

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title:	Farrier	O*NET-SOC Code:	
Division:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equine-Assisted Activities <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equine-Assisted Therapy <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Research		
Position Type:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> Full-Time <input type="checkbox"/> Intern <input type="checkbox"/> Part-Time <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer		
Schedule:	Maxi-Flex	Salary Range:	\$19,258 to \$28,744
Location:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On Site <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual Office	Reports to:	Barn Manager

Job Purpose

Farriers are highly skilled equine foot-care professionals that use a variety of tools, such as rasps and nippers, to trim and shape an equine's hooves. They also adjust, reshape, and apply horseshoes to the hoof, if necessary.

Job Functions

Core¹ tasks include but may not be limited to:

- Trim equine hooves using utensils such as rasps and nippers
- Clean hooves and remove excess hoof walls and dead sole
- Observe hooves for signs of disease or poor health as well as issues of lameness
- Intervene before a potential problem occurs with an equine's hooves by alerting direct report
- Perform basic level of grooming and therapy toward equines' lower limbs
- Fabricate or purchase horseshoes as requested that are tailored to the equines' duties (riding, racing, working, etc.) and fit properly
- Remove old shoes and replace with new ones, either via hot or cold shoeing
- Carefully evaluating the equine's conformation, gait, and hoof balance when determining adjustments, if any
- Corrective trimming and shoeing of young, growing horses
- Use epoxy, resin, and glue-on shoes to change the angle of the foot and lower limbs to promote correct growth
- Offer recommendations on hoof care products, feeding, supplements, fly sprays, and equipment
- Available for emergencies such as when an equine loses a shoe or has a sore foot that needs attention
- Consult with veterinarians and blacksmiths to construct special shoes or prosthetics to aid horses with severe foot problems

Source: AgCareers. (2018). [Farrier](#).

Source: Kramer, M. H. (2018). [What is a Farrier?](#) The Balance Careers

Supplemental² tasks may be assigned as necessary, related, agreed upon, and appropriately compensated or rewarded

Knowledge

Organized sets of principles and facts include but may not be limited to: Minimum score not met.

Skills

Developed capacities that facilitate learning include but may not be limited to: Minimum score not met.

Abilities

Enduring attributes that influence performance include but may not be limited to: Minimum score not met.

Required	Preferred
Education	
The minimum level of education required is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None	The minimum level of education preferred is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None
Licensure	
The minimum level of licensure required is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <small>Name Level Organization</small>	The minimum level of licensure preferred is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <small>Name Level Organization</small>
Certification	
The minimum level of certification required is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <small>Name Level Organization</small>	The minimum level of certification preferred is: <input type="checkbox"/> None <small>Name Level Organization</small> Certified Farrier American Farriers Association Hunter Jumper One American Association of Professional Farriers
Experience	
The minimum experience required is: <input type="checkbox"/> None • Two or more years as an apprentice	The minimum experience preferred is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None
Direct Reports	
The incumbent may supervise the following positions: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None	

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¹ Critical

² Less relevant and/or important

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Source: <https://www.salary.com/research/salary/benchmark/farrier-salary>

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