



**GIANT
STEPS**

Therapeutic
Equestrian Center

Horse Assessment Worksheet

Pages 1-2 to be completed by horse owner.

Horse Name	Mare / Gelding	Date
Owner	Phone	
Breed	Color	Markings
Age	Height	Loan / Donation

HEALTH HISTORY

Veterinarian	Farrier	Feed
Last vaccination(s)	Coggins	De-worming
Shod	Vision	Hearing
Last ridden	Lameness Issues	
Additional notes		

TRAINING & EXPERIENCE

Schooled in: <input type="checkbox"/> Arena <input type="checkbox"/> Trails <input type="checkbox"/> Shows <input type="checkbox"/> Jumping <input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Western <input type="checkbox"/> Dressage <input type="checkbox"/> Gaited		
How is horse at walk?	At trot?	At canter?
Lunging?	How does horse lead at walk?	How does horse lead at trot?
Does horse accept: <input type="checkbox"/> Cross ties <input type="checkbox"/> Mounting block/ramp <input type="checkbox"/> Use of crop		

What is horse's typical way of going? <input type="checkbox"/> Hard to get going <input type="checkbox"/> Willing <input type="checkbox"/> Forward <input type="checkbox"/> Gate/barn sour
Has horse used automatic water? Y / N

BEHAVIOR

Has horse ever: <input type="checkbox"/> Kicked <input type="checkbox"/> Bucked <input type="checkbox"/> Reared
Does horse ever: <input type="checkbox"/> Bite <input type="checkbox"/> Spook <input type="checkbox"/> Blanketing <input type="checkbox"/> Bath <input type="checkbox"/> Crib
How is horse in stall? <input type="checkbox"/> Quiet <input type="checkbox"/> Anxious <input type="checkbox"/> Bored <input type="checkbox"/> Content
Has horse been turned out with other equines?
How is horse in turn out? <input type="checkbox"/> Aggressive <input type="checkbox"/> Passive <input type="checkbox"/> Quiet
How does horse get along with other horses (mares and geldings)?
Does horse tend to be dominant? Submissive? Depends?
Does horse have any dislikes?
Reasons for loaning/donating?
Tack <input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Western Type of bit used _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Ride in halter <input type="checkbox"/> Bareback <input type="checkbox"/> Sidepull <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)
Will tack come with horse?

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This section to be completed by Giant Steps staff only.

Date of appointment: _____ Time: _____

Address for appointment: _____

Assessment team present: _____

OBSERVATIONS AT TRIAL

General observations
In cross tie: _____ Stands quietly _____ Nervous _____ Mouthy Heads and ears: _____
Grooming: _____ Quiet _____ Mouthy _____ Nervous _____ Sensitive Picking up feet:
Tacking: _____ Stands quietly _____ Anxious _____ Pins ears _____ Girthy _____ Accepts bridle

OBSERVATIONS AT WORK

Lead line without rider
Mounting
On loose rein
Halt
Responds to voice commands
Response to crop
Response to yelling

Leg pressure on barrel/flanks: _____ quiet _____ nervous _____ upset
Leg swinging/hitting barrel/flanks: _____ quiet _____ nervous _____ upset
Off balance rider
Arms/hands around head
Hair/mane pulling
Arms/Hands Placed on hindquarters
Waving in air
Unexpected movement
Response to: Sidewalker falling back: Toys: Wheelchairs: Equipment:
Hands/arms on barrel/flanks: _____ quiet _____ nervous _____ upset
Hands/arms on hindquarters: _____ quiet _____ nervous _____ upset
Dismounting:
Response to new training:
Defers to instructions from: _____ leader _____ rider
Reaction to contradictory input from leader/rider: _____ Confused _____ Anxious _____ Stops _____ Speeds up _____ Upset

How does the horse perform in the following situations?

	With Leader	With Side-walkers	Independent
Walk			
Trot			
Canter	N/A	N/A	

Comments to Owner: