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RACING STEWARD EDUCATIONAL PATHWAYS

Entry Level

Employers require applicants who have completed at least Year 10, but most prefer applicants who have successfully completed Years 11 & 12 or a School Based Apprenticeship/Traineeship or Curriculum Framework Course relating to this industry such as -

RGR20221 - Certificate II in Racing Industry

This qualification describes the skills and knowledge for supporting job roles in the horse or greyhound racing industry. It allows for specialisation in various roles, including stable hand (harness or thoroughbred), stud hand (breeding), track maintenance and racing administration.

Individuals with this qualification carry out routine tasks under supervision where the work is predictable and structured with limited judgement requirements.

AHC31021 - Certificate III in Parks and Gardens

This qualification describes the skills and knowledge for trade level roles in the parks and gardens industry including gardener, greenkeeper, and grounds person.

Individuals with this qualification perform tasks under broad supervision involving a broad range of skills that are applied in a wide variety of contexts, which will involve discretion and judgement in selecting and operating equipment, coordinating resources and applying contingency measures during work.

<u>AHC31319 - Certificate III in Sports Turf Management</u>

This qualification describes the skills and knowledge for trade level roles carried out under general direction within sports turf management. Individuals with this qualification perform tasks autonomously involving a broad range of skills that are applied in a wide variety of sports turf facilities and workplaces. They exercise discretion and judgement in planning tasks, selecting, and operating equipment, coordinating resources and applying contingency measures during work.

AHC40416 - Certificate IV in Horticulture

This qualification allows individuals to develop post-trade skills and knowledge across a broad coverage of the industry prior to undertaking higher level roles in the industry. Supervising staff and managing the repairs, maintenance and planning of horticulture related tasks such as landscaping projects, irrigation installation, laying turf and grassed areas, turf renovation procedures etc.

AHC51019 - Diploma of Sports Turf Management

This qualification describes the skills and knowledge for management roles in sports turf. Job roles include senior curators/arena managers, golf course superintendents, sports turf managers, racetrack managers, senior bowling greenkeepers and turf consultants.

It applies to individuals who are responsible for the management of sports turf facilities and who analyse information and exercise judgement to complete a range of advanced skilled activities and demonstrate deep knowledge in specific technical areas. They have accountability for the work of others and analyse, design and communicate solutions to a range of complex problems.

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CAREER PATHWAYS/SPECIALISATIONS

Racing stewards work closely with the governing body of each specific code of racing within each state so opportunities to advance your career will depend on which code and state you are employed in. For further information relating to specific selection criteria and career opportunities refer to the table below to contact your chosen Racing Code in the state you wish to work in.

For further information relating to this job search the following web sites for the industry code that you are interested in working in to seek more career advice and employment opportunities. Either click on the logo to open the web page or click on the QR code with your app.

	RACING AUSTRALIA	
Australian Harness Racing	AUSTRALIAN HARNESS RACING	
Racing NSW	RACING NSW	
GREYHOUND RACING NSW	GREYHOUND RACING NSW	
Harness Racing NEW SOUTH WALES	HARNESS RACING NSW	

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HINTS ON HOW TO APPLY FOR THIS JOB

The first thing to do is to look up the racing club in your region and ring them or meet with them to discuss the opportunity to work in this industry. If you don't have a local track or club then follow the 9 steps below that could assist you to secure work as a track maintenance worker -

- 1. identify your strengths and weaknesses, especially in problem solving, communication, ethics and integrity as these are essential to being successful as a track maintenance worker.
- 2. decide where you want to work; are you willing to relocate to get your dream job? There may be more opportunities in cities than in regional areas.
- 3. research information about this job and find out what the entry requirements or essential criteria are that must be met; such as do you need to have your HSC or gain your licence before getting an interview?
- 4. You may also like to chat to your job search agent or search some of the online employment agencies such as SEEK, Jobsearch, Indeed or Linked In to find job vacancies for electricians in your region.
- 5. create a quality resume and include your academic achievements, experience, interests and passions.
- 6. contact potential employers by writing or directly calling them to demonstrate your interest and communication skills. Prospective employers highly value self-starters and prospective career aspirants with initiative who take such steps to seek for themselves employment as an apprentice.
- 7. if you are still at school, you may be able to take up a school-based apprenticeship. There are opportunities available in some schools that allow you to take on a part-time apprenticeship known as a School-Based Apprenticeship or Traineeship (SBAT). Ask your school if they support this government initiative and ask the employer if they would be interested in such an arrangement. SBATs are a really good way to allow you to finish school and at the same time learn and earn as an apprentice.
- 8. your employer should contact the <u>Australian Apprenticeship Support Network (AASNs)</u> for further information on how to sign you up.
- 9. sign up to your traineeship with your employer (as well as the support of your family if you are under 18 years old) to start "learning and earning" to become a racing steward (and support of your family if you are under 18 years old) to start "learning and earning" to be a track maintenance worker.

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HAVE YOU CONSISDERED THESE RACING INDUSTRY JOBS?

You may like to consider one of the roles listed below, for further information click on the photo or scan the MAE QR code at the bottom of the page.

- Jockey/trackwork rider \Rightarrow
- Stablehand/kennelhand \Rightarrow
- **Racing Steward** \Rightarrow
- **Track Manager** \Rightarrow
- **Security personnel** \Rightarrow
- Animal massage therapist \Rightarrow
- **Animal acupuncturist** \Rightarrow
- Landscape gardener \Rightarrow
- **Veterinary Nurse** \Rightarrow
- **Yearling Preparation** \Rightarrow
- **Foaling attendant** \Rightarrow









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