



# RGR40118 - CERTIFICATE IV IN RACING (RACEHORSE TRAINER)

RTO CODE 45565



*Racing NSW Training Provider*

## INTRODUCTION

Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy is a Registered Training Organisation (RTO number 45565) registered with the Australian Skills Quality Authority. Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy is proud to offer the RGR40118 - Certificate IV in Racing (Racehorse Trainer) as a 12 month full time traineeship program, delivered over 48 weeks. The program involves both scheduled classroom learning activities and workplace based training and assessment. This program provides learners with advanced skills and knowledge required in the handling and the care and training of Thoroughbred horses, and to improve their employment opportunities.

If you work in or wish to pursue a career within the Racing Industry, this is the course for you.

This qualification reflects those who are working as a racehorse trainer in a thoroughbred racing stable.

## WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR TRAINING?

Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy is responsible under the National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Act 2011 for the quality of the training and assessment being delivered in this course and for the issuance of all AQF certificates.

## UNITS OF COMPETENCY

The RGR40118 - Certificate IV in Racing (Racehorse Trainer) comprises 16 units of competency. Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy have organised these units of competency into relevant clusters relating to shared skills and knowledge or shared work tasks. This results in an efficient delivery of training and assessment and a structure that is very logical for learners.

To be issued the qualification RGR40118 - Certificate IV in Racing (Racehorse Trainer) a learner must be assessed as competent in 16 units of competency. These units of competency are comprised of 7 core units and 9 elective units.

Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy have selected the elective units of competency within this course.

The selection of these units of competency and the course structure has been confirmed through industry engagement undertaken by Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy.

The RGR40118 - Certificate IV in Racing (Racehorse Trainer) is delivered using the course structure outlined below.

### CORE UNITS

#### General business skills

- BSBSMB407** Manage a small team
- BSBWHS301** Maintain workplace safety

#### Racing industry business skills

- RGRCMN203** Comply with racing industry ethics and integrity
- RGRPSH421** Operate horse racing training business
- RGRCMN305** Participate in racing protests and inquiries
- RGRPSH504** Develop systems and records for horse racing business training operations
- RGRCMN402** Participate in media interviews for racing

### ELECTIVE UNITS

#### Horse training skills

- ACMHBR305** Assess suitability of horses for specific uses
- RGRPSH301** Implement stable operations
- RGRPSH302** Supervise handling of horses
- RGRPSH420** Participate in implementing racehorse exercise programs
- RGRPSH501** Plan and adapt training and conditioning programs for racehorses
- RGRPSH503** Trial and race horses
- RGRPSH408** Manage horse health and welfare
- RGRPSH409** Determine nutritional requirements for racing horses
- RGRTRK402** Relate animal welfare to track and environmental conditions

## NATIONAL RECOGNITION

These competencies have been drawn from the nationally endorsed industry training package the Racing and Breeding Training Package (RGR). On successfully completing the training and assessment, the RGR40118 - Certificate IV in Racing (Racehorse Trainer) qualification will be issued. A transcript listing all units of competency will also be issued. The qualification and units of competency are nationally recognised and provide individuals with a valuable qualification that can be applied throughout Australia and the wider racing industry. Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy will issue a qualification within 30 days of the final assessment being completed.

## PROGRAM OUTLINE

Training is delivered in a blended delivery including, on-the-job training, self-paced learning, and workplace training. Written learning activities will reinforce theoretical knowledge, and skills will be practiced in the workplace where learning will be placed into context. Visits by Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy trainers to the learner's workplace will be undertaken regularly over the duration of the 12-month program. The primary purpose of workplace visits is to deliver workplace training and undertake workplace assessment. The course modules are sequenced in a way that allows a logical progression and the achievement of prerequisite units of competency. Participants will be provided with professionally presented reference material to assist them to develop their knowledge of the subject.

## LOCATIONS

The training is delivered in the workplace with a licensed Racing Industry Employer.

## EXPECTED DURATION

The program is designed to be delivered over 48 weeks in 12 months. Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy is able to support participants that need additional time. Alternatively, participants who have pre-existing skills and knowledge may be able to complete the course in a shorter duration.

## ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENTS

The assessment is conducted using a combination of realistic workplace tasks, projects, knowledge tests, response to case studies and feedback from supervisors. The following provides a brief explanation of the assessment methods that are to be applied:

- **Observation assessment.** The learner is required to demonstrate a range of skills whilst being observed by, or interacting with, the assessor. These activities will be clearly explained and always relate to duties relevant to the workplace. These activities allow the assessor to observe the learner apply their knowledge and skills during practical activity.
- **Written assessment.** The learner is required to complete written response knowledge assessment in relation to each unit of competency. These activities are explained within issued workbooks and will require the learner to undertake basic research in the workplace.
- **Apprentice school assessment.** The learner is required to complete assessments that are set out at scheduled apprentice school sessions over the duration of the 48-week program. The sessions will involve presentations, classroom discussions, breakout activities and role-plays.
- **Supervisor feedback.** Workplace supervisors will be asked to provide feedback about the learner's performance during a module. The supervisor will receive a briefing at the time the learner begins studying each module to inform them of the module requirements. The assessor will engage directly with the supervisor to seek feedback on the learner's performance.

## ON-THE-JOB TRAINING, WORKPLACE TRAINING AND SELF-PACED LEARNING

Students in the RGR40118 Certificate IV in Racing (Racehorse Trainer) are required to participate in on-the-job training within a licensed Racing Industry Employer. Noting this, the Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy program is delivered over 48 weeks and expects the learner will be engaged in a minimal of 20 hours on-the-job training activities each week. In addition to this the trainer will also visit the learner in the workplace and will deliver one-on-one training at intervals throughout the course duration.

Learners are also required to engage in self-paced learning which involve allocated self-paced learning activities within their workbook. It is expected that the learner will need to allocate a minimum of three hours per week over the course duration to complete the self-paced learning.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To undertake this qualification the individual must have:

- A racing industry Certificate III qualification demonstrating industry-relevant experience in the care, welfare and management of horses such as RGR30518 Certificate III in Racing (Trackwork Rider), or RGR30218 Certificate III in Racing (Stablehand), or RGR30318 Certificate III in Racing (Driving Stablehand).
- Or demonstrated equivalent skills and knowledge in the care, welfare and management of horses commensurate with the qualifications above.

Noting this, Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy requires persons who undertake this course to:

- Be working and are currently employed as a stable foreman or racehorse trainer in a thoroughbred racing stable.
- Attend and participate in scheduled training and assessment, both on and off-the-job.
- Participate in workplace tasks to employer expectations.
- Be able to work in a thoroughbred racing industry environment and handle industry standard equipment.
- Have suitable language, literacy and numeracy skills to read and comprehend learning materials and perform tasks related to routine work in their role.

- To be licensed as a Racehorse Trainer with Racing NSW, participants must be enrolled in the RGR40118 Certificate IV in Racing (Racehorse Trainer) course and complete three units as outlined by Racing NSW, the NSW Regulatory Body, prior to being issued a license. If then approved for a licence, you are required to complete the balance of the course within six months including attendance at a face to face workshop.
- Undertaking this qualification does not ensure you will be licensed as a Racehorse Trainer. Each Regulatory Body has licensing requirements with criteria to meet.

**Please note:** Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy will engage with persons expressing interest in enrolment to discuss their language, literacy and numeracy skills. Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy can provide additional learning support to students who require basic assistance. For students who have more fundamental support needs, Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy can refer these students to a specialist language, literacy and numeracy development provider who can assist students to improve their language, literacy and numeracy skills to enable them to suitably commence the course.

## HORSESAFE INDUSTRY INDUCTION

All persons requiring to be licensed in the NSW Racing Industry must complete the mandatory HorseSafe Industry Induction.

<https://www.racingsnsw.com.au/rules-policies-whs/horsesafe-induction/>





## RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)

Applicants can apply for recognition of their existing skills and knowledge that are relevant to the units of competency within the program. These skills and knowledge may have been obtained through workplace training or experience and may reduce the number of units required to be completed during the program. Students are encouraged to notify Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy of their interest or intention to apply for RPL prior to their enrolment. We will provide you a pre-training review questionnaire that gathers information about your prior experience. This information is then used to determine the best pathway for you to achieve competency.



## STUDENT INFORMATION

Detailed learner information is available within our Student Handbook which is supplied with the enrolment package. This booklet contains important information about a learner's rights and obligations such as their right to privacy, a safe training environment and the right to complain or appeal an assessment decision. It is important that persons applying for enrolment have had an opportunity to review this information first. Please contact us and we can send this information to you straight away.



## DRESS AND EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

Students are required to wear personal protective equipment (PPE) appropriate to the role and work area.



## COST

This course is available on a fee for service arrangement. The current cost can be found in our Fee Schedule along with details of refund rights and obligations.



## GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL SUPPORT

This training is subsidised by the NSW government under Smart and Skilled program. The student fee you will need to pay, will be determined according to your personal circumstances and eligibility for a subsidised place, you may also be eligible for a concession fee, fee exemption or fee free scholarship. Payment by instalments is available.

You may continue with an enrolment into this course if you are not eligible for subsidised training, however the full training fee will be applicable. There are conditions to enrolment if you are a Temporary Visa Holder. To discuss your visa status and eligibility to enrol please phone us to discuss.

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