To City & Guilds,

The BEF is an umbrella organisation representing the interests of 4.2 million riders, vaulters and carriage drivers in Great Britain via 19 independent member bodies (15 members and 4 associates). Established in 1972 it is the largest representative body within the equestrian industry and together with the British Horse Racing Board and the Thoroughbred Breeders Association forms the British Horse Industry Confederation (BHIC).

As a professional representative body within the Equine sector, we would like to provide our support to City & Guilds. We feel that the following qualifications are suitable for a young person between the ages of 16-19 studying full time, and will give that young person an advantage when applying for a job or progressing onto an apprenticeship or further learning. We, the BEF, support the inclusion of:

- City & Guilds Level 2 Extended Certificate in Horse Care (0079-02) 500/8716/2
- City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma in Horse Care (0079-02) 500/8771/X

For inclusion on the DfE 2017 performance tables in the substantial vocational qualifications at level 2 category.

We feel the progression opportunities into employment are:

- Assistant Yard Worker
- Assistant Groom
- Stud Assistant/Hand
- Trek Assistant

We confirm that we consent to our company name (and logo) being made publicly available on the DfE and City & Guilds websites.

Yours sincerely

Alex Copeland
Head of Sport Development