

## SAMSAR Consideration Requirements

- VEHICLES

- Vehicle Inspection

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|-------------------------------------|------|------|
| • Vehicle in good working condition | pass | fail |
| • Lights                            | pass | fail |
| • Tires                             | pass | fail |
| • Receiver                          | pass | fail |

Comments:

- Horse Trailer Inspection

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|---------------------------|------|------|
| • Tires in good condition | pass | fail |
| • Lights in working order | pass | fail |
| • Floor boards            | pass | fail |
| • Hitch                   | pass | fail |
| • Door latches            | pass | fail |

Comments:

- Vehicle Operation

- Hook up trailer pass    fail
- Ability to safely operate vehicle/trailer combination in either direction pass    fail
- Consideration of having animal in trailer pass    fail

Comments:

- Horse/Mule must be in good shape

- How often is the horse ridden?
- Lameness when circled to the left? pass    fail
- Lameness when circled to the right? pass    fail
- Is the horse shod? Yes    No

Comments:

- EQUIPMENT

- Inspection of Tack/equipment to ensure that all is in good, operational condition.
  - Cinch pass fail
  - Breast Collar etc pass fail
  - Bridle pass fail
  - Halter pass fail

Comments:

- PREPARATION TO RIDE

- Safely load/unload animal in trailer pass fail
  - Animal's ability to load/unload without chronic problem pass fail
  - Animals willingness to be "trailed" pass fail

Comments:

- TIE OUT

- Properly tie horse to fixed object (safe amount of rope) pass fail
- Use acceptable knot (knot that is secure, of quick release design and cannot be undone by animal) pass fail

Comments:

- GROOMING

- Properly groom animal before saddling pass fail
  - At a minimum, groom area to be covered by blanket, saddle and packs (gear) prior to “saddling.” pass fail
- Inspect feet for loose shoes, impediment in hoof, etc. pass fail

Comments:

- BRIDLING/SADDLING

- Properly bridle animal
  - Proper position of bit in mouth pass fail
  - Properly secure buckles, straps etc. pass fail
  - Proper haltering pass fail

Comments:

- Properly saddle animal
  - Proper placement of saddle pad/blanket and saddle pass fail
  - Properly cinch front and rear saddle cinch or if using “center fire rigging,” properly cinch rigging pass fail
  - Proper placement and tension of breast collar pass fail
  - For mules, proper placement and tension of “breeching” or “crupper.” In both front and rear cinches before and during mission pass fail
  - Animal should accept placement/removal of saddle/pommel bags pass fail

Comments:

- BASIC RIDING SKILLS
- Demonstrate proper mount/dismount technique
  - Maintains control of animal during mounting/dismounting process pass fail
  - Proper hand and foot placement pass fail
  - Mount/dismount the animal safely pass fail
  - Demonstrates proper balance while mounting/dismounting pass fail
  - Animal remains still during mounting/dismounting process pass fail

Comments:

- Demonstrate proper, comfortable, confident riding posture at varying speeds
- Reins pass fail
- Hand position pass fail
- Seat pass fail
- Balance pass fail
- Feet position pass fail

Comments:

- Demonstrate proper riding cues

- Move Forward/Backward

pass    fail

- Turn Left/Right

pass    fail

- Stop/Go

pass    fail

Comments:

All items have been reviewed with candidate/trainee and improvements and corrections discussed.

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Candidate/Trainee      date

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SAMSAR Rep.              date