



HORSE HANDLING



Business Name & Address: _____ **Property Name/PIC:** _____

Audit Team: _____ **Audit Date:** ____/____/____

RISK CALCULATOR	LIKELIHOOD – The likelihood of the exposure causing injury to a person given the frequency of exposure				
	ALMOST CERTAIN <i>Is expected to occur in most circumstances</i>	LIKELY <i>Will probably occur in most circumstances</i>	POSSIBLE <i>Might occur at sometime</i>	UNLIKELY <i>Could occur at sometime</i>	RARE <i>May occur in exceptional circumstances</i>
CONSEQUENCES How severely could it hurt someone					
CATASTROPHIC <i>Death or permanent disability</i>	EXTREME	EXTREME	EXTREME	EXTREME	HIGH
MAJOR <i>Serious bodily injury</i>	EXTREME	EXTREME	EXTREME	HIGH	HIGH
MODERATE <i>Casualty Treatment</i>	EXTREME	HIGH	HIGH	MODERATE	MODERATE
MINOR <i>First aid only, no lost time</i>	HIGH	HIGH	MODERATE	LOW	LOW
INSIGNIFICANT <i>No injuries</i>	HIGH	MODERATE	LOW	LOW	LOW

RISK CLASS	ACTION REQUIRED
OK or Not Applicable	No Foreseeable Risk - OK for now; Review if any equipment/people/materials/work methods or procedures change. Or this particular inspection item is Not Applicable to this workplace
EXTREME	Extreme Risk - Act Now Do something about these risks immediately. Stop the task until the hazard is controlled and the risk managed.
HIGH	High Risk - Act As Soon As Possible. Do something to manage these risks as soon as possible. Consultant with Management
MODERATE	Moderate Risk - Develop a PLAN to manage these risks / note any suggestions on how the risk might be managed.
LOW	OK for now Review if any equipment/people/materials/work methods or procedures change.



IDENTIFIED HAZARDS	OK or NA	EXTREME (Act Now)	HIGH (Act ASAP)	MODERATE (Plan)	LOW (Review)
HORSES					
1. Are working horses of known breeding and temperament?					
2. Are working horses sound, healthy and correctly shod?					
3. Do riders check all the horses' feet for soundness prior to riding?					
4. Do riders check the horses back and girth for galls or sore spots?					
5. Do riders check the horses eyes for blight and infections?					
6. Are horses lunged prior to working to check for muscle or leg soreness?					
7. Do riders warm up horses prior to work?					

IDENTIFIED HAZARDS	OK or NA	EXTREME (Act Now)	HIGH (Act ASAP)	MODERATE (Plan)	LOW (Review)
8. Are horses checked post ride for soreness etc?					
RIDERS					
9. Are staff trained and assessed as competent in horsemanship?					
10. Are riders allocated horses appropriate for their level of experience and competency?					
11. Are riders instructed / disciplined for reckless riding?					
12. Are riders instructed about the risks of practical jokes while working with horses?					
RIDING EQUIPMENT					
13. Is riding gear, including saddle suitable, sound and in good order?					
14. Are blankets / padding checked for grass seeds and burrs?					
PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)					
15. Is there a policy for sun protection?					
16. Is there a policy for wearing helmets while using horses to work stock in the yards?					
17. Are Level 1 riders required to wear helmets?					
18. Are Level 2 riders assessed as competent to ride without a helmet?					
RIDERS CLOTHING (PPE)					
19. Is suitable foot wear worn? E.g. composite or leather sole?					
20. Are long sleeve shirts and trousers worn while riding?					
21. Are broad brimmed hats worn while riding?					
22. Are sunglasses worn while riding?					

IDENTIFIED HAZARDS	OK or NA	EXTREME (Act Now)	HIGH (Act ASAP)	MODERATE (Plan)	LOW (Review)
RIDING CONDITIONS					
23. Are riders made aware of riding conditions prior to starting work?					
ADDITIONAL HAZARDS					
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RISK ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT RECORD

HIERARCHY OF CONTROLS PLANNED OR IMPLEMENTED

Item #	Date	Identified Hazard	Assessed Risk Level	Control 1 Eliminate	Control 2 Substitute	Control 3 Isolate or Guard	Control 4 Redesign or Engineering	Control 5 Administration	Control 6 PPE

IMPLEMENTATION AND CONTROL SHEET

Item #	RISK MANAGEMENT ACTION REQUIRED	Responsible Person	Cost \$	Target Date	Date Actioned	Revised Risk Level after Action