

Patrick King *Horsemanship*

Developing Solid Foundations in Horses and Riders

Green & Growing **Stage One**

Unofficial Promotion Evaluation

Student Name:

Date:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Country:

Phone:

Email:

Horse's Name:

Breed:

Mare Gelding Stallion

Age:

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In order to 'unofficially' promote your horse to the **Mellow Yellow** foundation stage, you and your horse should be able to accomplish each of these tasks at the **Green and Growing** stage of proficiency.

GROUND SKILLS

- Horse lets you catch him in a corral or arena
- Horse lowers head to help you put the halter on
- Horse will yield to your body when leading at a walk, trot, and backup, with minimal help from your lead rope
- Toss your leadrope over and around his body without him needing to move his feet much
- Rub your horse's body and face with the flag first, then your hands
- Pick up all four feet, with a rope or with your hands
- Rope around: horse will 'unwind' to follow the feel of your lead rope
- Direct Yielding: Yield your horse's shoulders, hindquarters, and ribs to the left and right with finger pressure. Back up from chest and nose pressure
- Indirect Yielding: Yield your horse's shoulders, hindquarters, and ribs to the left and right with finger pressure. Back your horse off of your lead 8 or 10'
- Lunge on your leadrope at walk and trot
- Back your horse through a gate
- Send the horse over a small jump or obstacle
- Loop your lead around a post or tie ring and move horse's hindquarters left and right
- Load into the trailer by standing at the door and sending the horse in OR by walking in ahead of the horse
- Pony your horse from another horse, vehicle, atv, etc
- Saddle your horse from the off-side
- Horse helps to you bridle by lowering his head

RIDING SKILLS

- Mount and dismount from both sides
- Bend your horse's neck laterally
- Move hindquarters and forequarters separate of each other
- Back up 8 or 10 steps
- Leg yield from a standstill 3 or 4 steps each direction
- Leg yield at the walk and trot 5 or 6 steps each direction
- Canter on the left and right lead in an arena or corral
- Swing a lariat or leadrope while walking and trotting
- Work a gate

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