**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 |
| **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 operator  Vet | Professionally clip horse  Safely hold horse  Administer 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 shampoo  Trampling by horse | | MSDS  Secure 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 position  Have 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 horse  Build-up of hair causing slippery surface  Manure / urine causing slippery surface | | Check sedation and horse’s acceptance of clippers  Keep 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. |