



Occupational Standard Title SET AND COMMUNICATE FEES, PRICES, AND TERMS **OF BUSINESS**

Overview

This standard is about how to set fair fees, prices and terms and conditions that comply with relevant legislation and regulation. Whilst services and sales must represent good and fair value to the client, the Equine Fitter must ensure a sustainable business model by setting fees and prices that cover costs and allow investment in tools, stock, and education and provide, at minimum, a living wage.

You may also refer to:

EFCC01	Coach client to monitor and maintain safe and correct fit of saddlery and lorinery
EFCC02	Discuss fitting approach and likely outcomes and make referrals
EFCGS01	Manage appointments and deliver customer service
INSCS026	Monitor and solve customer service problems
EFCGS03	Maintain appropriate stock, tools, and supplier relationships





Performance Criteria

You must be able to:	P01	Factor in all costs of providing Equine Fitting goods and services, including taxes, travel, and administration costs
	P02	Analyse the local and wider market to understand fees and prices charged in the same and adjoining industries
	P03	Understand, calculate, and apply profit margin to goods sales
	P04	Carry out financial calculations
	P05	Be able to negotiate fees and prices
	P06	Be confident of the value of the service and goods you supply
	P07	Know, understand, and abide by current legislation covering the sale and supply of goods and services in the country of operation





Knowledge and understanding

Calculate	e the cost o	of doing business		
You need	d to know a	and understand		
K01	Start-up a	Start-up and running costs for your business		
K02	How to account for your expert knowledge and time			
Set fees,	s, prices, and offers			
You need to know and understand				
K03	The fees and prices charged by your competition and by similar professionals			
Scope and range		• The fees set per hour, per horse, or per service		
		Whether prices meet, undercut, or exceed recommended retail prices		
K04	Set fees for services and prices for the sale of goods to provide an attractive and fair offering			
Scope and range		Calculate how much you should charge to cover your costs and to provide a living wage		
		 Decide where to place yourself in relation to the market you wish to capture, e.g., affordable or exclusive, and to other practitioners 		
		Decide if you will discount fees or prices		
		 The expected balance of income from fees versus sales and impact on income should that change How might your business model reflect ethical considerations 		
		Keep records of outgoings and income to calculate and track your wage		
K05	When and how much to charge for travel			
Scope and range		Decide how to charge for travel		

upkeep

 $_{\circ}$ Fuel used, wear and tear, other expenses such as purchase and





- Approved mileage and fuel allowance rates set by government, applicable to the travel period
- When discounts may be applied

Communicate fees, prices, and offers

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K06	Communicate fees and prices
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Scope and range

- List fees and prices clearly on your website and any marketing material
- Do not knowingly mislead
- Communicate set and variable costs to clients when making an appointment and again before carrying out any chargeable work or completing any transaction
- Gain and record agreement to fees, prices, and terms before providing goods or services

K07 Advertise promotions, offers or discounts

Scope and range

- Set and adhere to terms offered
- Make it clear where terms vary
 - For types of clients
 - When advertised in a specific publication
 - For different services or products

Take and process payments

You need to know and understand

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	K08	How payment may be taken, charges incurred, and how you prefer to take payment	
Scope and range		and range	Convenient and secure methods of taking payment
			Where you have a preference, or are limited to certain methods of payment, make this clear
	K09 Keep full and accurate records of all transactions		
Scope and I		and range	Complete an invoice and issue to your client for agreement and signature, where applicable





- Give a copy to your client and retain a copy for your records
- Issue or make available your terms and conditions and when and how the client is understood to have agreed to them

Operate in accordance with legislation, regulation, and codes of practice

You need to know and understand

K10 Relevant and current legislation

Scope and range

- Know and understand consumer protection legislation
- Have and operate a complaints procedure
- Know and understand and operate within animal welfare legislation





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