HORSE TRAINER (Agriculture, Amusement, and Recreation)

DOT: 419.224-010 SVP 7

Job Description: Trains horses for riding, show, work, or racing. Physical Demands - Medium lifting, carrying or moving (up to 50 lbs); General Education Development - R3 M2 L2; Aptitudes - Average verbal, spatial, form perception, clerical perception, motor coordination, finger dexterity, manual dexterity, Eye-Hand-Foot coordination, and color discrimination.

CORE SKILL COMPETENCIES/INDICATORS:

1. Can demonstrate knowledge of equine behavior and psychology. (IN, S)
2. Can demonstrate knowledge of equine anatomy and physiology. (IN, S)
3. Can demonstrate knowledge of equine diseases and nutritional requirements. (IN, S)
4. Can demonstrate knowledge of breed characteristics and horse selection. (IN, S)
5. Can demonstrate knowledge of equine breeding and reproduction. (IN, S)
6. Can demonstrate knowledge of equine training philosophies and techniques. (IN, S)
7. Can demonstrate knowledge of history and status of equine industry. (IN, S)
8. Can demonstrate proper techniques used to groom and provide general horse care. (R, I, S)
9. Can demonstrate proper techniques used to accustom horses to human voice and contact. (R, I, S)
10. Can demonstrate proper techniques used to train horses to respond to oral, spur or rein commands. (R, I, S)
11. Can demonstrate proper techniques used to train horses for riding, racing, show competition, and/or to pack loads. (R, I, S)
12. Can demonstrate proper techniques used to retrain horses to break habits, such as kicking, bolting, and resisting bridling and grooming. (R, I, S)
13. Can demonstrate knowledge of, and ability to perform, western riding techniques. (R, S)
14. Can demonstrate ability to determine and perform appropriate exercise routines for animals. (R, I, S)
15. Can demonstrate ability to appropriately examine horses for signs of illness, and treat according to instructions. (R, I, IN, S, T)
16. Can demonstrate proper foaling procedures. (R, I, S, T)
17. Can demonstrate ability to shoe horses. (R, I, S, T)
18. Can demonstrate understanding of the operating routines of horse shows. (R, S)
19. Can demonstrate ability to properly maintain and/or organize a tack room or other storage area. (R, S)
20. Can demonstrate effective communication skills. (I, IN)