

At Liberty: First? _____ Last? _____ Stallion _____ Gelding _____ Mare _____

In Foal? _____ Due date _____ Number of Previous Foals _____ Age _____ Shoes _____ Mouth _____

Measurements: Wither ht: in _____ cm _____ Rump ht: in _____ cm _____ Bone: in _____ cm _____ Girth: in _____ cm _____

Desirable Characteristics		Undesirable Characteristics
		TYPE Evaluation
		TYPE SCORE _____
Balanced, harmonious overall body structure of an all-a-round pleasure horse	Obvious "presence"	Appearance that parts do not fit together
Athletic way of going	Definite masculine or feminine characteristics	Stallions - lack of "presence"
"Uphill" build – back to front	Coat color within described range	Lack of proper gender characteristics
Coat color within described range	Color of mane and tail – white to light flaxen	Generally too refined
Good temperament and character		Generally too thick and coarse
		Too short or too tall. Size outside accepted range.
		Definite "downhill" build – back to front
		Lack of athleticism, dull appearance and carriage
		Significant gray, black or red color in mane and tail
		Distinct roaning in body color
		Significant dark or white spots in body color
		White legs – more than one
		White above hocks or knees or on belly
		Evidence of demeanor that is dangerous

		HEAD Evaluation
		HEAD SCORE _____
Definite masculine or feminine characteristics	Head proportionate to body size	Head too large, too coarse, or too long
Head expressive, and finely chiseled	Eyes large and well placed – wide apart and forward	Head too small, , too fine or too narrow
Slight dish to face	Correct mouth (bite)	Muzzle and nostrils too small
Adequate width at lower jaw bone	Correct size and placement of ears	Eyes too small or eyes poorly placed
		Too much white shows in eyes
		Definite "Roman" nose (arched profile)
		Overbite or under bite
		Jaw too narrow or too deep
		Ears too large or too small or with poor angulation

		NECK Evaluation
		NECK SCORE _____
Adequate to long. Correct length in relation to length of body	Adequate in thickness in relation to overall body	Neck too short or too long in proportion to body
Neck comes out of body high, sits high on shoulders	Top of neck straight to slightly arched	Too low set coming from body
Neck well muscled	Nicely tapered from base to throatlatch	Too thick, heavy under side, over developed crest
Clean connection at throatlatch		Too thin
		Ewe necked
		Does not taper from base to throatlatch
		Too thick at throat latch

		FOREHAND Evaluation
		FOREHAND SCORE _____
Long, flat shoulder in balance with overall body	Shoulder well sloped	Upright shoulder.
Pronounced, well defined withers	Withers extend well behind top of shoulder	Round, thick shoulder at top (mutton wither)
Upper arm bone at least 1/2 length of shoulder bone	Upper angle of arm to shoulder, at least 90 degrees	Lack of defined withers
Correct width of chest. Good clearance between front legs		Withers do not extend well behind top of shoulder
		Short upper arm bone.
		Closed Angle of upper arm to shoulder.
		Horizontal upper arm bone.
		Chest too narrow or too wide
		Forehand too deep, disproportionate to total horse

		MIDSECTION Evaluation
		MIDSECTION SCORE _____
Back strong and well suspended	Strong loin connection	Weak and/or long connection at loins
Back shorter on top and longer underline	Depth of girth adequate and balanced with rest of horse	Weak (sway) back
Oval shape to rib cage	Evidence of strong abdominal muscles	Too straight or ridge-backed
Lumbosacral joint even with front of pelvic (hip) bone		Body - too long or too short
		Rib cage - too round or too flat
		Girth - too shallow or too deep
		Weak abdominal muscles
		Cut up in rear flank (wasp waisted)

		HINDQUARTERS Evaluation
		HINDQUARTERS SCORE _____
Rump height equal or lower than withers.	Correct length – (hip length is 1/3 of overall body length)	Rump higher than withers
Correct angle of pelvic bone	Well muscled and upright rectangular from behind	Insufficient length overall (point of hip to point of buttock)
Smooth or slightly divided over the top	Correct tail set	Pelvis - too flat or too steep
Correct angle of femur to pelvic bone	Point of stifle directly below point of hip	Croup – too flat or too steep or too short
		Croup – too wide or too narrow or too strongly divided
		Insufficient muscling
		Tail – set too high or too low or not carried straight
		Incorrect angle - femur to pelvic bone

Desirable Characteristics		Undesirable Characteristics	
		FRONT LEGS Evaluation	FRONT LEGS SCORE _____
Clean well defined limbs, flat bone.		Round, heavy bone or insufficient bone.	
Sufficient bone for the size of the horse.		Lack of defined joints.	
Clean, well defined, flat joints.		Base wide or base narrow	
Legs straight from front and side views.		Forearm too short or Cannon too long	
Forearm significantly longer than length of cannon		Over at the knee, calf kneed, deviation at knee or bench kneed	
Cannon bone set directly under knee		Pasterns too long or too short or vertical pasterns	
Long, elastic pasterns		Deviation at pastern	
Pastern angle correct and same as hoof angle		Club footed or Coon footed	
Large, round hooves of good quality		Toed in or toed out	
Good depth and width of heel		Hooves too small or too large (pancake)	
		Lack of proper heel	

		HIND LEGS Evaluation	HIND LEGS SCORE _____
Correct position and angles of hind legs (side view)		Post (straight) legged, sickle hocked	
Stifle angled slightly out from body		Camped out behind	
Well muscled gaskin and hamstring		Base wide or base narrow	
Gaskin at correct angle to femur		Lack of muscling in gaskin or thigh, or short gaskin	
Clean, wide, flat hocks		Bow (bandy) legged	
Hocks slightly in at same angle as stifle is out		Cow hocked, Wide at hocks (from behind)	
Cannon bones set directly under hock		Deviation at hock, viewed from behind	
Short cannon bones and low set hocks		Rounded or thick hock	
Correct length and angle of pasterns		Cannon too long	
Slight toe out, same as hock angle		Pasterns too short, too upright, too long, too sloping	
Good sized hooves, of good quality		Significantly toed in or toed out	
Good depth and width of heel		Coon footed	
		Hooves too small or too large	
		Lack of proper heel	

		Correctness of Movement Evaluation	Correctness of Movement SCORE _____
Walks straight, tracks true, 4 beats		Walk does not over track	
Over tracks significantly at the walk		Trot does not track up	
Trot – 2 beats, tracks straight, tracks up		Paddles or Wings when walks or trots	
Long, loose ground covering stride at walk and trot		Rope walks, does not track true	
Foreleg movement begins at top of shoulder		Off beat cadence at walk and trot	
Hind leg movement begins at lumbosacral joint (where loins meet croup)		Excessive knee action, lack of reach in front	
Hind legs flex and come well under body at walk and trot		Stiff hind leg movement or over flexes at the hocks	
		Hocks wobble at walk and trot	

		OVERALL MOVEMENT Evaluation	OVERALL MOVEMENT SCORE _____
Trot and canter overall appearance is brilliant and athletic		At Trot and canter - lack of brilliance and athleticism	
At Trot and canter clear suspension and extension		Lack of suspension (foot dragging)	
Long, loose, ground covering stride at trot and canter		Forelegs do not clear for hind	
Forelegs lift, suspend and reach		Foreleg action does not use shoulder	
Definite collection and tucking under in hindquarters		Hind leg action is stiff, uncollected	
Strong impulsion from hindquarters		General lack of impulsion from hindquarters	
At canter - light, uphill and rolling - 3 beats		Hind legs do not come under body	
		Trot or canter - short and/or choppy	
		Canter - flat footed, stiff legged	

JUDGES SPECIAL NOTES:

DNP requested: _____

INDIVIDUAL SCORES:

10 = Excellent, 9 = Very Good (much above average), 8 = Good (above average) 7 = Sufficient (average), 6 = Not sufficient (below average), 5 = Poor

TOTAL POINTS & RIBBON COLORS: 81 points or above = Gold, 80 to 75 points = Silver, 74 to 71 points = Purple, 70 to 69 points = White

NOTE: Stallions scoring a total of 74 points or less - not recommended for breeding. Mares scoring a total of 68 points or less - not recommended for breeding.

JUDGES SIGNATURES: _____

DATE: _____

TOTAL POINTS: _____