



## Certificate IV in Racing (Racehorse Trainer)

**Course Code** RGR40108

**Area Of Study** Horse Racing Industry

**General Description** A racehorse trainer is a person who is licensed to operate a business that trains horses under racing industry regulated licensing criteria for the purpose of competing in industry-regulated events. The trainer is responsible for the care, maintenance and racing performance of the animals.

A trainer at this level has developed a sound knowledge of all aspects of the industry and has acquired competencies that enable performance of all tasks and duties associated with running a racing establishment, including managing staff, finances and equipment.

The trainer is required to solve unpredictable problems by the analysis and evaluation of information and demonstrate broad knowledge in a variety of contexts. Knowledge of industry rules and legal procedures is essential.

**Delivery Venue** This course is conducted at the Harness Racing Training Centre located at the Bendigo Harness Racing Track, Junortoun near Bendigo and from Tabcorp Park in Melton

**Accreditation** This Course / Qualification has TAFE National Recognition.



**Duration Options** This course can generally be completed in 40 weeks full time depending on the competency development of the individual. It is also offered part time or flexible delivery, the duration will depend on the individual rate of achievement of competencies.

**Fees** This course attracts Victorian Government funding. This qualification may also be provided on a fee for service basis.

**Australian Apprenticeship Options** May be offered as a Traineeship



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| <b>Prerequisites of Qualifications / Experience</b> | It is expected that the student will have completed the Certificate III in Racing (Advanced Stablehand) before attempting this course. The Certificate III can be undertaken at the same time if required.  |
| <b>Other Course Requirements</b>                    | You will be required to be physically fit and capable of normal manual handling activities. Students are expected to have literacy and numeracy equivalent to a year 10 standard.   |
| <b>Key Study Areas</b>                              | Key study areas include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Team management</li><li>• Occupational health and safety</li><li>• Horse health</li><li>• Supervision</li><li>• Horse nutrition and anatomy</li><li>• The operation of a racing stable and business.</li></ul> |
| <b>Where</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Flexible Delivery</li><li>• Workplace Based</li></ul>   |
| <b>Selection Process</b>                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Individual Interview</li></ul>  |
| <b>Employment Opportunities</b>                     | On successful completion of this course you may find employment as a horse trainer in the standardbred industry   |
| <b>Further Study Options</b>                        | HRTC may offer future pathways to a range of occupations in the racing industry including administration and stewarding.  |
| <b>Pathways Courses</b>                             |   |
| <b>Assessment</b>                                   | Yes   |



**Typical Course  
Content**

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| RGRCMN401A | Maintain And Monitor OHS Procedures And Environmental Work Practices             |
| BSBITU203A | Communicate Electronically   |
| BSBSMB407A | Manage A Small Team  |
| RGRCMN402A | Participate In Media Interviews For Racing                                       |
| RGRPSH209A | Attend Horses At Race Meetings And Trials  |
| RGRPSH301A | Implement Stable Operations  |
| RGRPSH302A | Supervise Handling Of Horses   |
| RGRPSH401A | Relate Anatomical And Physiological Features To The Care And Treatment Of Horses |
| RGRPSH408A | Manage Horse Health And Welfare  |
| RGRPSH409A | Determine Nutritional Requirements For Racing Horses                             |
| RGRPSH417A | Participate In Protests, Inquiries And Appeals                                   |
| RGRPSH421A | Operate Horse Racing Training Business   |
| RGRPSH501A | Plan And Adapt Training And Conditioning Programs For Racehorses                 |
| RGRPSH503A | Trial And Race Horses  |

**Recognition of  
Prior Learning**

Recognition of your current qualifications and prior learning: HRTC has processes to give you credit for relevant units from your prior study, and to assess your prior learning against units in a course.

**Contact:**

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