
D-1 Study Guide

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 use of the 2012 USPC D Manual of Horsemanship, 2nd Edition is required in order to complete this study guide.

TURNOUT/TACK

- *Refer to Standards of Proficiency for detail on attire for certifications.*
- *Groom mount and pick out hooves with assistance if needed.*

Step-by-step description for grooming:

- | | |
|----|-----|
| 1. | 6. |
| 2. | 7. |
| 3. | 8. |
| 4. | 9. |
| 5. | 10. |

- *Tack up and untack mount, with assistance.*

Describe the steps you do to tack up your horse:

- 1.
- 2.

3.

4.

5.

Describe the steps to untack your horse:

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

CONDITIONING

- *Give 1 reason for cooling out mount after exercise. D Manual 177-178*

Describe how you might cool out your mount after you ride:

1.

2.

3.

NUTRITION

- *Demonstrate how to feed a treat to a pony. D Manual 202*

Explain how to feed a treat safely:

1.

- *Give 1 example of a succulent. D Manual 201*

Name a few succulents that horses like to eat:

1.

2.

- *Discuss why and how often water should be available. D Manual 201 & 203*

Explain why horses/ponies need water available all times?

1.

2.

STABLE MANAGEMENT

- *Know 2 reasons for cleaning tack. D Manual 268-269*

Why should you clean your tack?

1.

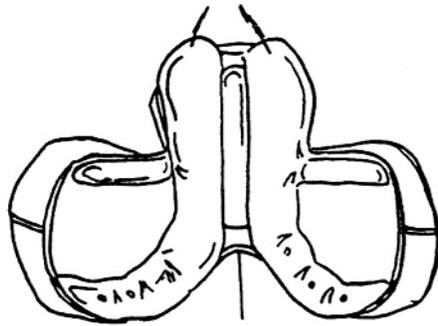
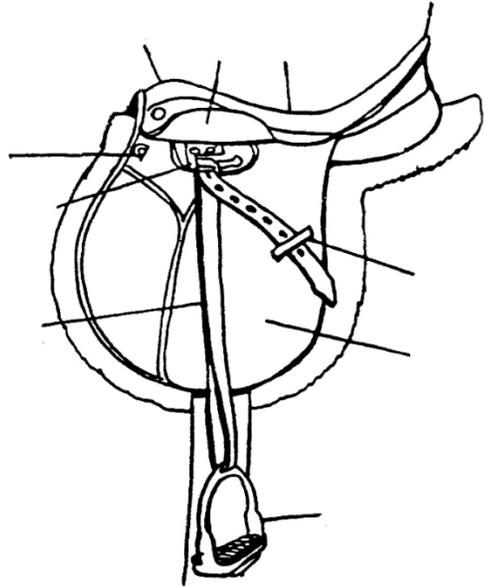
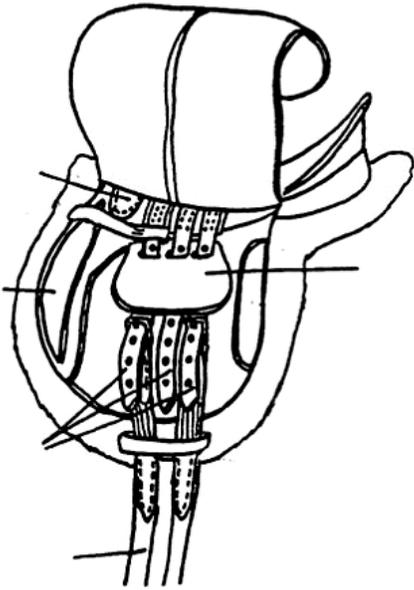
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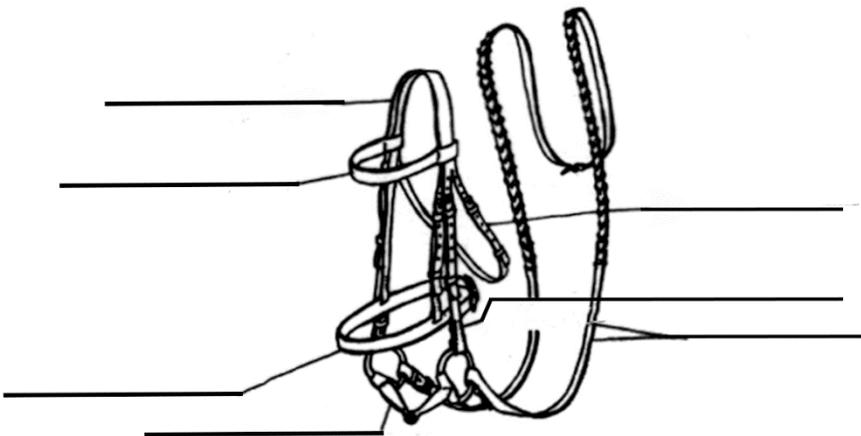
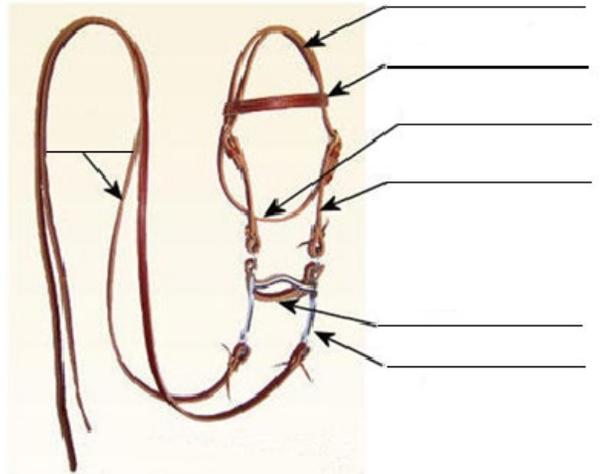
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4.

- *Name 6 saddle parts and 4 bridle parts.*

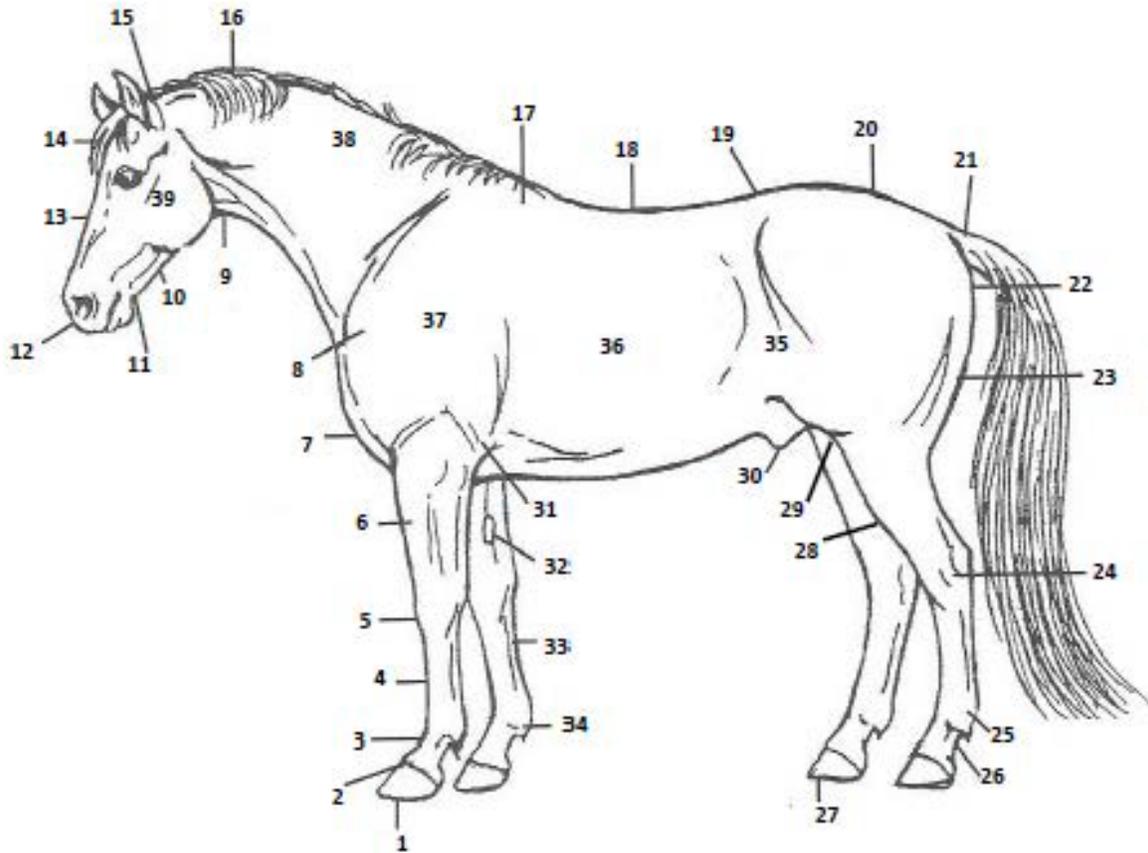
Write the parts of the saddles and bridles below:





BREEDS, PONY PARTS, COLORS

- Name any 10 parts of the mount (such as mane, tail, leg, eye, etc.). D Manual 246



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|-----|-----|-----|
| 1. | 14. | 27. |
| 2. | 15. | 28. |
| 3. | 16. | 29. |
| 4. | 17. | 30. |
| 5. | 18. | 31. |
| 6. | 19. | 32. |
| 7. | 20. | 33. |
| 8. | 21. | 34. |
| 9. | 22. | 35. |
| 10. | 23. | 36. |
| 11. | 24. | 37. |
| 12. | 25. | 38. |
| 13. | 26. | 39. |

How many parts can you name?

- *Know color and breed of own mount.*

What is the breed of your horse? _____

What color is your horse? _____

TRAVEL SAFETY

- *Name 2 basic rules of safe and courteous riding in an enclosed area or ring. D Manual 127-128*
- **What should you pay attention to when riding in an arena with others?**
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.

RECORD BOOK

- *Bring a completed USPC D-1 stall card for own mount and explain why it is important. D Manual 196-197*

What information needs to be on a stall card and why?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Fill out a stall card for your horse on the next page:

D-1 Stall Card



Club or Riding Center: _____

Member Name: _____

Emergency Contact Information

Parent/Guardian/*Chaperone:

Name of contact: _____

Phone Number: _____

Adult Member Phone Number: _____

Veterinarian: _____

Phone Number: _____

Farrier: _____

Phone Number: _____

**If using this stall card for a rally please add:*

* Rider Name(s): _____

*Certification(s): _____

*Competitor Number(s): _____

(If there is more than one rider using this mount list all names, competitor numbers, and certification levels.)

Mount's Information

Pony or Horse's Name: _____

Age: _____ Sex: _____ Height: _____

Vital Signs (optional for D-1 test):

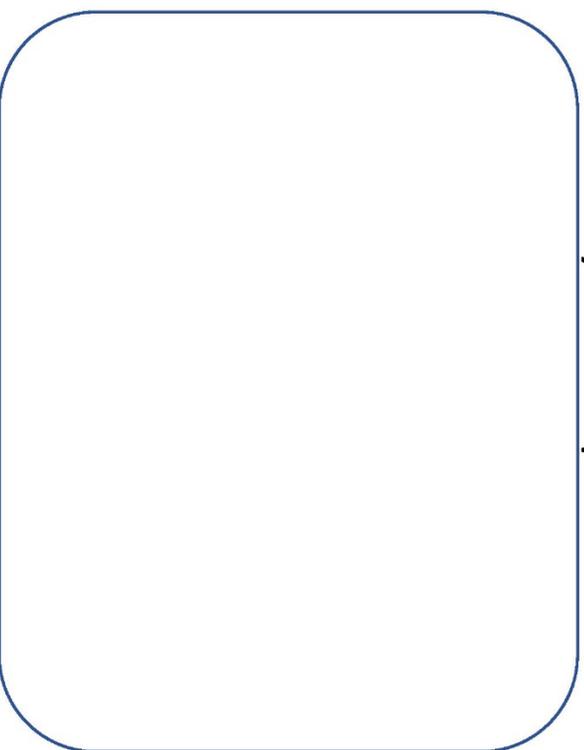
Temp: _____ Pulse: _____ Resp: _____

Stable Vices: _____

Allergies: _____

List any medications: _____

Picture or Physical Description of Mount



HEALTH CARE & VETERINARY KNOWLEDGE

- *Discuss what a veterinarian is. D Manual 222-225*

How does a veterinarian help a horse or pony stay healthy?

- *Give 1 reason to call the veterinarian. D Manual 224-225*

Can you name your veterinarian you use for your mount?

LAND CONSERVATION

- *Verbally list 2 different places in your area where horse activities take place. Include where you have your Pony Club mounted meetings.*

List places you know where there are horse activities in your area (Pony Club meetings, Rodeos, Racing, Trail riding)

1.

2.

3.

4.

LEADING

- *Approach mount safely, put on halter. D Manual 148*
- *Demonstrate walk-halt-walk transitions and turning in the correct direction, which is away from you. D Manual 152*

What side of the horse should you be on when leading?

Where should your hands be?

How should you hold the lead rope?

How do you turn your horse?

FOOT & SHOEING

- *Give 1 reason to pick out hooves. D Manual 214-215*

1.

2.

3.

- *Tell whether your mount wears shoes or not.*

RIDER SAFETY

- *Name 3 pieces of clothing or equipment that you should wear for your safety when you ride.
D Manual 298-303*

Name some safe clothing:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Name some safe equipment:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

EQUINE SPORTS

- *Name 2 disciplines listed on the USPC website. www.ponyclub.org*

What other USPC disciplines would you like to try or learn more about?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.