

Horse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Coat Color \_\_\_\_\_

Obvious Markings \_\_\_\_\_

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**Working Ranch Horse  
Level II  
Riding Test**

Check one:  
\_\_\_\_ passed  
\_\_\_\_ retest

Rider's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Rater's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Rater's Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: To pass this level, the 4-H member must score 8 points out of 10 for each section of the test.  
Level II asks the rider to show confidence, control and more advanced horsemanship skills.

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
<b>*Basic Handling</b>	10		
A. Properly halter, lead and tie horse.			
B. Fitting, grooming, correct use of tools on mane, tail, body, legs and feet.	10		
C. *Bridling and saddling; proper adjustment of equipment.	10		
D. Safety around the horse.	10		
<b>Riding</b>	10		
A. * Dismount take your horse safely through a gate; open and close, then mount your horse.(mounting block may be used, if necessary).			
B. Demonstrate ground tying or hobbling of the horse for at least 1 minute, with rider standing away from the horse.	10		
B. Demonstrate aid for the following upward transitions: 1) walk to jog; 2) jog to lope; 3) walk to lope.	10		
C. Demonstrate aids for the following downward transitions; 1) lope to jog; 2) lope to walk; 3) jog to walk.	10		
D. Show a balanced stop from all gaits on a straightaway.	10		
E. Back 3 to 4 steps in a straight line.	10		
F. Show a figure 8 at the canter consisting of two large circles with lead changes through the jog/trot in both directions. Begin maneuver from stop or walk.	10		
G. Demonstrate basic rope skills from your horse while standing still. Build a loop, swing the loop, throw a loop (at a hay bale or roping dummy) and recoil the rope using good technique.	10		
H. Turn on the forehand; 180 degrees in both directions.	10		
I. Turn on the hindquarter; 180 degrees in both directions.	10		
J. Walk in a herd of cattle (minimum 3 head). Demonstrate that your horse is under control and willing to move around and between the cattle without undue excitement.	10		
K. Demonstrate a safe dally and drag an object such as a log, tire, pole or dummy 20 feet in a straight line, halt and undally.	10		

\*If the size or physical strength prevents the 4-H member from actually performing the skill, verbal explanation will suffice.