








	BCS	Neck	Shoulder	Back	Ribs	Hip	Tailhead
NO IMAGE AVAILABLE	<b>1</b> emaciated	extremely thin; fatty tissue not felt or observed	scapula and spine of scapula prominent; fatty tissue not felt or observed	prominent ridge; individual spinous processes visible; no fatty tissue evident	individual ribs prominent; rib spacing appears wide and depressed	tuber coxae and tuber ischii visually prominent	individual coccygeal vertebrae visible
	<b>2</b> very thin	very thin; fatty tissue not felt or observed	scapula and spine of scapula visible; fatty tissue not felt or observed	defined ridge; individual spinous processes visible; transverse processes of lumbar vertebrae evident	individual ribs prominent and visually discernible	tuber coxae and tuber ischii visually evident	
	<b>3</b> thin	neck appears disjointed with shoulder; ventral portion appears thicker than dorsal area	scapula and spine of scapula visible	ridge (inverted crease); individual spinous processes not visible; transverse processes faintly discernible	slight fat cover over ribs; remain easily discernible	tuber coxae rounded but still easily visible; tuber ischii may be visible	tailhead visible
	<b>4</b> moderately thin	thin but not obviously thin	scapula slightly visible; spine of scapula not visible	slit ridge; individual spinous processes not visible	ribs visible	tuber coxae rounded but still easily visible; tuber ischii not visible; sides of hip are flat	
	<b>5</b> moderate	blend into shoulder; may appear slightly fleshy compared to domestic equids	blends into body; rounded over spinous processes	flat, no crease	ribs not easily distinguishable but easily felt	tuber coxae rounded but still visible; tuber ischii not visible; sides of hip are flat	not prominent; fat around area; smooth
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	<b>6</b> moderately fleshy	appears thicker; smoother transition into shoulder	smoother transition into body	flat but wider; no crease evident	ribs not discernible	tuber coxae barely visible; hip and thigh slightly rounded (less flat)	additional fat accumulated at the junction of the tailhead and sacral vertebrae
	<b>7</b> fleshy	deposition of fat evident; bend of neck demonstrates wider fat wrinkles over area	wider fat wrinkles over area	may appear level; fatty patches may be visible	thickening over ribs is evident; fat wrinkles over ribs are unevenly spaced and wide	hip and thigh appear slightly round	
<p>NO IMAGE AVAILABLE</p>	<b>8</b> obese	bend of neck demonstrates fewer, wider fat wrinkles	fewer, wider fat wrinkles over area; region of thoracic vertebrae not definable; may have patchy fat	negative crease down back is evident; patchy fat can be seen	fat provides a wider wrinkled effect that is exaggerated when animal bends	hip and thigh are rounded	
<p>NO IMAGE AVAILABLE</p>	<b>9</b> grossly obese	fat is evident along area	region of thoracic vertebrae are not definable; fat patches are evident	wide back, obvious negative crease; patchy fat	patchy fat may appear over area; fat evident	hip and thigh are well rounded	bulging fat on either side of tailhead
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