

EQUINE TRIAGE PHYSICAL EXAM

Case # _____ Transfer to _____ Date _____

Examining Veterinarian: _____ Veterinarian in Charge: _____

Animal ID# given: _____

Color: Bay Dark Bay Black Chestnut Grey Paint Palomino Other _____

Markings: Face: _____ Legs: LF _____ RF _____ LR _____ RR _____

Breed type _____

Sex: Male (testicles present? _____) Female

Age~ _____ (if over 5, 1-5 year spread) Juvenile Adult Geriatric

Lip tattoo: present? _____ Best guess _____ Brand _____

Microchip: None found YES # _____

BREIF PHYSICAL EXAM FINDINGS:

MENTATION: alert/responsive dull/depressed Comments _____

MM: pink or discolored moist tacky dry

CRT: ≤2 seconds >2 seconds

HYDRATION: adequate dehydrated (~ _____%)

GAIT: sound at walk _____ Not sound at walk: _____ (grade 4/5 or grade 5/5?) Ataxia _____

SKIN: NSF Dermatophilosis (rain rot) Wound(s) _____

HOOVES: NSF Overgrown Cracked Other _____

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

More PE findings as needed: TPR, etc

ANY RECOMMENDATIONS or serious immediate concerns?

PICTURES: 4 views 6 views (BCS<3) tattoo microchip Other

- Close up of any abnormalities/wounds: _____

CASE EXAM/MEDICAL RECORDS VERIFIED BY VETERINARIAN IN CHARGE: Initials _____

Equine Body Condition Score: _____ **CIRCLE** each area score

Condition	Neck	Withers	Loin	Tailhead	Ribs	Shoulder
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1 Poor	Bone Structure easily noticeable	Bone structure easily noticeable	Spinous processes project prominently	Tailhead (pinbones) and hook bones prominently projecting	Ribs projecting prominently	Bone structure easily noticeable
2 Very Thin	Faintly discernible	Faintly discernible	Slight fat covering over base of spinous processes. Transverse processes of lumbar vertebrae feel rounded. Spinous processes are prominent.	Tailhead prominent	Ribs prominent	Faintly discernible
3 Thin	Neck accentuated	Withers accentuated	Fat buildup halfway on spinous processes but easily discernible. Transverse processes cannot be felt.	Tailhead prominent but individual vertebrae cannot be visually identified. Hook bones appear rounded, but are still easily discernible. Pin bones not distinguishable.	Slight fat cover over ribs. Ribs easily discernible.	Shoulder accentuated.
4 Moderately Thin	Neck not obviously thin	Withers not obviously thin	Negative crease along back	Prominence depends on conformation, fat can be felt. Hook bones not discernible.	Faint outline discernible	Shoulder not obviously thin.
5 Moderate	Neck blends smoothly into body	Withers rounded over spinous processes	Back level	Fat around tailhead beginning to feel spongy	Ribs cannot be visually distinguished but can be easily felt.	Shoulder blends smoothly into body.
6 Moderately Fleshy	Fat beginning to be deposited	Fat beginning to be deposited	May have slight positive crease down back.	Fat around tailhead feels soft	Fat over ribs feels spongy	Fat beginning to be deposited
7 Fleshy	Fat deposited along neck	Fat deposited along withers	May have positive crease down back	Fat around tailhead is soft	Individual ribs can be felt, noticeable filling between ribs with fat.	Fat deposited behind shoulder
8 Fat	Noticeable thickening of neck	Area along withers filled with fat	Positive crease down back	Tailhead fat very soft	Difficult to feel ribs	Area behind shoulder filled in flush with body
9 Extremely Fat	Bulging fat	Bulging fat	Obvious positive crease down back	Bulging fat around tailhead	Patchy fat appearing over ribs.	Bulging fat.

