

Declared Purpose:

The following purpose is for the Level 3 Diploma in Horse Management 0079-03 (QAN no 500/8709/5). This is a Technical Level Qualification.

This level 3 Diploma in Horse Management is a qualification aimed at providing you with a range of practical skills and knowledge. This will help you to seek employment or progress into further training within the equine industry.

Who is this qualification for?

It is for someone who works or wants to work within the equine industry.

Recommended Entry Requirements:

- Level 2 Certificate in Horse Care
- Level 2 Extended Certificate in Horse Care
- Level 2 Diploma in Horse Care
- Previous practical experience within an equine environment.

What does the qualification cover?

The learner will need to successfully complete about 13 units (depending on which ones are selected) in order to gain this qualification.

The mandatory units that everyone is required to take are:

- Understanding Animal Health
- Planning and Monitoring Feeding
- Fitting Tack and equipment
- Preparing Horses for Presentation
- Work Experience

There are lots of optional units that you can choose from which allow you to pick areas of interest, such as:

- Horse Fitness
 - Horse Rehabilitation and Therapy
 - Riding Horses on the Flat and over Fences
 - Stud Management
 - Horse Handling, Backing and Training
 - The Horse Driving Industry
 - The Horse Racing Industry
 - Yard and Stable Management
 - Animal Biology
 - Anatomy and Physiology
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The period of work experience will allow you to gain first-hand experience of working in the equine industry.

For all units you will study both its practical and theory based aspects. You will learn the skills and knowledge of why you need to do and know certain things.

The Diploma is part of a larger suite of Horse Management qualifications, and is broadly equivalent to two A Levels (two-thirds of a full time curriculum). The qualification provides a significant proportion of skills and knowledge for progression into a number of employment opportunities, but it can also be taken alongside another relevant qualification such as an A Level in Biology, Business or other related subject.

The qualification has been developed in conjunction with industry, and with the support of Lantra, the Sector Skills Council for the Land-based Sector to ensure that it equips learners with the right skills and knowledge to be able to gain employment either directly or following further studies.

You may want to progress onto an Extended Diploma by taking about 6 more units.

What opportunities are there for employment or progression after I have finished studying this qualification?

The qualification allows you to employment.

You might work as a:

- Riding Yard Manager
- Assistant Manager(Competition yards)
- Assistant Yard Manager (Riding School)
- Competition groom
- Technical Advisor/Consultant
- Livestock Technician
- Equine nutritionist
- Stud Manager

You may wish to progress onto an Advanced Apprenticeship in Horse Care and Management, which allows you to combine working in a Riding School, or in a similar job, and typically attending one day a week at College or with a Training Provider.

You might want to go on to Higher Education. The following Higher Education Institutes recognise that this qualification fulfils the requirements for entry onto a range of HE programmes (in its own right or alongside another Level 3 qualification, such progress into as an A Level):

- Hartpury College (University of West of England)
 - Reaseheath College
 - University of Brighton.
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You can go on to study subjects such as:

Equine Studies Foundation Degree
BSc (Hons) Equine Science
Equine Sports Performance BSc (Hons) Degree.

This qualification carries 80 to 280 UCAS points (depending on the grade achieved).

See the following link <http://www.ucas.com/how-it-all-works/explore-your-options/entry-requirements/tariff-tables>

Further information can be found on our website and within the qualification handbook:

<http://www.cityandguilds.com/Courses-and-Qualifications/land-based-services/equine/0079-horse-care-and-management/level-3>