

Level 3 Study Guide

These are suggested study points. Not all information listed will be used. Additional information within a listed topic will also be possible testing material. This is to be used as a starting point in your preparation for the Level 3 horsemanship skills test.

- I. Tack / Attire– multi-disciplines
 - a. Bits
 - b. Bridles
 - c. Saddles
 - d. Balancing Rations
 - e. Nutrients – Energy, Protein, minerals, vitamins, trace nutrients
 - f. Supplements
- II. Breeds and Colors
 - a. Pony Breeds
 - b. Draft Breeds
 - c. Horse Breeds
 - d. Basic Coat colors / Dilutions
 - e. Markings
 - f. Patterns specific to breeds
 - g. Gaits – all breeds
 - h. Evolution
 - i. Genetics
- III. Equine Management
 - a. Pasture Management
 - b. Barn management to include bedding, insect control, manure, etc.
 - c. Behavior
 - d. Responses
 - e. Senses
 - f. Body Condition Scores
 - g. Lunging
 - h. Wrapping – Polo and Standing wraps
 - i. Measurement
 - j. Vices
 - k. Poisonous Plants
- IV. Equine Nutrition
 - a. Hay
 - b. Grain
 - c. Calculations
 - i. Such as amount per body weight
- V. Farrier
 - a. Shoes
 - b. Tools
 - c. Hoof care
 - d. Corrective /Therapeutic shoeing
- VI. Basic Conformation
 - a. Unsoundness
 - b. Blemishes
- VII. Health and Diseases
 - a. Temperature, Pulse, Respiration, capillary refill
 - b. Veterinarian Care
 - c. Parasites
 - d. Diseases / Vaccinations
 - e. Metabolic Disorders
- VIII. Equine Anatomy
 - a. Teeth
 - b. Muscular System
 - c. Reproductive System
Male/ Female
 - d. Respiratory System
 - e. Skeletal System
 - f. Digestive System
 - g. Circulatory System
- IX. Trailering
 - a. Truck and Trailer preparations
 - b. Horse preparation
 - c. loading