (Note - SMEs advised to retain this unit but it two prerequisite units (SISOEQ001 Handle horses & SISOEQ002 Ride horses using fundamental skills) that will probably exclude it being selected)

**Group B: Horse-related work**

ACMEQU208	Manage personal health and fitness for working with horses (Should this be a core unit given the physicality of the job functions for the roles covered by this qualification?)
ACMEQU209*	Provide non-riding exercise to horses
ACMEQU210*	Lunge educated horses
ACMEQU211*	Prepare horses for competition, presentation or sale (Should this be a core unit - see comments in the core)

**Group C: General**

AHCLSK204	Carry out regular livestock observation
AHCLSK210	Muster and move livestock
AHCWRK201	Observe and report on weather
AHCWRK203	Operate in isolated and remote situations
AHCWRK209	Monitor water supplies
AHCWRK302	Monitor weather conditions
HLTAID011	Provide first aid
TLID1001	Shift materials safely using manual handling methods (check with SMEs)
ACMEQU205	Apply knowledge of horse behaviour (being redesigned as Prepare to work safely around horses, and will not include horse handling)

**Commented [TV3]:** Please advise if these units are relevant and suggest others that may be worth listing here

**Prerequisite requirements**

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

Unit of competency	Prerequisite requirement
ACMEQU201 Work safely in industries with horses (to be revised as Follow safe work practices industries with horses)	ACMEQU205 Apply knowledge of horse behaviour (TBA)
<del>ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely</del>	<del>ACMEQU205 Apply knowledge of horse behaviour</del>
ACMEQU206 Perform basic horse riding skills at walk, trot and canter	ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely*
ACMEQU207 Develop riding skills for exercise of horses	ACMEQU206 Perform basic horse riding skills at walk, trot and canter* ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely*
ACMEQU209 Provide non-riding exercise to horses	ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely*
ACMEQU210 Lunge educated horses	ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely*
ACMEQU211 Prepare a horse for competition, presentation or sale	ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely*

**Commented [TV4]:** Note 1. The prerequisites will be revised on a unit by unit basis and this table will be updated.

Note 2. Where it is possible, health and safety will be embedded in each unit. If this is not appropriate or sufficient, it is proposed that the revised ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely will be made a prerequisite in units that require horse handling as part of their outcomes.

Note 3. ACMEQU205 Apply knowledge of horse behaviour will be redesigned as Prepare to work safely around horses and will no longer be a prerequisite for the revised ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely

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ACMEQU301 Introduce horses to lunge exercise	ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely* ACMEQU210 Lunge educated horses
ACMHBR201 Check and treat horses	ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely*
ACMHBR203 Provide daily care for horses	ACMEQU205 Apply knowledge of horse behaviour (TBA)
AHCLSK218 Ride educated horses to carry out basic stock work	ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely* ACMEQU205 Apply knowledge of horse behaviour ACMEQU206 Perform basic horse riding skills at walk, trot and canter*
SISOEQU003 Ride horses in tracked trial rides	SISOEQU001 Handle horses SISOEQU002 Ride horses using fundamental skills*
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**Qualification Mapping Information**

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACM20221 Certificate II in Horse Care	ACM20217 Certificate II in Horse Care	TBA	TBA

**Links**

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