

QUALIFICATION SPECIFICATION							SECTION A
QUALIFICATION DEVELOPER		Botswana Police College					
TITLE	Certificate V in Equestrian				NCQF LEVEL	5	
FIELD	Law and Security		SUB-FIELD		Equestrian		
New qualification	✓	Review of existing qualification					
SUB-FRAMEWORK	General Education		TVET	✓	Higher Education		
	Certificate	✓	Diploma		Bachelor		
QUALIFICATION TYPE	Bachelor Honours		Master		Doctor		
CREDIT VALUE					120		
RATIONALE AND PURPOSE OF THE QUALIFICATION							
<p>The Certificate in Equestrian is designed to equip candidates with relevant horse-riding skills and management to combat crime on horseback. Horses are effective to patrol areas where motor vehicles cannot reach. They also cover a large area as compared to officers on foot patrol and they enable riders to view from above. Mounted patrols help in tracking of missing persons as well as wanted persons. This qualification is designed to provide learners with the necessary knowledge, skills and attitudes required in this highly specialized industry. The Botswana Police Service then found it important to develop a standard of professional riding skills by providing a qualification for Equine and Equestrian.</p> <p>This qualification is also commensurate with vision 2036 pillar no. 4; Governance, Peace and Security, which envisages that Botswana will be a peaceful society with, low levels of crime. In addition, it is underpinned on Botswana Police Service Corporate Development Strategy of 2017-2023 Paragraph 7.1.1.2 SPECIALIZED TEAMS; (See Annexure). These are intended to curb complex crimes. Therefore, it cannot be conclusive that a single approach can deal with all types of crime. Furthermore, the need for use of horses in combating crime has been necessitated by the training needs analysis (TNA) of 2017.</p> <p>The qualification is intended to produce highly skilled professionals who are self-driven, innovative and comparable to regional and international market in the area of crime investigation using horses. The qualification also allows police officers employed in the safety and protection sector to progress by displaying advanced horse-riding skills and perform the safekeeping roles in the broader safety in society environment and pursue studies at a more advanced managerial level.</p> <p>PURPOSE:</p> <p>The purpose of this qualification is to produce horse riders who are, among others, competent, adaptable, creative and also physically and mentally fit. The horse riders also need to be groomed to work closely with the community and other stakeholders. Upon completion of this qualification trainees would have been capacitated to be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Competently adhere to the organisation's core values of Botho, Excellence, Integrity and Teamwork. Conduct effective patrol on horse back Cover a large area as compared to officers on foot patrol 							

- Track missing persons as well as wanted persons
- Enforce public order

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS (including access and inclusion)

Minimum entry requirement for this qualification will be:

- NCQF Level IV (Certificate IV) or its equivalent
- Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) Credit Accumulation and Transfer (CAT) systems will also be applied to provide opportunities for access.

QUALIFICATION SPECIFICATION		SECTION B
GRADUATE PROFILE (LEARNING OUTCOMES) Upon completion of the qualification, candidates will;	ASSESSMENT CRITERIA	
1. Implement Organisational Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) procedures.	1.1 Apply various legislation, instructions and/or agreements in OHS. 1.2 Apply Risk Assessment processes and Risk Management principles	
2. Demonstrate application of basic first aid in order to preserve life	2.1 Demonstrate proper use of first aid equipment 2.2 Apply chain of survival 2.3 Apply basic life support skills 2.4 Apply appropriate techniques to relief choking 2.5 Exhibit skill on injury management	
3. Demonstrate knowledge of horse behaviour when approaching a horse	3.1 Discuss horse behaviour 3.2 Outline approaches to a horse	
4. Demonstrate skills on the use of saddlery and related equipment when tacking a horse	4.1 Identify different saddlery equipment 4.2 Exhibit knowledge on the use of different saddlery equipment	
5. Demonstrate horse riding skills for different purposes	5.1 use of tack equipment 5.2 Display skill on riding school etiquette 5.3 Show how to jump on horseback	
6. Demonstrate stable management skills in accordance with stable procedures	6.1 Discuss stable management 6.2 Show how to groom a horse	
7. Demonstrate skill on management of equine health	7.1 Discuss general well-being of horses 7.2 Identify the signs of ill health on equines 7.3 Administer basic first aid to equines	
8. Demonstrate knowledge of equine farriery	8.1 Discuss farriery 8.2 Illustrate farrier tools	
9. Exhibit skill on troop drill formations during public events	9.1 Discuss troop drill formations 9.2 Conduct troop drill formations	

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QUALIFICATION STRUCTURE		SECTION C	
FUNDAMENTAL COMPONENT Subjects / Units / Modules /Courses	Title	Level	Credits
	Occupational Health and Safety (OHS)	4	8
	First Aid	4	10
CORE COMPONENT Subjects / Units / Modules /Courses	Horse Behaviour	5	11
	Saddlery	5	15
	Horse Riding	5	22
	Stable Management	5	15
	Equine Health	5	15
	Equine Farriery	5	15
	Troop Drill Formations	5	9
Electives Component Subjects/ units/modules courses	N/A		
TOTAL			120
Rules of combinations, Credit distribution (where applicable):			
A candidate is required to achieve a minimum of 120 credits inclusive of 18 credits for fundamental and 102 credits for core component. Fundamental modules have 180 notional learning hours (18 credits) and core modules have 1020 notional learning hours (102 credits) to complete the defined learning outcomes.			
Credit distribution			
Module level		Credit value	
Level 4		18	
Level 5		102	
Total		120	

ASSESSMENT AND MODERATION ARRANGEMENTS

Internal Assessment

Formative assessment

Assessment Elements

Formative/ Continuous Assessment 40%

Summative 60%

Internal and External moderation requirements

Moderation

Internal Moderation Requirements

Internal moderation will be done by qualified moderators in accordance with principles and practices of Assessment and Moderation Policy to ascertain fairness, and consistency in the decisions made by the assessor.

External moderation requirements

- Engagement of experienced field experts from different organisations.
- Sampling will be done according to the best practices or policies on assessment and moderation

RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (if applicable)

Recognition of Prior Learning will be considered for the award in accordance with the National RPL Policy.

PROGRESSION PATHWAYS (LEARNING AND EMPLOYMENT)

Learning Pathways

Horizontal Articulation

- Certificate V in Equine Stud Management
- Certificate V in Equine Trek Guiding
- Certificate V in Equine Training

Vertical Articulation

- Advanced Certificate in Equestrian
- Diploma in Equestrian
- Horsemanship

Employment Pathways

- Horse Riding Instructor
- Horse Racing Stable assistant
- Equine Trek Guide
- Farrier assistant

QUALIFICATION AWARD AND CERTIFICATION

The minimum credit requirement for this award is 120.

Certification

Upon completion of the qualification, the candidate will be awarded Certificate in Equestrian

REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMPARABILITY

REGIONAL COMPARABILITY

The International comparison focused on the specific needs of current policing environment. International comparison was conducted by means of desktop benchmarking based on the Exit Level Outcomes and Associated Assessment Criteria and Research on the Internet.

South Africa

South Africa Police Mounted Academy

The South Africa Police Mounted Academy offers a 7 weeks undergraduate Basic Equestrian Course at Level 5 with 120 Credits. The assessment strategies were not indicated. This qualification is intended to develop competencies in relation to developing riding proficiencies, loading and unloading horse for transport and clear understanding of equine health and well-being. It is in terms of the latter that it is similar to Certificate in Equestrian offered by Botswana Police College in Botswana.

Zimbabwe

Lee Valley Equestrian Centre

Lee Valley Equestrian Centre offers a 9 weeks undergraduate Basic Equestrian Course at Level 5 with 120 Credits. The assessment strategies, main exit outcomes and employment pathways were not indicated. This qualification was intended to equip riders with competencies in cross- country or endurance riding and using methods said to be derived from observation of the natural behavior of free roaming horses and rejecting abusive training methods.

INTERNATIONAL COMPARABILITY

CANADA

The Maritime Equestrian Centre offers 9 weeks undergraduate Horse-Riding qualification at Level 5 with 120 credits. The assessment strategies and employment pathways were not indicated. The qualification is intended to equip riders with competencies in grooming a horse, developing riding proficiencies and using a horse in group and formation riding.

REVIEW PERIOD

The qualification will be reviewed 5 years upon its registration.