

# LEVEL 3 4-H Horsemanship Skills



## EVALUATION SHEET

Member's Name (Last) \_\_\_\_\_ (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (Age) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Performance or Production  
(CIRCLE ONE)

Horse's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Basic handling	Pass or Retest	Examiners' Comments
3-1 Proficient in Levels 1 and 2 skills	P R	
3-2 Fitting and turnout of the horse should be of high quality appropriate for breed and type	P R	
Showmanship skills—		
3-3 360-degree turn on the hindquarters	P R	
3-4 Demonstrate a turn on the forehand—both directions	P R	
3-5 Display confidence, safety, and knowledge around the horse	P R	
3-6 Demonstrate how to lunge a horse at a walk, trot, and canter in both directions	P R	
3-7 Practice safety in handling skills	P R	
Riding		
3-8 Mount and dismount properly (may use mounting block)	P R	
Using proper aids (hands, legs, seat, and voice), ride with a secure form keeping the horse's head and neck quiet.		
Demonstrate upward and downward transitions:		
3-9 From a walk—jog or trot and then halt	P R	
3-10 From a walk—lope or canter and then halt	P R	
Demonstrate use of reins at a walk and jog or trot:		
3-11 on a loose rein	P R	
3-12 using a light rein	P R	
3-13 riding with contact	P R	
3-14 Drop and regain stirrups at a canter	P R	
3-15 Back 8–10 steps in a straight line	P R	
3-16 Demonstrate a balanced halt from all gaits	P R	
3-17 Demonstrate leg yielding from a lope or canter	P R	
3-18 Demonstrate shoulder in at a walk and jog or trot	P R	
3-19 180-degree turn on the forehand—both directions	P R	
3-20 180-degree turn on the hindquarter—both directions	P R	
3-21 Demonstrate a counter canter—both directions	P R	
3-22 Equipment, dress, overall attitude, and confidence	P R	

To pass this level, the 4-H member must have mastered each section of the test.  
Retest will only be on specific skills—not the entire test.  
Level 3 uses foundation skills to learn intermediate horsemanship skills.

Passed \_\_\_\_\_

Retest \_\_\_\_\_

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

PENNSSTATE



College of Agricultural Sciences  
Cooperative Extension

Penn State is committed to affirmative action, equal opportunity, and the diversity of its workforce.

© The Pennsylvania State University 2003

5C5/03ps4577

A0607B