



## Certificate 3 - Ground Skills

Student's Name .....

Horse's Name .....

### Desensitization

	Pass	Comments
G3.1 Stand beside your horse and throw a rug, blanket, tarp etc over his back. Drape it over his head and neck while he stands relaxed for at least 10 seconds, his face completely covered.	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....

### Yielding from pressure

G3.2 Stand in front of your horse facing him. Using your hand on his nose, ask him for soft feel, then backwards for 10 steps and forwards for ten steps maintaining soft feel in both directions.	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....
G3.3 Stand in front of your horse facing him. Using your hand on his nose, ask him to back in a straight line showing slow, medium and fast. (At least 6 steps at each speed).	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....
G3.4 Stand beside your horse at his shoulder. Ask your horse to move sideways towards you for 10 steps, then sideways away from you for 10 steps. Can use stick/string.	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....

### Yielding from a suggestion

G3.5 Stand in front of your horse facing him. Ask him to back in a small figure of eight. Be at the end of the 12ft lead.	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....
G3.6 Stand beside your horse's shoulder. Ask him to move sideways in a small figure of eight. Be at least halfway down the 12ft lead.	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....
G3.7 Stand behind your horse at his tail and ask him to take 5 steps backwards.	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....
G3.8 Stand at your horse's shoulder and ask him to take 5 steps forward and 5 steps backwards.	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....

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**Following the feel of the lead - staying inside the halter**

	<b>Pass</b>	<b>Comments</b>
G3.9 Ask your horse to circle around you, disengage his hindquarter then bring the front end across to change direction and trot a half circle in the other direction. Repeat four times while you walk forward in a straight line.	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....
G3.10 On the 12ft lead, ask your horse to trot a circle and show three styles of transitions. Lead up to a canter transition for a few strides.	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....
G3.11 On the 12ft lead, ask your horse to back around you in a circle.	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....
G3.12 On the 12ft lead, stand beside your horse and go sideways for 10ft, roll your horse over his hocks and go sideways for another 10ft. Repeat for both sides.		
G3.13 On the 22ft lead, ask your horse to circle you for four circles and jump an obstacle at least 3ft high	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....
G3.14 On the 22ft lead, ask your horse to circle you at the canter for two circles and then change direction by doing a flying change and canter two circles then change direction again by doing a flying change. Can use a fence to get flying change.	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....

**Liberty with stick and string**

G3.15 Without a round yard, ask your horse to follow you at the walk and trot around trees, over obstacles and up and down ditches. Show backwards and sideways around obstacles. Repeat for both sides.	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....
G3.16 Ask your horse to back in a figure of eight.	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....
G3.17 Float load your horse at liberty.	<input type="checkbox"/>	.....

Instructor's Signature ..... Date .....

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