

# BEGINNING HORSEMAN WORKSHEET

## LEVEL I

### SKILLS TEST

4-H MEMBER'S NAME

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HORSE'S NAME

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The 4-H'er must show proficiency at all skills listed below to pass the BEGINNING HORSEMAN.

**NOTE:** The entire handling portion must be done with a single horse or pony and can be ridden one or two hands on the reins.

#### **Virtual Rules and Guidelines**

- Video Specifications: Each video must show a continuous shot, and clips may not be edited together. At the beginning of each video a sheet of paper needs to be held up in the camera view stating the riders name, county, date, which advancement level the youth is testing for and video number.
  - Videos made with a mobile device need to be in "landscape mode"
  - While not required, using a tripod will produce a better video
- Sound: **All videos must have the sound turned on so that the examiner can hear the normal sounds.** For example: the hoofbeat of the horse, sound of the horse's breathing, birds, wind, normal area sounds.
  - **Youth may have the camera person or another adult read the pattern to them during the video.**
  - Videos without sound will not be accepted
  - Videos may **NOT** have background music
  - No coaching or unauthorized assistance is allowed. Any coaching or unauthorized assistance detected on a video will not be accepted
  - Earphones and any kind of electronic communication devices are **NOT ALLOWED**. Use of any electronic communication will not be accepted
- Patterns: Patterns can be altered to fit the size of the area

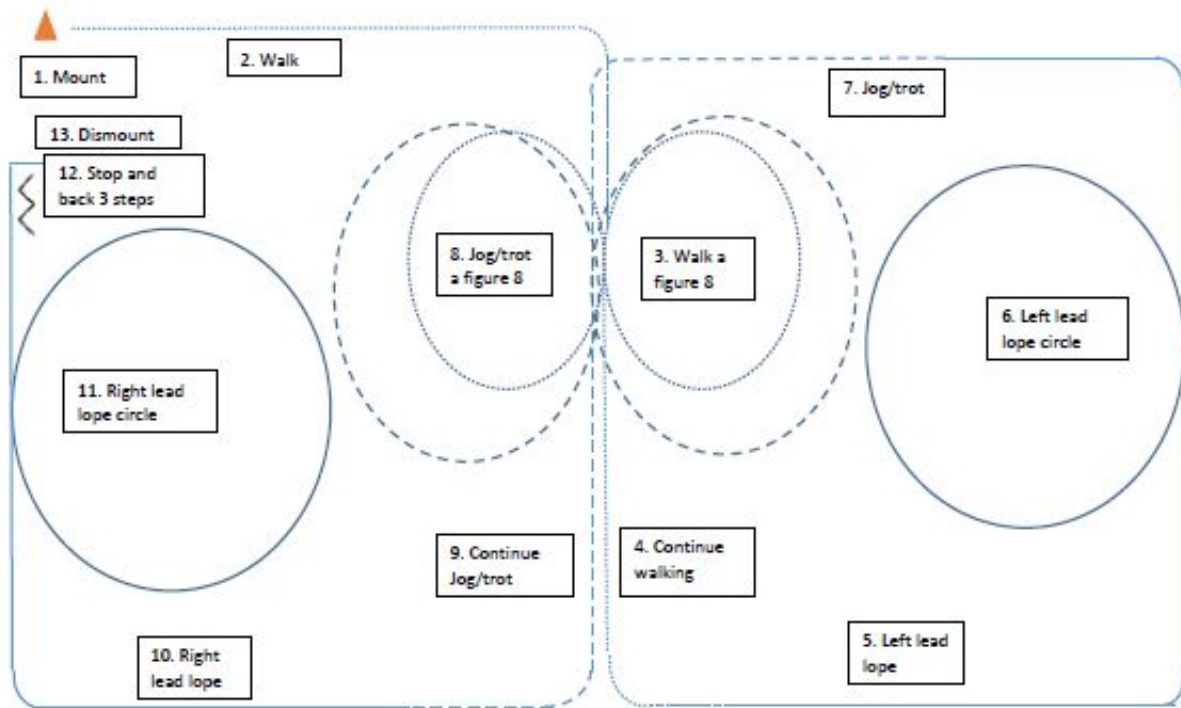
**Video 1:** The video\* should show a youth explain and demonstrate the following skills in the order listed below:

1. Explain and demonstrate the correct procedures to approach and catch their horse
2. Haltering and tying up their horse
3. Lead their horse with a halter (lead their horse in a straight line 20 feet and then in a small circle).
4. Explain a typical daily grooming routine of their horse and demonstrate proper use of grooming equipment and moving from one side of the horse to the next.
5. Name two benefits achieved from grooming your horse
6. Saddle horse
7. Bridle horse (Need to show a close up of the bridle on the the horses head and the bit in the horse's mouth)

\*The video should be filmed from within 10 feet of the youth and then a close up should be shown of the placement of the saddle on the horses back and the bridle on the horses face to determine fit

**Video 2:** The video\*\* should show a youth demonstrate the following pattern demonstrating the required riding skills for level 1.

1. Safely mount (use of a mounting block is optional)
2. Walk and turn right down the middle of the arena
3. Walk a figure 8
4. Continue walking straight and then turn left
5. Left lead lope straight and then around the corner
6. Lope a circle to the left and continue around the corner
7. Jog/trot and turn left up the middle of the arena
8. Jog/trot a figure 8
9. Continue jog/trot and turn right
10. Right lead lope straight and then around the corner
11. Lope a circle to the right and continue straight
12. Stop and back
13. Safely dismount



Advancement Level 1 Riding Skills Virtual Pattern

\*\*The rider should be filmed from the profile approximately 40 ft away for the full length of the pattern

Submitting your Videos

- **ALL videos must be sent in at the same time.**
- Use whichever file share service/ upload service (also known as Cloud Drive) that you prefer and email a SHAREABLE link
- Please be sure to save your videos and/or make the title of your videos with the riders (first & last) name, Advancement Level the video is over, and your county
- You may use YouTube, Dropbox, or Google Drive to name only a few as examples of file share services available for you to use
  - [How to upload a video via YouTube](#) (if using YouTube we recommend making your videos private so that others cannot search for your video)
  - [How to upload a video via Dropbox](#)
  - [How to upload a video via Google Drive](#)
  - [How to upload a video via Vimeo](#)