



# Horsemanship Skills Assessment

Please fill out and return the Skills Assessment and Release Form to The Cutter Farm as soon as possible.

Student/Camper Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

**Circle your current skill level:** (See below for description of levels)

Never ridden before

Beginner

Beginner Walk/Trot

Advanced Beginner

Novice Flat

Intermediate Flat

Beginner Fences

Novice Fences

**Please answer the following questions:**

1. How many years of horseback riding lessons have you completed? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Where have you taken lessons in the past? \_\_\_\_\_

3. When was the last time you were on a horse? \_\_\_\_\_

4. What is your approximate height? \_\_\_\_\_ Weight? \_\_\_\_\_

5. Have you had any bad riding experiences? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. Do you have any special needs, issues or problems that we should be aware of?

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7. Other information related to your horseback riding experience?

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## Horsemanship Skill Levels for English Riding:

**Beginner:** Little or no experience (10 lessons/hours or less)

**Beginner Walk/Trot:** You can ride independently in both directions of the ring at the walk, and sitting and posting trot.

**Advanced Beginner:** You can ride independently in both directions of the ring at the walk, and sitting and posting trot, have knowledge of correct diagonals, and basic knowledge of saddlery and "tacking up"

**Novice Flat:** Same as Advanced Beginner, plus must be able to demonstrate the canter in both directions of the ring, and can trot without stirrups

**Intermediate Flat:** You can demonstrate walk, trot, and canter in both directions with correct diagonals and leads, and are able to ride in a two-point position at the walk and trot.

**Beginner Fences:** Same as Intermediate Flat, plus you are able to negotiate a six fence course of approximately 18" at the trot.

**Novice Fences:** Same as Beginner Fences, but you are able to negotiate a six fence course of approximately 2' 3" at a canter.