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| **Farrier/Company Name:** | | | | **Workplace location:**  Varied, farm and ranch yards, corrals, barns, stables |
| **Prepared by:** | | | | **Date:** |
| **Tasks / Activities** | **Hazard** | **Risk level** | **Control Measures** | |
| **Shoeing Trimming Horses** | Slips, trips, falls | **5**  Unlikely could happen but rare: Minor to moderate consequences | * Work on even ground when and where possible * Keep area neat and clean free from tripping hazards * Avoid or control slippery surfaces. Place stands, tool trays and other items in consistent place * Use appropriate footwear for conditions and task * Keep area free from distractions, * Refuse work in unsafe conditions, debris, dogs, fencing, securing post or similar | |
| Stepped on kicked, run over | **3**  Likely, could happen occasionally: Could have major consequences | * Ensure that client horse has worked with feet and horse is prepared for your work * If capturing the horse, you are to work on is a challenge or problem have the owner do this * Ensure control of the horse being worked on, properly tie or wrap the lead on the horse * Ensure area is secure and free from distractions and things that horse may be unfamiliar with or which may startle the horse while you are working * Consider removing dogs, children and other distractions or other items that have the potential to ‘spook” the horse * Do not use damaged or broken halters or lead ropes * Tie or wrap, as preferred, but only use suitable solid posts or similar immovable secure point * If horse is unprepared for you by owner consider your right to refuse to work with that horse until it is ready to be safely trimmed or shod * If capturing the horse requires entry to a pen or corral pre plan your exit if you need to remove yourself from the situation quickly * Never wrap the lead rope around your hand or tie it to your person | |
| Cuts & scrapes | **6**  Likely, could happen occasionally: Minor to moderate consequences | * “ring” off nails after driving through shoe and hoof * Ensure cutting strokes are away from holding hand * Keep holding hand away from, under and out of path of any cut or scraping action * Keep tools sharp and in caddy or chap pouch when not in use * Check shoes for flaws and metal spurs prior to fitting | |
| Repetitive strains, muscle pull & strain MSI | **4**  Likely, could happen occasionally: Moderate consequences | * Stay fit * Stretch prior to working and take micro breaks with stretching between shoes and foot shaping on each leg * Horse should be prepared for you and your work, not fighting to position or hold foot * Position tools to avoid awkward body position twists * Release hoof/foot/leg if the horse does not relinquish foot | |

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