



Assignment Brief

HC-L1-A08 Safe Grooming Practices

Scenario

You have started work as a Groom at a busy equestrian centre. The yard manager has asked you to create a Grooming Safety Guide for volunteers and junior staff to ensure grooming is carried out safely and effectively for both the horse and the handler.

Tasks

Task 1 – Dust Hazards (107 1.1)

Describe the dangers of a dusty environment when grooming and explain how to reduce risks.

Task 2 – Perfume & Jewellery Risks (107 1.2)

Describe the dangers of wearing perfume and jewellery when working around horses.

Task 3 – Grooming Techniques (107 1.3, 1.5, 1.7, 2.1, 2.2)

Describe different types of grooming techniques and when each should be used.

Describe the different grooming requirements for:

- Stabled horses
- Grass-kept horses

Identify the items in the grooming kit and explain the use of each one.

Describe how to look after a grooming kit and keep it clean.

Task 4 – Drying After Washing (107 1.4)

Describe the importance of drying horses' legs after washing and the risks if this is not done.

Task 5 – Shoe Condition Checks (107 1.6)

State the reasons why changes in the condition of the shoes must be reported and who they should be reported to.

Evidence

You may present your work as:

- A written grooming safety guide
- A laminated poster for the tack room
- A PowerPoint for training sessions
- Annotated photographs or videos from practical grooming sessions