

# LEVEL 2 4-H Horsemanship Skills



## EVALUATION SHEET

Rider's Name (Last) \_\_\_\_\_ (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (Age) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Check if Production \_\_\_\_\_  
 Horse's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Seat/Discipline \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Handling	Pass or Retest		E*	Examiners' Comments
	P	R		
2-1 Proficient in Level 1 skills	P	R		
2-2 Fitting, grooming, and clipping—mane/tail/body/legs/feet	P	R		
2-3 Bathing a horse	P	R		
2-4 Ground-handling skills: walk, trot, stop, turn on hindquarters, back, and set up	P	R		
2-5 Demonstrate proper fit, adjustment, and safety of equipment	P	R		
2-6 Properly adjust stirrups	P	R		
2-7 Practice safety in handling skills—at all times	P	R		
<b>Riding</b>	Test must be ridden one or two handed as correct for seat/discipline			
2-8 Mount and dismount properly (may use mounting block)	P	R		
Demonstrate <b>correct body position</b> and upward and downward transitions using <b>proper aids and maintaining an even pace:</b>				
2-9 walk to a jog/trot	P	R		
2-10 increase the jog/trot	P	R		
2-11 halt	P	R		
At a canter or lope:				
2-12 start and stop (gradual and balanced)	P	R		
2-13 check and release (demonstrating control of horse)	P	R		
2-14 turn while cantering and ride in both directions	P	R		
2-15 ride a circle both directions and do a figure 8 (simple lead change)	P	R		
2-16 Drop and regain stirrups while at a walk and jog or trot	P	R		
2-17 Back 4-5 steps in a straight line	P	R		
2-18 Show a gradual and balanced halt from all gaits	P	R		
2-19 Leg yield at a walk—both directions	P	R		
2-20 Sidepass a minimum of 10 feet—both directions	P	R		
2-21 Show a simple lead change on straightaway—at least 3	P	R		
2-22 Walk and trot over 3-4 logs	P	R		
2-23 Open and close gate while mounted or dismounted	P	R		
2-24 Equipment, clothing, helmet (fit, condition, suitability, etc.)	P	R		
2-25 Overall attitude and confidence	P	R		

\*Check only if exceeds standards.

**Level 2 emphasizes building a solid foundation of horsemanship skills.**  
 To pass this level, the 4-H member must have *mastered* each skill of the test.  
 Retest will only be on specific skills—not the entire test.

Passed _____
Retest _____

EXAMINERS' SIGNATURES 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

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YELLOW—Member

PINK—County Office