

1st4sport Entry Level Award in Assisting with Basic Care of Horses (Entry 2)



Qualification Specification

Qualification Overview:	This qualification introduces horse care to people who have an interest in horses and may want to work with them but who have little previous experience, providing them with the basic skills and knowledge required to assist with caring for horses under supervision.						
Qualification Code:	601/4935/8	Level:	1	Age:	14+	Registration Period:	1 year
Guided Learning (GL):	60	Total Qualification Time (TQT):	68	Credit Value:	7	Operational From:	01 November 2014
Progression Opportunities:	<p>Following the achievement of this qualification, learners may choose to progress onto the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st4sport Level 1 Diploma in Work Based Horse Care () • 1st4sport Level 1 Diploma in Work Based Racehorse Care and Riding (). 						

Qualification Objective
What does this qualification cover?
This qualification introduces horse care to people who have an interest in horses and may want to work with them but who have little previous experience, providing them with the basic skills and knowledge required to assist with caring for horses under supervision and will prepare them for further training.
Who is the qualification for?
This qualification is designed for individuals who have an interest in horses and may want to work with them but have little previous experience.
Who supports this qualification?
This qualification is supported by the BHA as the trade association and employers for Horseracing in the UK. Technical experts from within the BHA have provided technical advice in the development of the qualification.
Qualification Progression
What could this qualification lead to?
Learners taking the 1st4sport Entry Level Award in Assisting with Basic Care of Horses (Entry 2) may also be interested in taking the 1st4sport Entry Level Award in Catching and Leading, Grooming and Rugging Up a Horse (Entry 3) or 1st4sport Entry Level Award in Recognising , Putting On and Cleaning Saddle and Bridle (Entry 3) ()
Following the achievement of this qualification, learners may choose to progress onto the 1st4sport Level 1 Diploma in Work Based Horse Care or the 1st4sport Level 1 Diploma in Work Based Racehorse Care and Riding.

Qualification Achievement
Entry Requirements for the Qualification
The recognised centre is required to conduct an initial assessment of learners to ensure that the pre-requisites to registration and certification are considered and the outcome recorded during the application process.
Prior to registration learners are required to:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be 14 years of age or over • have been accurately identified • able to communicate effectively in English (listening, speaking, reading and writing).
There are no additional prerequisites to certification other than the successful completion of the required assessments.
How is the Qualification Achieved?
The recognised centre must ensure that the learners' knowledge and competence is assessed against the assessment criteria of the qualification in line with the Assessment Specification, as outlined in the Qualification Handbook.
What will be assessed?
Learners will be assessed via a mixture of theoretical and practical tasks contained with the Learner Portfolio.
How will it be assessed?
This qualification contains a range of units to be completed by the learner. Each unit is comprised of a number of learning outcomes and identified assessment criteria to be completed.
Learning Outcomes that begin 'The learner will understand... ' will be assessed through theory based activities.
Learning Outcomes that begin 'The learner will be able to... ' are assessed through practical activities.
For example:

Learning outcomes The learner will:	Assessment criteria The learner can:
1 understand how to ensure participants' safety during sport specific coaching sessions	1.1 describe the health and safety requirements that are relevant to planned sport-specific activities and competition. 1.2 describe how to structure coaching sessions to minimise the risk of injury to participants.
2 be able to prepare resources for the coaching session	2.1 ensure that the identified resources meet the requirements of the activity.

Qualification Delivery

What workforce is needed to be able to deliver this qualification?

The recognised centre is required to have a qualified and competent qualification workforce in place which includes as a minimum.

- a qualification administrator
- a qualification coordinator
- at least one appropriately qualified tutor/internal assessor
- at least one appropriately qualified independent assessor
- an appropriately qualified internal quality assurer (IQA)

Further information on workforce requirements are available from 1st4sport Qualifications on request.

What facilities are needed to be able to deliver this qualification?

The recognised centre is required to have one or more delivery sites which contain facilities to support the programme of learning and assessment. These must comply with *Health and Safety in the Racing and Breeding Industry* and have in place appropriate access arrangements. All training and/or assessment sites must include the following facilities:

- A practical space to be used for learning and assessment activities which includes:
 - access to stabled horses suitable for use with Entry Level learners
 - a turn out area
- A theory space which may include a classroom. This must contain multimedia facilities such as data projector and laptop, flip chart and pens.

The weather and environment must be conducive to learning; lighting and temperature should be appropriate to the learner needs. The space surrounding assessment areas must be safe and free of obstructions.

What equipment is needed to be able to deliver this qualification?

The recognised centre is required to have equipment in place to facilitate the full programme of assessment which must comply with *The Health and Safety at Work Act (1974)* and other directives which includes as a minimum:

- Bedding including straw, shavings or paper
- Mucking out equipment
- Feed to include forage and concentrates

The recognised centre is required to ensure that all learners wear appropriate apparel for the tasks they undertake.

What qualification materials support this qualification?
<p>This qualification is supported by a number of additional documents which must be read by all relevant personnel within recognised centres approved to offer this qualification. These include the <i>1st4sport Entry Level Award in Assisting with Basic Care of Horses</i>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Qualification Handbook</i>, detailing the 1st4sport Qualification Approval Conditions and the Delivery, Assessment and Quality Assurance Approach for this qualification • <i>Unit Specifications</i>, detailing the Learning Outcomes and Assessment criteria for the qualification.
How much does this qualification cost?
<p>Qualification registration and certification fees are available from 1st4sport Qualifications on request. Centres need to factor in facility and workforce costs in order to determine a Qualification Fee for learners.</p>
How to apply to deliver this qualification
<p>Contact 1st4sport Qualifications, requesting qualification approval for this qualification</p> <p>Tel: 0113 290 7610 Email: enquiries@1st4sportqualifications.com Website: www.1st4sportqualifications.com</p>

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Qualification Structure (Rule of Combination)

To qualify for the 1st4sport Entry Level Award in Assisting with Basic Care of Horses (Entry 2), learners must successfully achieve a minimum of five credits, completing any three of the four listed units.

Mandatory Units

Unit Title	Level	Credit	GL	Reference	Assessment Method(s)
Recognise colours, markings and points of the horse	E2	1	10	R/502/0269	Written Tasks, Observation of Coaching
Provide food and water for horses	E2	2	20	Y/502/0404	Written Tasks, Observation of Coaching
Skip out a stable	E2	2	20	R/502/0398	Written Tasks, Observation of Coaching
Recognise signs of health in a horse	E3	2	20	H/502/0695	Written Tasks, Observation of Coaching

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