

Level 3

Senior Equine Groom

Role Overview

The Senior Equine Groom is a fundamental occupational role in all equine businesses. They can expect to handle and provide exercise for 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 onsite for part or all of the duration of the apprenticeship may also be necessary. The occupation requires competent individuals committed to the safety and welfare of horses in their care. There are about a million horses kept for recreation and commercial use in the UK and the Senior Equine Groom will be capable of looking after a small to medium sized equine yard and supervising a diverse team of workers. They will be capable of offering advice, support, and guidance to their team, whilst possessing the appropriate people skills necessary for their chosen sector. They will be required to have a sound base of experience and knowledge and have the right empathy to promote the horses' physical and psychological well-being within a safe working environment. The Senior Equine Groom will have a sound knowledge of horse anatomy and physiology and the ability to assess and promote health. They will be able to recognise and treat common minor injuries and ailments. They will be capable of presenting horses to a high standard and can demonstrate the skills required to groom, plait and clip horses. Senior Equine Grooms may have the opportunity to travel nationally and internationally, preparing and caring for horses at competitions, the races, sales, shows and other public appearances.

Course Content includes:

- Safe Working Practices
- Yard and Field Routines and Management
- Horse Anatomy, Physiology and Welfare
- Horse Handling, Care and Appearance
- Nutrition & Fitness
- Travelling Horses
- Non-Ridden Exercise

Occupational Routes

The apprentice will be required to select one of the five specialised routes with additional knowledge and skills, those being:

Breeding/Driving/Racing/Riding/Non-Riding

English and Maths

Apprentices without Level 2 English and Maths will need to achieve this level prior to taking the end-point assessment. For those with an education, health and care plan or a legacy statement the apprenticeships English and Maths minimum requirement is Entry Level 3, and British Sign Language qualifications are an alternative to English qualifications for those whom this is their primary language.

Duration

18-24 months

Venue

The course will be delivered and supported in the workplace and by the training provider.

If functional skills are required these may be delivered in the workplace or with the training provider.

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