



VET CHECK FORM

The Whole Horse Exam Form

Owner _____ Date _____ Time _____ AM/PM

Horse _____ Breed _____ Age _____ Sex _____ Color _____

History: Any prior problems? Use? Location & travel history last 6 months?

Reason for WHE Today: Describe the problem you perceive? When did you first notice it?

- OBSERVATIONS FROM A DISTANCE -

General Attitude & Demeanor: Bright Alert Responsive (BAR) Quiet Alert Responsive (QAR) Lethargic Mildly Depressed Depressed

Notes _____

Appetite: Normal Increased Decreased Not Eating **Drinking:** Normal Increased Decreased None **Manure**

Amount: Normal Increased Decreased None **Manure Appearance:** Normal Diarrhea Soft- Cowpie Hard/dry

Urine Amount: Normal Increased Decreased Don't Know **Urine Appearance/Color:** Normal Abnormal

Don't Know

Notes _____

- PHYSICAL ASSESSMENT -

Body Condition Score (1-9) : _____

Condition/Quality of Skin & Coat: Excellent Good Fair Poor **Condition/Quality of Mane & Tail:**

Excellent Good Fair Poor

Notes _____

Temperature: _____ **Pulse :** _____ **Respiration:** _____

Gum Color (Mucous Membranes): White/Pale Pale Pink Pink Red Purple/Blue Toxic Line Yellow

Capillary Refill Time (CRT): Almost Immediate 1-2 seconds 2-3 seconds Over 3 seconds

Skin Pinch – Hydration: Normal (snaps back within 1 second) Prolonged

Pulse Feels: Normal Weak Irregular Cannot Feel

Heart Sounds: Normal Murmur Irregular Cannot Tell

Breathing Seems: Normal Abnormal Cannot Tell

Notes _____

GUT SOUNDS

• **Left Upper:** Absent/Silent Less than Normal Normal Rumbling More than Normal • **Left Lower:** Absent/Silent Less than Normal Normal Rumbling More than Normal • **Right Upper:** Absent/Silent Less than Normal Normal Rumbling More than Normal • **Right Lower:** Absent/Silent Less than Normal Normal Rumbling More than Normal • **Lowest -Belly:** Absent/Silent Less than Normal Normal Rumbling More than Normal

Notes _____

HEAD, FACE, & EYES *Look for asymmetry, swellings, injury, heat or pain response.*

• **Head, face & throat look & feel:** Normal Abnormal
• **Left Eye:** Normal Red Cloudy Watering "'''''''''''''''' Squinting Growth • **Right Eye:** Normal Red Cloudy Watering "'''''''''''''''' Squinting Growth

Notes _____

LEGS & FEET *Look for asymmetry, swellings, injury, heat or pain response.* **Limbs look & feel :** LF - Normal RF - Normal LH - Normal RH - Normal

Notes _____

Feet look & feel: *Assess hoof balance, hoof wall quality, look for cracks.* **LF** - Normal (Cool & No Digital Pulse) Warm or Hot Weak Digital Pulse Strong Digital Pulse **RF** - Normal (Cool & No Digital Pulse) Warm or Hot Weak Digital Pulse Strong Digital Pulse **LH** - Normal (Cool & No Digital Pulse) Warm or Hot Weak Digital Pulse Strong Digital Pulse **RH** - Normal (Cool & No Digital Pulse) Warm or Hot Weak Digital Pulse Strong Digital Pulse

Notes _____

Look for asymmetry, swellings, injury, heat or pain response.

• **Body, neck & back look & feel:** Normal Abnormal
• **Under belly looks & feels:** Normal Abnormal
• **Tail & under tail looks & feels:** Normal Abnormal
• **Sheath or udder looks & feels:** Normal Abnormal

Notes _____

Horse at Movement *Walk straight away, turn sharp both left and right.*

Looks: Normal Lame Wobbly Weak Stiff Reluctant

Notes _____

Please share your findings and concerns with your veterinarian.