

D-1 Check List

***HORSE MANAGEMENT EXPECTATIONS:** The candidate is a beginning-level horse manager, willing to learn the simple routine necessary for safe handling of quiet, well-trained horses. His or her knowledge will vary widely depending on age, educational level, and experience.*

The D-1 check-list is a valuable tool to evaluate a member’s readiness to test. It is recommended that this check-list be used to evaluate a candidate no earlier than 90 days prior to the certification. The evaluator should sign the “Signature” block when a candidate satisfactorily performs the necessary skills while demonstrating both horse management and riding expectations for the standard without instruction/coaching. If the member is not able to demonstrate the standard, the evaluator should provide detailed comments on what improvements the candidate needs to make in order to demonstrate the standard. An evaluator must be able to give an impartial evaluation of the candidate's proficiency at the standard. The “D-1 through C-2 Examiner’s Handbook” and the last page of the “Standards of Proficiency” outlines the qualities of an examiner that is appropriate to use.

Horse Management Skills	Signature & Date
<p>Turnout/Tack</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rider in safe and neat attire: collared shirt with long or short sleeves, long pants with shirt tucked in, short or tall riding boots or shoes that cover the ankle and have a boot heel. Pony Club pin, USPC or USEA medical armband or bracelet, and a properly fitted equestrian helmet, securely fastened (see USPC Policy 0125A). Long hair neatly up or back. Half-chaps, gloves, show coat and belt optional. No inappropriate jewelry. • Mount neatly brushed; hooves picked out (with assistance if needed); showing farrier care. • Tack safe and neat (properly adjusted with assistance if necessary). <p>Evaluator’s Comments:</p>	
<p>Conditioning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know one reason for cooling out mount after exercise. <p>Evaluator’s Comments:</p>	
<p>Nutrition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know how to give water, grain, hay, and tidbit to a mount safely. <p>Evaluator’s Comments:</p>	

Stable Management

- Groom mount with brush and curry comb, pick out feet, with assistance.
- Tack up and untack mount, with assistance.
- Name 10 parts of saddle and bridle (any).
- Know two reasons for cleaning tack.

Evaluator's Comments:

Parts of Mount, Conformation & Lameness

- Name any 10 parts of the mount (such as mane, tail, leg, eye, etc.).
- Know color and breed of own mount.

Evaluator's Comments:

Travel Safety

- Know basic rules of safe riding in a group, in an enclosed area.

Evaluator's Comments:

Record Book

- Bring a stall card for own mount to show examiner.

Evaluator's Comments:

Health Care & Veterinary Knowledge

- Discuss what a veterinarian is.
- Give one reason a vet might treat your mount.

Evaluator's Comments

Teaching

- Not applicable. (See D-3 Teaching.)

Evaluator's Comments

Land Conservation

- Verbally list three different places in your area where horse activities take place. Include where you have your Pony Club mounted meetings

Evaluator's Comments:

Leading & Longeing

- Approach mount safely, put on halter, lead and turn correctly and safely.

Evaluator's Comments:

Foot & Shoeing

- Give one reason to pick out hooves.
- Tell whether your mount wears shoes or not.

Evaluator's Comments:

Bandaging

- Not applicable

Evaluator's Comments:

Volunteerism (Pony Club Horsemasters Only)

- Discuss what being part of a volunteer organization means to you.
- Explain two ways you might be able to volunteer for the club/center you belong to.

Evaluator's Comments:

Safety

- Name two pieces of clothing or equipment that you should wear for your safety when you ride.

Evaluator's Comments: