

Apprenticeship Title	Equine Groom Apprenticeship				
<b>Duration</b>	Expected Duration of 12 - 18 months (min 12 months)	<b>Level</b>	2		
<b>Overview of the job role on completion of your apprenticeship</b>	<p>Apprentices will be entering a vocational industry, where they can expect to handle a variety of horses in different working environments. They must adhere to safe working practices, be prepared to work in all weather conditions and often in “out of hours” situations. They will be required to have dedication, commitment and the physical and mental toughness to cope with the rigours of the role. Living on site for part or all of the duration of the apprenticeship may be necessary.</p> <p>The occupation requires competent individuals who are committed to the safety and welfare of the horses in their care. They will use their theoretical knowledge and understanding, practical experience and empathy to maintain the horses’ physical and psychological well-being within a safe working environment. This is a practical, “hands on” occupation where apprentices will work under supervision individually or as part of a diverse team. The Equine Groom is an integral part in the life of the horse, providing essential day-to-day care. They will be involved with feeding, grooming, cleaning equipment, handling, preparing, exercising the horses and carrying out routine yard duties.</p> <p>The Equine Groom may also be required to assist with the preparation of, transport to and care for horses at competitions, the races, sales, shows and other public appearances. Dependent on which sector of the industry the Equine Groom has chosen, appropriate people skills will be essential.</p> <p>The Equine Groom apprentice will need to decide in which sector of the industry they wish to progress and select the appropriate occupational route.</p>				
Breakdown of what will be covered during your Apprenticeship					
<b>Skills</b>	<b>Behaviours</b>		<b>Knowledge</b>		
Safe working practices	Safe working		Safe working practices		
Yard & field routines & duties	Work ethic		Yard & field routines & duties		
Horse anatomy, physiology & welfare	Responsibility		Horse anatomy, physiology & welfare		
Horse handling, care & appearance	Team work		Horse handling, care & appearance		
Saddlery & equipment	Communication		Saddlery & equipment		
Travelling horses			Travelling horses		
Non-ridden exercise			Non-ridden exercise		
There are FIVE specialised routes for the employer and the apprentice to select from to suit job role and responsibilities					
Breeding specific	Driving specific	Racing specific	Riding specific	Non Riding specific	

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APPRENTICESHIP STANDARD INFORMATION FOR LEARNERS

**Maths & English requirements**

Apprentices will be required to have the equivalent of/ or have achieved level 1 & attempted Level 2 English and Maths Functional Skills before they can proceed through the Gateway

<b>Professional Recognition</b>	The equestrian industry does not currently have a body that offers professional recognition, however the apprentice will be awarded with an apprenticeship certificate indicating the level achieved
<b>Progression</b>	Senior equine Groom Level 3 is currently in development

**Process for completion of the Apprenticeship**

<b>On Programme</b>	<p>Apprentice works with and trains with employer/and/or training provider</p> <p>Builds portfolio</p> <p>English &amp; maths Level 1 and attempted level 2 (if not previously attained)</p>	<b>Gateway</b>	<p>Discussion on readiness for End Point Assessment with employer and/or training provider (as required)</p>	<b>End Point Assessment</b>	<p>Knowledge Test</p> <p>Practical Observation &amp; Professional Discussion informed by portfolio</p> <p>Pass or Distinction grade</p>
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