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AWARD

**IN THE PRINCIPLES
OF TRANSPORTING
HORSES BY ROAD
ON LONG JOURNEYS**

**NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS
AND QUALIFICATION STRUCTURE
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Award in the Principles of Transporting Horses by Road on Long Journeys

Level 3

BHEST No: **QCF No:**

Unit Title

MANDATORY UNITS

Candidates must achieve ONE of the following units

THRLJ3A1 F/601/7846

Transport horses by road on long journeys –
attendant

THRLJ3A2 H/601/7807

Transport horses by road on long journeys –
attendant/driver

Unit Title	Transport horses by road on long journeys – attendant		
Level	3	Credits	3
BHEST Reference Number	THRLJ3A1	QCF Number	F/601/7846

About this Unit
This unit is designed to be used to support the legislative requirements in relation to competences for the transportation of horses (Council Regulation EC No. 1/2005) with specific reference to the knowledge and skills required by attendants.

Learning Outcome The Learner will:	To achieve this unit you should have the knowledge and/or skills to:	Assessment Guidance
1. Know the legislation and administrative procedures that govern the transport of horses	1.1 Describe the legislation relating to the transport of horses	Including personal health and safety
	1.2 Identify who is responsible for the welfare of the horses before, during and after transportation and what that responsibility entails	
	1.3 State the powers of enforcement including enforcement responsibilities, restrictions and penalties	
	1.4 Describe the requirements for rest, feed and water in relation to the horses being transported	Identify the relevance of vehicle design and construction
	1.5 Describe the process of risk assessment	
	1.6 Explain transport authorisation and recording requirements	
2. Understand horse stress and how to avoid it	2.1 Describe the normal behaviour of horses	To include how stress can be avoided and the actions to take in order to reduce stress
	2.2 Explain what stress is in horses, the indicators of stress and ill-health and the impact it may have upon their behaviour	

	2.3 Identify the causes of stress and how to recognise signs of stress in horses	<p>To include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety and welfare when handling horses • Appropriate handling and loading methods • Use of lighting • Appropriate use of aids
2.4 Explain how stress can be avoided and the actions to take in order to reduce stress		
2.5 Explain appropriate methods of handling horses during loading and unloading		
3. Understand how to effectively plan and prepare for the transport of horses	3.1 Explain what should be included when planning a journey	<p>To include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The principles of journey planning • Maximum travelling times and required rest periods • Suitable horse clothing • Time taken to load and unload • Documentation • Safe, efficient and effective vehicle loading • Safe, efficient and effective vehicle operation and control • Monitoring the condition of horses • The impact of changing conditions • Contingency plans • Who to contact during an emergency • Identify how GPS equipment is used to support the transportation of horses during long journeys

4. Be able to effectively plan and prepare for the transport of horses	4.1	Develop a journey plan and ensure its suitability in relation to the needs of the horse(s) and legislative requirements	Plan reflects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The needs of the horses being transported • The distance being travelled • Anticipated rest requirements • Feed and water requirements • The handlers required
	4.2	Check the details of the horses being transported	
	4.3	Check and complete documents for transportation	
5. Be able to safely load and unload horses	5.1	Explain when it is permissible to transport sick/injured horses	To include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Methods of dealing with slippery surfaces • Partitioning horses appropriately
	5.2	Identify the common indicators of illness, injury and stress in horses	
	5.3	Check the fitness of horses for transport	
	5.4	Identify and apply space allowances and segregation requirements	
	5.5	Ensure the vehicle and container are in a suitable condition for the receipt of horses	
	5.6	Load, partition and unload horses in a manner that will minimise stress	
	5.7	Effectively communicate with others involved in the transport of horses	
	5.8	Effectively clean the vehicle using appropriate tools and equipment	

6. Be able to care for horses during transportation	6.1	Monitor and maintain the welfare of horses during transport	
	6.2	Monitor temperature and humidity and adjust as appropriate	
	6.3	Maintain feed and water requirements according to the individual requirements of the horse being transported	
	6.4	Explain how to identify horses which become unfit during the journey and make provision for their care	
	6.5	Implement rest periods	
	6.6	Summarise contingency plans for dealing with emergencies	
7. Maintain equine transport in a hygienic condition	7.1	Summarise the principles of cleaning and disinfecting vehicles before and after the journey	
	7.2	Clean the vehicle using appropriate tools and equipment	

General Notes

Evidence for assessment must take place in realistic working conditions.

Unit Title	Transport horses by road on long journeys – attendant/driver		
Level	3	Credits	3
BHEST Reference Number	THRLJ3A2	WBA Number	H/601/7807

About this Unit
This unit is designed to be used to support the legislative requirements in relation to competences for the transportation of horses (Council Regulation EC No. 1/2005) with specific reference to the knowledge and skills required by attendants and drivers.

Learning Outcome The Learner will:	To achieve this unit you should have the knowledge and/or skills to:	Assessment Guidance
1. Know the legislation and administrative procedures that govern the transport of horses	1.1 Describe the legislation relating to the transport of horses	Including personal health and safety Identify the relevance of vehicle design and construction
	1.2 Identify who is responsible for the welfare of the horses before, during and after transportation and what that responsibility entails	
	1.3 State the powers of enforcement officers including enforcement responsibilities, restrictions and penalties	
	1.4 Describe the requirements for rest, feed and water in relation to the horses being transported	
	1.5 Describe the process of risk assessment	
	1.6 Explain the authorisation and recording requirements for transporters	
2. Understand horse stress and how to avoid it	2.1 Describe the normal behaviour of horses	To include how stress can be avoided and the actions to take in order to reduce stress
	2.2 Explain what stress is in horses, the indicators of stress and ill-health and the impact it may have upon their behaviour	

	2.3 Identify the causes of stress and how to recognise signs of stress in horses	<p>To Include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety and welfare when handling horses • Appropriate handling and loading methods • Use of lighting • Appropriate use of aids
	2.4 Explain how stress can be avoided and the actions to take in order to reduce stress	
	2.5 Explain appropriate methods of handling horses during loading and unloading	
3. Understand how to effectively plan and prepare for the transport of horses	3.1 Explain what should be included when planning a journey	<p>To include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The principles of journey planning • Maximum travelling times and required rest periods • Suitable horse clothing • Time taken to load and unload • Documentation • Safe, efficient and effective vehicle loading • Safe, efficient and effective vehicle operation and control • Monitoring the condition of horses • The impact of changing conditions • Contingency plans • Who to contact during an emergency • Identify how GPS equipment is used to support the transportation of horses during long journeys

4. Be able to effectively plan and prepare for the transportation of horses	4.1	Accurately complete Animal Transport Certification and any other documentation	Plan reflects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The needs of the horses being transported • The distance being travelled • Anticipated rest requirements • Feed and water requirements • The handlers required
	4.2	Develop a journey plan and ensure its suitability in relation to the needs of the horse(s) and legislative requirements	
	4.3	Check the details of the horses being transported	
5. Be able to safely load and unload horses	5.1	Explain when it is permissible to transport sick/injured horses	To include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Methods of dealing with slippery surfaces • Partitioning horses appropriately
	5.2	Check the fitness of horses for transport	
	5.3	Identify and apply space allowances and segregation requirements	
	5.4	State the maximum and minimum external temperatures permitted for loading horses for transport	
	5.5	Ensure the vehicle and container are in a suitable condition for the receipt of horses	
	5.6	Load, partition and unload horses in a manner that will minimise stress	
	5.7	Effectively communicate with others involved in the transportation of horses	

6. Be able to care for horses during transport	6.1	Monitor and maintain the welfare of horses during transport	
	6.2	Monitor temperature, humidity and ventilation and adjust as appropriate	
	6.3	Maintain feed and water requirements according to the individual requirements of the horse being transported	
	6.4	Explain how to identify horses which become unfit during the journey and make provision for their care	
	6.5	Implement rest periods	
	6.6	Summarise contingency plans for dealing with emergencies	
7. Be able to transport horses safely	7.1	Check the appropriateness of the area before loading and unloading	<p>To include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positioning the vehicle safely • Maintain equine safety and welfare when applying brakes • Navigate effectively using appropriate means
	7.2	Ensure safety of others during vehicle manoeuvres, loading and unloading	
	7.3	Manoeuvre and drive the vehicle in a manner which maintain safety and welfare of the horse in transit	
8. Maintain equine transport in a hygienic condition	8.1	Summarise the principles of cleaning and disinfecting vehicles before and after the journey	
	8.2	Clean the vehicle using appropriate tools and equipment	

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