**Safe Work Method Statement**

**Form 007.2**

**Safe Work Method Statement (Part 1)**

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| **Job: CLIPPING A HORSE** | **Document Reference** |
| **Department: XXXX Racing Stables****Section:** **Work Area: Secure safe area - Dry hose bay or crush or horse box** | **No:** |
| **Revision Date:****Manager’s / Trainer’s Approval:****Manager’s / Trainer’s Name:** |
| **Key Safety Plant / Equipment / (including P.P.E.)** | **Safety Checks / Hazardous Substances** |
| * Bridles / head collars / leads / anti rearing bits / twitch / sedative
* Non-slip working surface / straw broom
* Clippers and lubricants / Electric extension leads
* Personal Protective Equipment: overalls, goggles, mask, safety work boots, helmet?
 | * MSDS
* All electrical equipment tagged and in safe working order
* All equipment checked.
* Horse temperament assessed as per use of sedative
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| **Codes of Practice Legislation: Applicable to Work? Y/N** **If Yes, state:**Current tags on clippers and leads MSDS | **External Considerations**Weather conditions / rain / wind |
| **Person/s required to carry out work** | **Duties & Responsibilities** | **Qualifications / Experience / Training required to complete work** |
| Horse handler / clipper operatorVet | Professionally clip horseSafely hold horseAdminister sedative | Horse handling competency, experienced operator, BVSc for vet. |

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| **SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT (PART 2)** | **Document Reference:** |
| **Job: CLIPPING A HORSE** | **No:** |
| **Procedure (in steps)** | **Possible Hazards in Executing Procedure** | **Key Safety Controls & Associated Procedures** |
| Shampoo horse | Allergic reaction to shampooTrampling by horse | MSDSSecure horse in tie-up correctly |
| Dry horse | Trampling by horse | Correct tie-up and handle |
| Prepare all equipment at site including PPE | Electrical leads | Place leads in correct positionHave additional person to monitor movement of horse near leads. |
| Sedate horse and wait for effect | Trampling by horse | MSDS Vet – SWMS |
| Clip horse – start on near side shoulder area | Trampling by horseBuild-up of hair causing slippery surfaceManure / urine causing slippery surface | Check sedation and horse’s acceptance of clippersKeep area clean throughout operation |
| Clean equipment and clean the work area | Electricity | Turn off power before hosing area |
| Hose horse | As per step 1 | Refer step 1 |
| Dry horse | As per step 2 | Refer Step 2 |
| Rug horse | Horse’s skin will be more sensitive | Ensure horse is toweled all over and rugs are adjusted |
| Return horse to yard or stable | As above / trampling by horse | Be aware of horse’s level of sensitivity and level of sedation. |