



RISK ASSESSMENT PRO-FORMA DOCUMENT

- Job Description: Dressing horses feet

- Identify:
 - Location (where)
 - Times (when)

- Analyse:
 - Likelihood (how likely that an incident will occur)
 1. Very likely
 2. Likely
 3. Possible
 4. Unlikely
 5. Very unlikely

 - Consequences (the severity of injury which could arise from this hazard)
 1. Fatality
 2. Permanent disability
 3. Medical treatment required (fracture, burns)
 4. First aid required (lacerations)
 5. No medical treatment required

- Specific Tasks:

<u>Procedure</u>	<u>Hazards</u>	<u>Likelihood</u> (1 – 5)	<u>Consequences</u> (1 – 5)
- prepare appropriate equipment	tripping, spillage	.....	.....
- collect horse from stables	strain, crush injury	.....	.....
- lead horse to tie-up area	strain, crush injury
- tie-up to access both sides of horse (if possible)	muscle strain

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<u>Procedure</u>	<u>Hazards</u>	<u>Likelihood</u> (1 – 5)	<u>Consequences</u> (1 – 5)
- pick up hoof	muscle strain, impact from kick
- pick out hoof	strain, crush, laceration	.....	.....
- apply dressing	allergy, chemical reaction	.....	.....
- untie horse & return to stall	muscle strain, kick	.....	.....

- Evaluate:

- Risk is a function of both consequence and likelihood. Accordingly, the above ratings should be added together to calculate a total risk rating;
- The following nominal bands are prepared as a guide:
 - 16 – 32 Very high risk
 - 33 – 48 High risk
 - 49 – 64 Medium risk
 - 65 – 80 Low risk

- Treatment:

- Controls should be adopted to minimise risk. These include:
 - Key safety plant/personal protective equipment (“ppe”):
 - gloves, safety boots;
 - head collar/lead/twine (for tying);
 - hoof cleaning gear, hoof pick, dressing;
 - safe, even, non slip tie-up area.
 - Safety checks/hazardous substances:
 - tools in sound working condition;
 - appropriate ppe;
 - check for raised nails.
 - External considerations:
 - weather conditions.
 - Qualifications/experience/training required to complete work:
 - registered stablehand with horse handling competency and requisite training.

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