# Certificate II in Racing (Stablehand)

To achieve a Certificate II in Racing (Stablehand) you must complete:

- 11 core units
- 2 elective units

| Core units                  |  |
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| RGRCMN201                   | Follow OHS procedures and observe environmental work practices |
| HLTHFA301B                  | Apply first aid  |
| RGRCMN001A                  | Comply with the rules of racing and related protocols          |
| RGRCMN002A                  | Investigate job opportunities in racing and related industries |
| RGRCMN202A                  | Achieve requirements for industry induction                    |
| PUACOM001B                  | Communicate in the workplace                                   |
| RGRPSH201A                  | Handle horses  |
| RGRPSH202A                  | Assist with transportation of horses                           |
| RGRPSH207A                  | Perform stable duties  |
| RGRPSH208A                  | Attend horses at trackwork                                     |
| RGRPSH209A                  | Attend horses at race meetings and trials                      |
| Elective units (choose two) |  |
| RGRCMN003A                  | Manage personal health and fitness                             |
| BSBBITU203A                 | Communicate electronically                                     |
| RGRPSH205A                  | Perform basic riding tasks                                     |
| RGRPSH206A                  | Develop riding skills for flatwork                             |



# Stablehand





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### What traineeships are available?

Stablehand traineeships are available in:

- Certificate II in Racing (Stablehand)
- Certificate III in Racing (Advanced Stablehand)

#### What is a stablehand?

A stable hand is a person who is employed in a thoroughbred or harness racing stable and whose prime function is to care for the animals and to meet their individual needs of feeding, grooming, exercising, transporting, and keeping the environment safe clean and hygienic.

The Certificate II in Racing (Stablehand) is the ideal starting point if you want to become involved in the racing industry. It is the recommended starting point for school -based traineeships.

#### How do I become a trainee stablehand?

## Step 1

Find an employer by contacting trainers or visiting their stables to see if they have any work available.

A list of registered thoroughbred horse trainers is available on the Racing Queensland website.

Alternatively, you can contact
Racing Queensland Training Department
to assist you.



#### Step 2

Once you have found an employer will need to sign a Training Contract organised through an Australian Apprenticeship Centre.



#### Step 3

Complete enrolment and training forms and negotiate your training plan with Racing Queensland Training Department



## What will I be studying and how?

The traineeship system involves both 'on the job training' and 'off the job training'. On the job training refers to the skills you learn while working in the stables and off the job refers to skills you learn from the instructors from the Racing Queensland Training Department. Training will occur at Racing Queensland training facility one day per week or in blocks of 4 to 5 days throughout the year. The training will depend on the individuals situation and location.

Assessment of your skills and knowledge will be through a combination of practical demonstration, written assessment, oral assessment or assignment. More details on the qualifications can be seen on the following page.



#### I am still at school, can I be a trainee?

Yes. The Certificate II in Racing (Stablehand) is the recommended qualification to be undertaken as a school-based traineeship. The duration is 2 years and students should commence early on year 11 in order to complete before the end of their senior year. School-based students usually work one day per week and possibly one day on the weekend. They must work a minimum of 48 days per year. If you wish to be a school based trainee then you should check that your school supports school based traineeships. Talk to your Vocational Education Teacher, Industry Liaison Officer or Careers Advisor.

# Can I get recognition for skills I already have?

Yes. Any formal qualifications that relate to the traineeship will be credited to you. If you have skills or knowledge, but no formal record you may apply for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL). More detail on RPL can be provided at the student induction.

# How long is the traineeship?

The Certificate II in Racing (Stablehand) traineeship has a duration of 12 months for fulltime trainees.

#### **Further Information**

A copy of the student handbook, detailing further information related to being a student of Racing Queensland, is available on the website.

Alternatively contact Racing Queensland Training Department.

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Please note all persons working in licensed training establishments must be licensed by Racing Queensland before commencing work.