

Rusty Stirrups Riding Club "D-1" Test Sheet

Candidate's Name: (please print) _____

Date Tested: _____

Rater's Name: (please print) _____

This test has 3 portions:

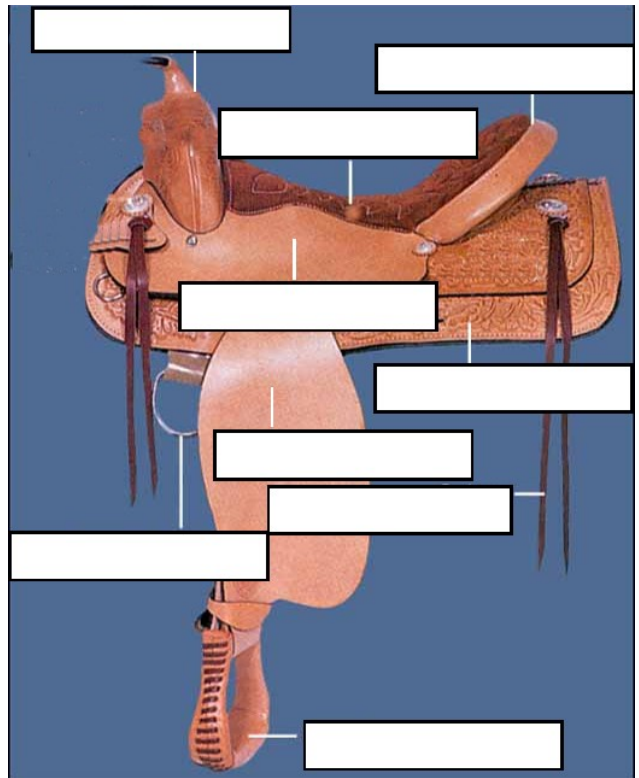
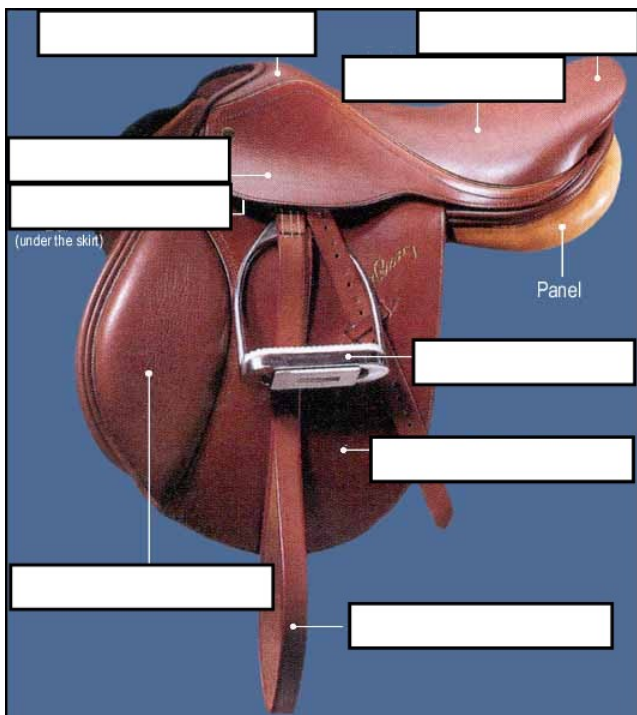
1. **Written:** This consists of a written demonstration of knowledge and should be completed prior to the rating session. It can be brought to the session or emailed to the rater prior to the rating session. A score of at least 75% on this section is required to pass the test.
2. **Safety:** This consists of the rater's observation of the safety of the candidate, her behavior, equipment and mount. A score of 100% on this section is required to pass the test.
3. **Mounted:** This consists of a demonstration of the candidate's ability to maintain a balanced position and control of a safe, quiet horse in an enclosed area at the halt, walk and trot/jog. A score of at least 75% on this section is required to pass the test.

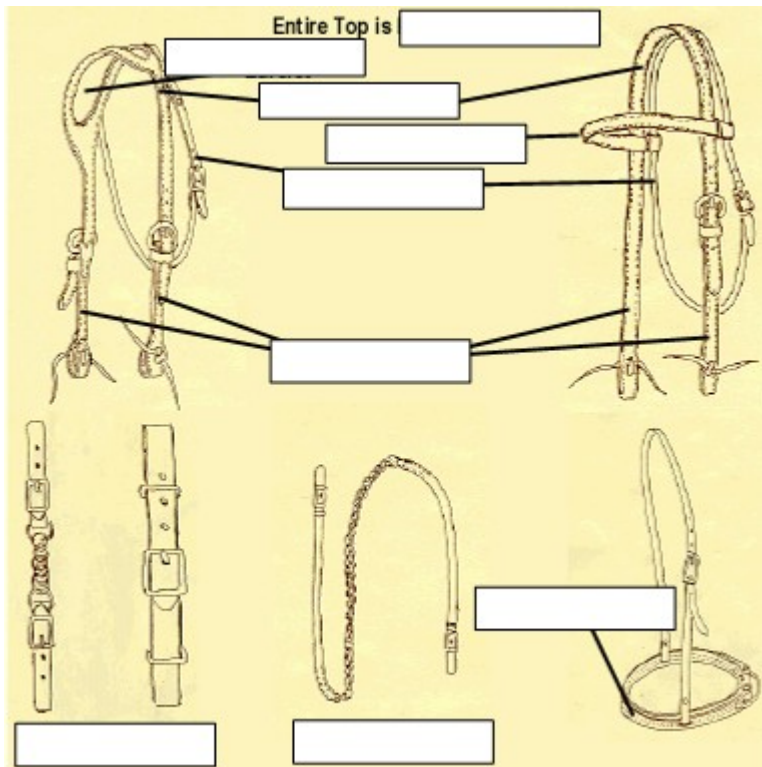
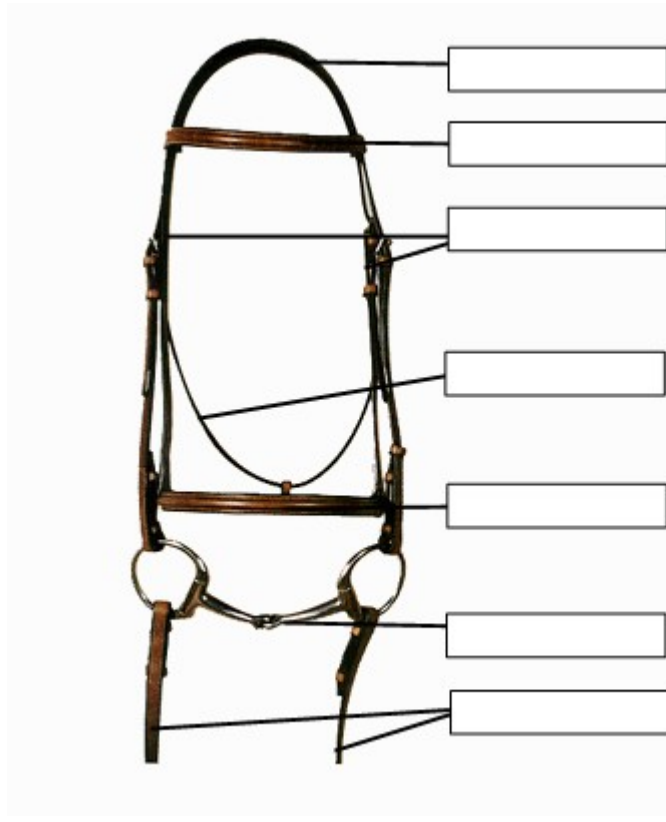
The rater should mark each portion by circling P for Pass or F for Fail.

Written Portion

1. On the diagrams below, choosing **either** English or Western, name as many parts of the saddle and bridle as possible. At least 10 parts (including both saddle and bridle) must be successfully identified.

P F





2. Name 2 reasons for cleaning tack:

P F

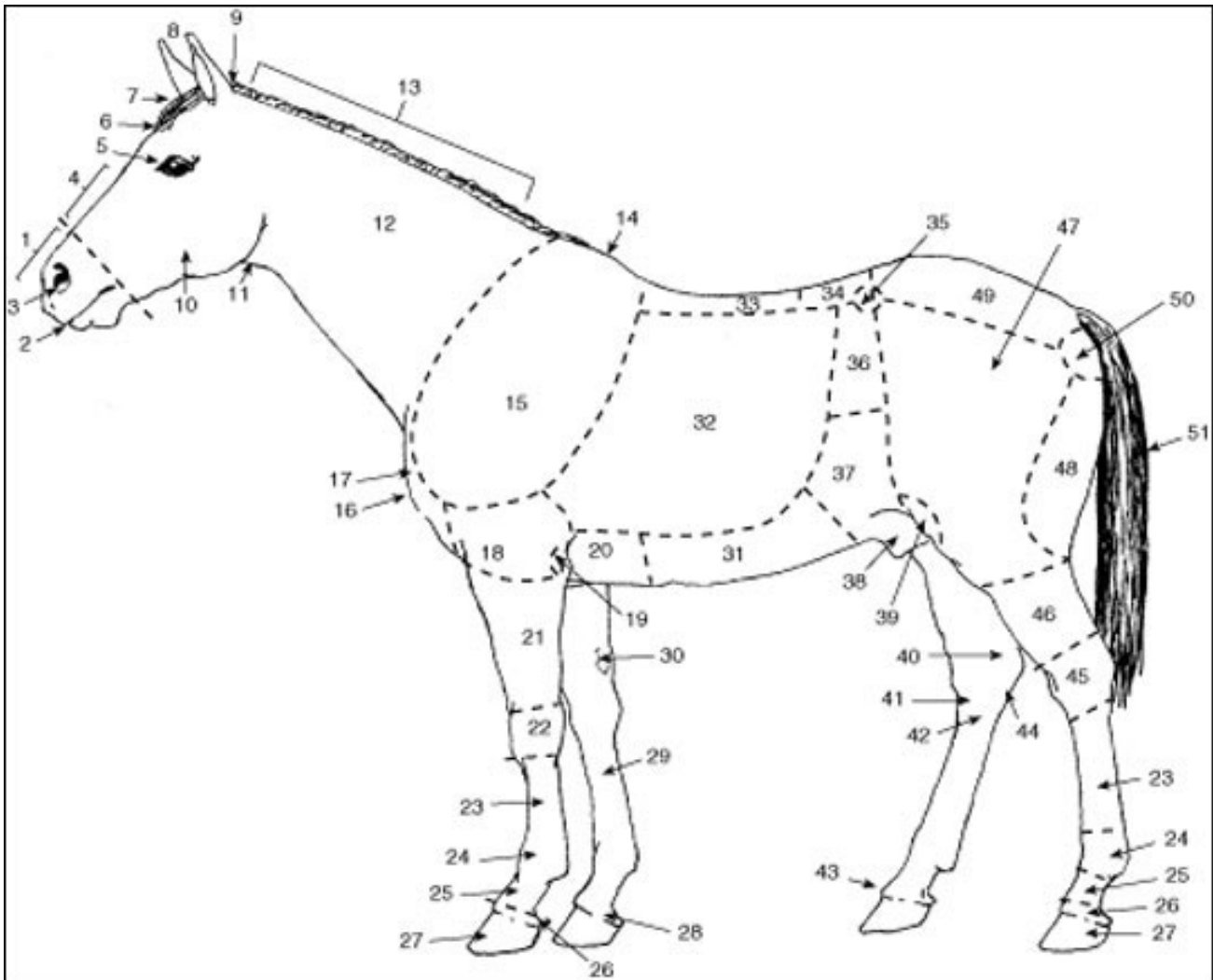
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- 2.

3. Name 2 reasons to call a veterinarian for a horse:

P F

- 1.
- 2.

4. On the diagram below, identify as many parts of the horse as possible. At least 10 parts must be successfully identified. You may write on the diagram or use a separate sheet of paper. P F



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| 5. Name one reason for cooling out a horse after exercise. | P | F |
| 6. When riding with a group in an enclosed area, how should you pass: | P | F |
| a. When overtaking another horse | | |
| b. When passing a horse head on | | |

Safety Portion

Rider Equipment

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| 1. The candidate is in safe, neat attire with no dangling hair or jewelry. | P | F |
| 2. The candidate is wearing an ASTM/SEI certified helmet with the chinstrap fastened before mounting | P | F |
| 3. The candidate is wearing heeled boots designed for equestrian activities. | P | F |
| 4. The candidate is wearing a medical armband in a visible location. | P | F |

Horse

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| 1. The horse has a temperament safe for the rider's skill levels. | P | F |
| 2. The horse appears to be sound. | P | F |

Tack

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| 1. The tack is appropriate for the horse and discipline. | P | F |
| 2. The bridle material is in good condition, it fits the horse well, it is reasonably clean and the stitching is intact. | P | F |
| 3. The saddle material is in good condition, it fits the horse well, and is reasonably clean and the stitching is intact. | P | F |
| 4. The mounted portion of the test is to be conducted in a safe, enclosed area. | P | F |

Mounted Portion

Riding on the flat

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| 1. Mount and dismount, with assistance if necessary. | P | F |
| 2. Hold reins correctly at the halt. | P | F |
| 3. Shorten and lengthen reins correctly at the halt. | P | F |
| 4. Demonstrate basic balanced position at the walk. | P | F |
| 5. Ride at the walk and trot-jog, with control, keeping horse on the rail. | P | F |

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| 6. Demonstrate simple change of direction at the walk and trot/job. | P | F |
| 7. Perform gradual transitions from walk to trot/jog and walk to halt. | P | F |

Jumping/Non-jumping/Trail-Obstacles: Walking Over Poles

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| 1. Walk over poles on the ground (in jumping position if in forward seat or all purpose English saddle). | P | F |
| 2. Discuss with examiner the reason for different positions when riding on the flat and over fences/obstacles. | P | F |

Did the Candidate pass the D1 rating test? (circle one) **YES** **NO**

Signature of Rater _____

Qualification of Rater (if Rater is not an RSRC member)

Signature of Candidate _____