

**1. TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (DE)** <sup>(1)</sup>**Lehrabschlussprüfungszeugnis Hufschmied/in**<sup>(1)</sup> in original language**2. TRANSLATED TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (EN)** <sup>(2)</sup>**Certificate of Apprenticeship “blacksmith” (f/m)**<sup>(2)</sup> This translation has no legal status.**3. PROFILE OF SKILLS AND COMPETENCES**

- setting up of a mobile and stationary horseshoeing place
- assessment and analysis of shapes of horseshoes
- analysis and assessment of the horse's old shoes in static and dynamic state
- care (cleaning the frog, cleaning the sole, shortening the bearing edge) of the hoof and rasping of the wall of the hoof
- production and shaping of horseshoes according to standards and hot-fitting of shoes on the hoof
- selection of nails for hoof and horseshoe, nailing and riveting of horseshoes, as well as finishing work
- examination of newly shod horse in static and dynamic state
- provision of advisory services to customers in issues e.g. related to hoof care, shoeing and horse-keeping
- appropriate written and oral command of language and mode of expression as well as use of job-related foreign language

**4. RANGE OF OCCUPATIONS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HOLDER OF THE CERTIFICATE****Range of occupations:**

Employment in blacksmith's businesses, stud farms as well as animal clinics and zoos.

**(\*) Explanatory note**

This document is designed to provide additional information about the specified certificate and does not have any legal status in itself. These explanatory notes refer to the Decision (EU) 2018/646 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 April 2018 on a common framework for the provision of better services for skills and qualifications (Europass).

More information on Europass is available at: <http://europass.cedefop.eu> or [www.europass.at](http://www.europass.at)

<b>5. OFFICIAL BASIS OF THE CERTIFICATE</b>	
<p><b>Name and status of the body awarding the certificate</b> Lehrlingsstelle der Wirtschaftskammer  (Apprenticeship Office of the Economic Chamber; for the address, see certificate)</p>	<p><b>Name and status of the national/regional authority providing accreditation/recognition of the certificate</b> Bundesministerium für Digitalisierung und Wirtschaftsstandort (Federal Ministry of Digital and Economic Affairs)</p>
<p><b>Level of the certificate (national or international)</b> EQF/NQF 4 ISCED 35</p>	<p><b>Grading scale / Pass requirements</b>  Overall performance: Pass with Distinction Good Pass Pass Fail</p>
<p><b>Access to next level of education/training</b>  Access to the <i>Berufsreifeprüfung</i> (i.e. certificate providing university access for skilled workers) or a VET college for people under employment. Access to courses at a <i>Fachhochschule</i> (i.e. university level study programme of at least three years' duration with vocational-technical orientation); additional examinations must be taken if the educational objective of the respective course requires it.</p>	<p><b>International agreements</b>  International agreements on the mutual recognition of apprenticeship trades have been concluded between Germany, Hungary, the South Tyrol and Austria. More information on this topic may be obtained at the Austrian Federal Ministry of Digital and Economic Affairs)</p>
<p><b>Legal basis</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Training Regulation and Examination Regulation for blacksmith BGBl. II (Federal Law Gazette) No. 186/2010 as amended by BGBl. II Nr. 117/2015 (company-based training)</li> <li>2. Curriculum framework (education at the vocational school for apprentices)</li> </ol>	

<b>6. OFFICIALLY RECOGNISED WAYS OF ACQUIRING THE CERTIFICATE</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Training in the framework of the given Training Regulation for blacksmith and of the curriculum of the vocational school for apprentices. Admission to the final apprenticeship examination upon completion of the apprenticeship period specified for the apprenticeship trade concerned. The final apprenticeship examination aims to establish whether the apprentice has acquired the skills and competences required for the respective apprenticeship trade and is able to carry out the activities particular to the learned trade herself/himself in an appropriate manner.</li> <li>2. Admission to the final apprenticeship examination in accordance with Article 23 (5) of the Berufsausbildungsgesetz (Vocational Training Act). An applicant for an examination is entitled to sit the final apprenticeship examination without completing a formal apprenticeship training if she/he has reached 18 years of age and is able to prove acquisition of the required skills and competences by means of a relevant practical or an on-the-job training activity of appropriate length, by attending relevant courses etc.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Additional information:</b></p> <p><b>Entry requirements:</b> successful completion of 9 years of compulsory schooling</p> <p><b>Duration of training:</b> 3 years</p> <p><b>Enterprise-based training:</b> Enterprise-based training comprises <math>\frac{4}{5}</math> of the entire duration of the training and focuses on the provision of job-specific skills and competences according to Article 3 of the Training Regulation, BGBl. II (Federal Law Gazette) No. 186/2010 as amended by BGBl. II Nr. 117/2015, enabling the apprentice to exercise qualified activities as defined by the profile of skills and competences specified above.</p> <p><b>Education at vocational school:</b> School-based education comprises <math>\frac{1}{5}</math> of the entire duration of the training. The vocational school for apprentices has the tasks of imparting to apprentices the basic theoretical knowledge, of supplementing their enterprise-based training and of widening their general education in the framework of subject-oriented part-time instruction.</p> <p><b>More information (including a description of the national qualification system) is available at:</b> <a href="http://www.zeugnisinfo.at">www.zeugnisinfo.at</a>, <a href="http://www.bildungssystem.at">www.bildungssystem.at</a> and <a href="http://www.bmbwf.gv.at">www.bmbwf.gv.at</a></p> <p><b>National Europass Center:</b> <a href="mailto:europass@oead.at">europass@oead.at</a></p>