

Horse's Name _____

Coat Color _____

Obvious Markings _____

**Working Ranch Horse
Performer – Level III
Riding Test & Oral Interview**

Check one:
_____ passed
_____ retest

Rider's Name _____ Age _____ Rater's Name _____

Address _____ Rater's Phone # _____

Club _____ County _____ Date _____

Directions: Maneuvers will be called at random with no set patterns. The response and willing attitude of the horse to the rider's commands will have bearing on evaluating the rider's achievements. The 4-H member must score 8 points out of 10 for each section of the test, including questions in the oral interview. Completion of this test requires live cattle.

Rater: Forms must be filled out the day of the riding exam and mailed or FAXed to the member's Extension Office within two weeks of the test.

	Maximum Points	Rating Score	Judge's Comments
Basic Handling			
A. Display confidence, safety and knowledge around the horse.	10		
B. Fitting and turnout of the horse should be high quality.	10		
C. Demonstrate and name 3 different types of knots.	10		
Riding			
A. Work a gate while mounted, open – ride through and close.	10		
B. Demonstrate and explain the aids as they influence the horse's movements.	10		
C. Demonstrate a safe dally, drag a log, through a serpentine of at least 4 cones spaced no more than 25' apart	10		
D. Side pass to the left and right, 10' minimum.	10		
E. Prompt, balanced stop from all gaits on the straightaway or a circle.	10		
F. 360 degree turn on the hindquarters in both directions; must be performed in the open.	10		
G. 360 degree turn on the forehand in both directions; must be performed in the open.	10		
H. Demonstrate your horses' ability to stand hobbled. (front single, front double or 3-way hobbles are all acceptable)	10		
I. Demonstrate figure 8 sufficient to show 2 flying lead changes in each direction beginning from the lope.	10		
J. Back 6 to 7 steps in a straight line.	10		
K. Demonstrate a head or horn loop and a heel loop or a hip shot on a dummy.	10		
L. Demonstrate using cattle flight zones to move, turn and sort cattle	10		
M. Load your horse in a trailer	10		