



NAME: _____ PONY CLUB: _____

**C1 QUALIFICATION SHEET
(01/01/04 – Standards)**

(This sheet is not meant to be a requirement for a candidate to take his or her next rating. It is simply a guideline for both members and parents to more accurately evaluate when a candidate is ready to take his or her next rating.)

Riding Test Expectations:

The candidate should ride with confidence and control on the flat and over fences, demonstrating a basic balanced position and use of natural aids. The rider should begin to initiate free forward movement, and begin to establish a light feel of the pony’s mouth.

RIDING ON THE FLAT:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Ride on the flat using “Riding Test Expectations”.			
Demonstrate emergency dismount at the trot.			
Demonstrate mount’s warm-up routine for everyday work, to include warm-up exercises.			
Perform suppling exercises for rider without stirrups, at the walk & sitting trot.			
Demonstrate aids for moving mount away from the leg, at halt (sideways).			
Demonstrate long rein, loose rein, light contact at walk.			
Ride at walk, trot & canter, with smooth transitions, performing circles & figure eights at each gait.			

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REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Discuss performance with Examiner, including whether or not mount was moving freely forward.			
Describe 3 artificial aids & their uses.			
Perform an emergency dismount at the trot.			

RIDING OVER FENCES:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Ride over fences using “Riding Test Expectations”.			
Perform simple gymnastic exercises for rider over trotting poles, followed by a small jump (not to exceed 2’3”).			
Ride over a small grid (3 fences not to exceed 2’3”).			
Ride over jumping course of 6 to 8 obstacles; include a 2 stride combination (obstacles not to exceed 2’9”).			
Discuss performance with Examiner, including steadiness of pace and ways ride could be improved.			

RIDING IN THE OPEN:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Ride safely with control in a group, on a suitable mount, at the walk, trot & canter.			
C1 speed should not exceed 325 meters per minute to 350 meters per minute.			

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REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Discuss &/or demonstrate, if time available, riding safely over varied terrain, including hills, ditches, low banks, flat open area & streams.			
Ride over several cross-country obstacles, not to exceed 2'9" in height.			
Discuss performance with Examiner, giving reasons for any disobediences.			

HORSE MANAGEMENT EXPECTATIONS:

The candidate should show a developing awareness of cause & effect in the care of own pony. He or she should be familiar with local common horse terms. Assistance is recommended in the demonstration of bandaging.

TURN OUT/ TACK:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Attire to be correctly formal or informal, or as designated by the DC.			
Mount to be well-groomed, reflecting regular care.			
Tack to be safe, clean & well adjusted, reflecting regular care.			

CONDITIONING:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Discuss what is meant by conditioning & how to condition for a particular Pony Club activity of your choice.			

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NUTRITION:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Describe how feeds are measured & weighed.			
Know amount & type of feed for own mount.			
Describe characteristics of good & bad feed, watering & pasture.			

STABLE MANAGEMENT:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Discuss types of bedding appropriate for your area.			
Be able to put a blanket on mount safely.			
Discuss types & causes of stable vices.			
Describe & give reasons for 3 types of clippings.			
Describe conditions which foster internal & external parasites, procedure for parasite control in pasture & stall management, ways to control flies and Bot eggs.			

PONY PARTS, CONFORMATION & LAMENESS:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Identify good & bad points of basic leg conformation.			
Describe 5 common unsoundnesses as to location & outward appearance.			

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TRAVEL SAFETY:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Discuss basic equipment needed for mount's safety & comfort during trailer travel.			
Know trailer safety checklist.			

RECORD BOOK:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
The C1 is expected to keep a careful Record Book of all immunizations, veterinary visits, farrier visits, etc. The book must be brought to the test for review & critique. Must have records for at least 6 months. Records should reflect appropriate knowledge for this level.			

HEALTH CARE & VETERINARY KNOWLEDGE:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Describe how to treat minor wounds.			

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REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Discuss: Regular worming control for own mount; how & why to deworm new mounts in barn.			
Know health care schedule for own mount, including dates of inoculations (tetanus, encephalomyelitis, etc.), deworming, floating of teeth, shoeing.			

INTRODUCTION TO HORSE SPORTS:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
List all the horse sports that are offered in USPC.			

TEACHING:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Under direct supervision of Examiner, perform & explain reasons for a safety & tack inspection for a D Pony Club member.			

LONGEING:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Discuss reasons for longeing.			
Discuss equipment necessary & safety procedures.			

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FOOT & SHOEING:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Discuss the 5 steps of shoeing.			
Recognize farrier tools and know their uses.			

BANDAGING:

REQUIREMENTS:	REQUIREMENTS LEARNED OR DEMONSTRATED:	DATE:	INITIALS OF INSTRUCTOR AND DC:
Be able to apply a shipping bandage with assistance.			

SPECIAL NOTES:

***Information for “C” Pony Club Candidates can be found on the U.S.P.C. website at: <http://www.ponyclub.org> under FORMS. The Standards of Proficiency provide reading lists for the various levels and your “C” U.S.P.C. manual or book can be purchased through the U.S.P.C. bookstore.

