










**Body Condition Score**  
Scimitar-horned Oryx  
*Oryx dammah*

	BCS	Pelvis (hook, pin)	Tail Head	Ribs	Back	Neck/ Shoulder	Notes
	<b>1 Emaciated</b>	Bones sharply visible	Deep sunken depressions	Extremely prominent	Vertebrae clearly visible	Scapula clearly visible, neck ropey	No fat, little muscle.; boney structures all visible
	<b>2 Very Thin</b>	Very little fill over bone	Sunken depressions	Very prominent	Vertebrae visible	Scapula visible, neck/shoulder sharp junction	Very thin, small amount of muscle, boney structures visible; hooks & pins prominent, ribs obvious.
	<b>3 Thin</b>	Hook, pin easily visible	Depressions visible	Easily visible	Lateral processes visible	Scapular spine visible	Some individual spinous processes are discernable; hook and pin bones visible with fill in between.
	<b>4 Slightly Thin</b>	Flat from top of pelvis to tail head	Slight depressions	Outline visible	Lateral processes still visible, but spine smooth	Slight scapular spine visible	Spine smooth (spinous processes not visible), ribs can be seen.
	<b>5 Moderate</b>	Slight rounding to tail head; h/p covered	No depressions	Faintly seen caudally	Flesh obscures vertebrae	Shoulder smooth	Faint ribs can be seen, especially caudally; rounded rump, still see hook and pin, but with some cover.

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	<b>6</b> <b>Slightly Fat</b>	Round from top of pelvis to tail head	Small fat deposits, slight crease may be seen	Not visible	Back flat, withers slightly rounded	Smooth neck/shoulder junction; neck/shoulder rounded	Rounded over pins, hooks, shoulder, spine with flat back. Small fat deposit lateral abdomen in front of stifle.
	<b>7</b> <b>Moderately Fat</b>	Hook, pins covered, rounded to tail head	Moderate deposits, slight crease	Not visible	Back flat and wide, rounded withers	Scapula well covered	Fat pockets in front of stifle, behind elbow, and at tail head.
	<b>8</b> <b>Fat</b>	Very rounded	Bulging fat deposits, crease	Not visible	Slight crease, wide withers	Bulging at neck/shoulder junction	Fat behind shoulder, over ribs; back is wide and flat with a slight crease. Fat may be visible on ventral midline.
	<b>9</b> <b>Extremely Fat</b>	Fat pockets over rounded rump	Deep crease on rump, bulging fat	Not visible	Positive crease along back	Bulging fat	Fat covers most of muscle, and bony structures are not visible; body is very rounded, and may appear lumpy with fat.