

Spring Training Online 2020

General Areas of Competency

A. Explain Introduction to the Horse

(3 hrs) Outcomes:

- i. Explain the evolution and domestication of horses
- ii. Describe the 6 senses
- iii. Explain stereotypical behaviours of horses
- iv. Describe characteristics of race horses
- v. Explain the history of Horse Racing

B. Describe Roles of Alberta Horse Racing Associations

(2hrs) Outcomes:

- i. Explain the role of Horse Racing Alberta
- ii. Identify the roles of other racing-related associations

C. Develop Workplace Skills, personal development, and employability

(3 hrs) Outcomes:

- i. Manage a balance between personal, social, and work life.
- ii. Communicate professionally in the workplace
- iii. Apply personal healthy living strategies.
- iv. Explain the roles and responsibilities of the horse racing team
- v. Develop your own financial practices.

D. Demonstrate care and management in a race horse stable

(3 hrs) Outcomes:

- i. Demonstrate safety protocol and safety equipment in the barn
- ii. Demonstrate horse handling and grooming techniques in a race barn environment
- iii. Demonstrate practices for maintaining a clean and safe barn area

E. Demonstrate use of tack and equipment in a Race Horse Stable

(3 hrs) Outcomes:

- i. Identify selected tack used
- ii. Demonstrate procedures for tacking and preparation for exercise of horses in your care
- iii. Explain other forms of equipment for exercising the racehorse

F. Explain equine anatomy and conformation (3 hrs)

Outcomes:

- i. Identify anatomical parts of the horse
- ii. Explain foot function and care
- iii. Explain horse conformation and related possible lameness

G. Demonstrate equine bandages and application (3 hrs)

Outcomes:

- i. Demonstrate various Equine stable bandages
- ii. Identify topical leg preparations for selected applications
- iii. Demonstrate bandages for training and racing

H. Perform race day procedures for flat racers (3 hrs)

Outcomes:

- i. Describe physical characteristics of the racetrack facility
- ii. Prepare the horse for race day
- iii. Demonstrate paddock procedures
- iv. Perform cooling out procedures
- v. Explain test barn procedures

I. Perform equine first aid (4 hrs)

Outcomes:

- i. Execute regular health checks on horses
- ii. Identify common health concerns
- iii. Follow protocols for equine medical emergencies
- iv. Follow protocols for equine traumatic emergencies
- v. Describe alternative therapies used on horses

J. Describe Equine Nutrition (3 hrs)

Outcomes:

- i. Describe feeding schedules for race horses
- ii. Identify grains and hays as well as other feed fed to horses
- iii. Explain the role of water in the horses diet

K. Describe use of tack and equipment in a Harness Stable.

Outcomes:

- i. History of the Standardbred Horse
- ii. Equipment for the Harness horse
- iii. Harness Racing general information
- iv. Exercising the Harness Horse