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Qualifications Sheet C-2 Rating

RIDING TEST EXPECTATIONS

Instructor should sign and date when achieved.

Candidate should ride with confidence and control on the flat and over fences demonstrating a secure balanced position and progress toward an independent seat and coordinated use of aids; should initiate free forward movement while developing a steady light feel of pony's mouth.

RIDING ON THE FLAT

Requirement	Instructor's Notes	Date	Initials
Demonstrate warm-up for flat work.			
Perform suppling exercises for the pony at walk & trot to include large circle, small circle, & serpentines.			
Ride at walk, trot, canter, changing directions twice in each gait, using coordinated aids, maintaining even rhythm & smooth transitions.			
Discuss warm-up schedule for three different activities of candidate's choice.			
Ride without stirrups at all gaits.			
Develop a hand gallop from a canter & return to canter smoothly (performed individually).			
Demonstrate aids for moving pony away from leg (sideways) at walk.			

RIDING ON THE FLAT (CONTINUED)

Requirement	Instructor's Notes	Date	Initials
Halt squarely & stand quietly for 5 secs.			
Demonstrate emergency dismount at trot or canter.			
Discuss performance, including evenness of rhythm & smoothness of transitions, with evaluator.			
Rides with confidence & control on the flat demonstrating a secure balanced position, showing progress toward an independent seat & coordinated use of aids.			
Takes pony freely forward while developing light steady feel of pony's mouth.			

RIDING OVER FENCES

Requirement	Instructor's Notes	Date	Initials
Discuss reasons for adjusting stirrups for different types of work.			
Perform simple gymnastics exercises for rider over grid at trot or canter.			
Develop a plan of how to ride a stadium course at height suitable for pony, not to exceed 3 ft.			
Ride course according to plan.			
Discuss performance with evaluator, including maintained throughout the course.			
Rides with confidence & control over fences demonstrating secure balanced position, showing progress toward an independent seat and coordinated use of aids.			

RIDING IN THE OPEN

Requirement	Instructor's Notes	Date	Initials
Ride in a group at the walk, trot, & canter on a suitable pony.			
Discuss/demonstrate safety measures when riding over varied footing. I.e: water, mud, rocks, ice, bog, hard ground, sand, pavement.			
Ride over several cross-country obstacles, not to exceed 3 ft. at appropriate speed (350-375 meters per minute).			
Discuss performance, including reasons for any disobedience of pony, with evaluator.			

RECORD BOOK

A minimum of 9 mos. Of records is required. You are expected to keep careful records of veterinary visits and general health of your pony. Have an upper-level member (C-3 or above) or the DC/Joint DC check your book in plenty of time before the rating so changes can be made, if necessary.

Requirement	Instructor's Notes	Date	Initials
Book Check-3 months before rating.			
Book Check-2 months before rating.			
Book Check-1 month before rating.			
Book Check-1 week before rating.			
Health, maintenance, immunizations up-to-date.			

**C-2 PREP GUIDE
HORSE MANAGEMENT**

The candidate should show a solid awareness of cause and effect in horse management skills. Assistance/supervision is allowed in the demonstration of bandaging, longeing, and loading pony.

NOTE: The test will often ask for only a few of the multiple answers to the questions, but for this guide, you should try to list as many answers as you can-even if only one or two are requested. Please practice verbalizing your answers with someone!

TURN-OUT/TACK

INSPECTION EXPECTATIONS

- Correctly formal or informal attire, as designated by DC. (**No polo shirt!**)
- Pony well-groomed, with attention to mane, tail, nose, eyes, & dock, reflecting regular care.
- Feet picked out showing farrier care.
- Tack safe & clean, with metal polished, and well adjusted, reflecting regular care.

What is the correct way to present a horse to an examiner?

How do you clean your horse? Are there special tricks that you use? Where did you learn these hints?

What is your daily grooming routine?

How do you clean your tack?

What areas do you check for safety on your tack?

In detail, tell why you use the tack that you use. (Bridle, noseband, saddle, pad, girth, martingale, stirrups, breastplate, crupper, boots, etc.)

Flat Work:

Over Fences:

Describe formal and informal attire.
(Refer to requirements in *Horse Management Handbook*.)

INFORMAL

FORMAL



CONDITIONING

Present a written outline of a 6-8 week conditioning and feeding program in preparation for a specific competition of candidate's choice.

Measure and Record: (Be able to do this in front of examiner on your own pony.)

Pulse:

Temperature:

Respiration:

NUTRITION

Describe own pony's ration when:

Developing fitness:

Maintaining fitness:

Taking day off:

Sick:

Roughed Out:

STABLE MANAGEMENT

Describe how to care for a pony efficiently and economically when:

Stabled: (Feed & water schedule, Minerals added, clothing, exercise, grooming)

At Grass: (Safety check of pasture, fencing, water, mineral supply, shelter, feed & grooming)

Name 3 toxic plants **in your area** and describe their appearance.

Describe knowledge of safety measures on a day of □tenuous work (ex: cross-country competition or fox-hunting):

Preparation:

Care of Pony:

Feeding Schedule:

Consideration of Pony's Condition:

Consideration of Climate and Terrain:

Cooling Out:

Treatment of any injuries:

Making pony comfortable:

PONY PARTS/CONFORMATION/LAMENESS

Name five basic conformation qualities that you want in your pony for your own use:

Name and locate on a pony the following unsoundness:

Ringbone:

Curb:

Bowed tendons:

Sidebone:

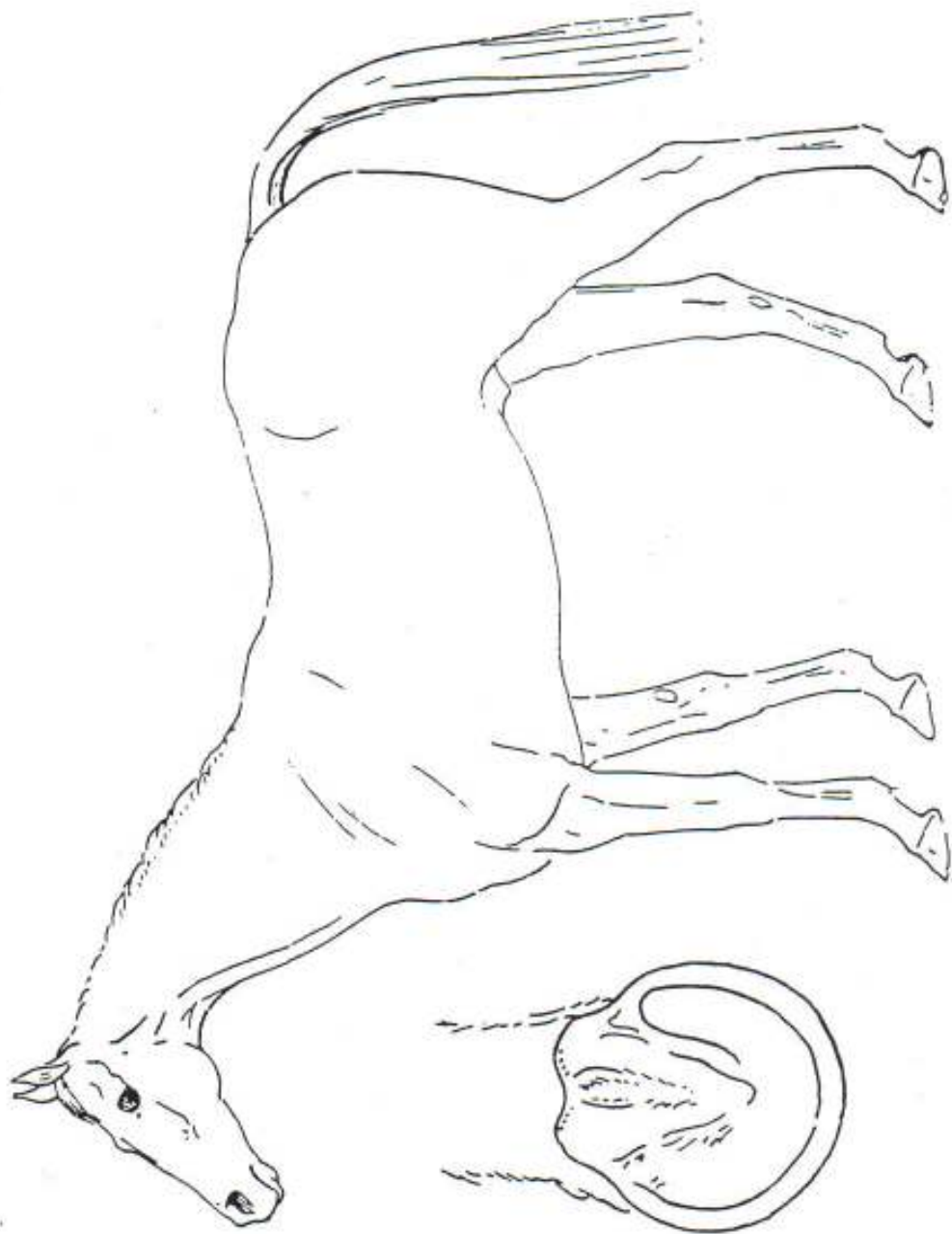
Spavins:

Navicular:

Splint:

Thoroughpin:

Sprains:



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Travel Safety:

Discuss safe loading procedures:

Discuss safe unloading procedures:

How do you prepare your horse for traveling a 20 minute trip?

How do you prepare your horse for traveling an 8 hour trip?

How do you prepare your horse for a 3 day trip? *(use back of page, if needed)*

HEALTH CARE & VETERINARY KNOWLEDGE

List annual immunizations and health requirement appropriate **for your area:**

List prevalent internal parasites **in your area:**

Describe routine parasitic prevention for your pony:

Describe how tetanus and strangles are transmitted:

Tetanus:

Strangles:

Explain the need for regular care of teeth:

LONGEING

Discuss methods, equipment, and safety precautions for longeing:

Methods:

Equipment:

Safety Precautions:

You will need to longe your pony for exercise in an enclosed area with assistance, for the examiner.
(Note: You should be prepared to use any equipment listed as “protective” or under “safety precautions”, even if it is not listed as REQUIRED, in the Standards at the Rating.)

FOOT & SHOEING

Describe the type of shoes your pony wears and why:

Describe your shoeing schedule:

What tools does your farrier use and why:

Recognize and describe good and bad shoeing:

Good:

Bad:

BANDAGING

Be able to demonstrate a shipping bandage and a stable bandage (Practice! Practice!):

What are the materials used in the above bandages:

What are the reasons for using each of the above bandages:

What are the potential dangers of using the above bandages:

TEACHING

Discuss the care of “D-1” and “D-2” level Pony Clubbers to keep them safe, interested, and happy during dismounted instructional programs.

Safe: (Preparing for turn-out)

Interested:

Happy:

You will need to bring a letter from your DC stating that you have assisted in simple dismounted instructional programs for D level Pony Clubbers with Supervision.