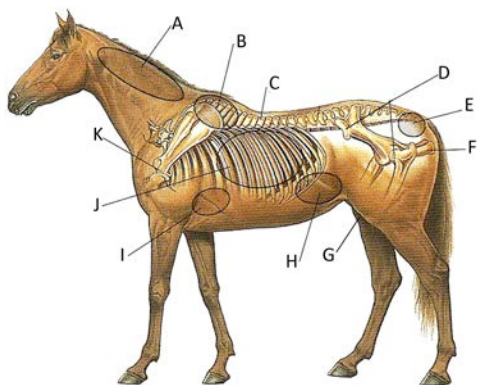




# BODY CONDITION SCORING CHART

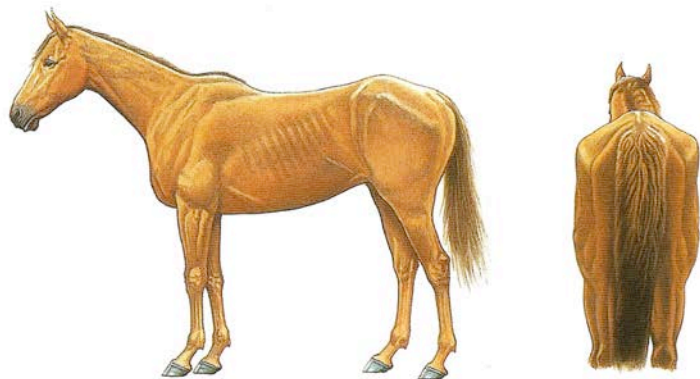


## Areas of Emphasis for Body Condition Scoring

- A. Thickening of the neck
- B. Fat covering the withers
- C. Fat deposits along backbone
- D. Tuber coxae
- E. Fat deposits around tailhead
- F. Tuber ischii
- G. Fat deposits on inner thigh
- H. Fat deposits on flanks
- I. Fat deposit behind shoulder
- J. Fat covering ribs
- K. Shoulder blends into neck

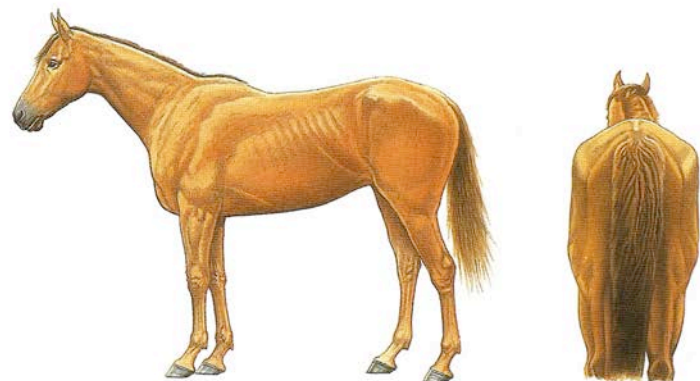
### 1. Poor

Animal extremely emaciated; spinous processes, ribs, tailhead, tuber coxae, and tuber ischii projecting prominently; bone structure of withers, shoulders, and neck easily noticeable; no fatty tissue can be felt.



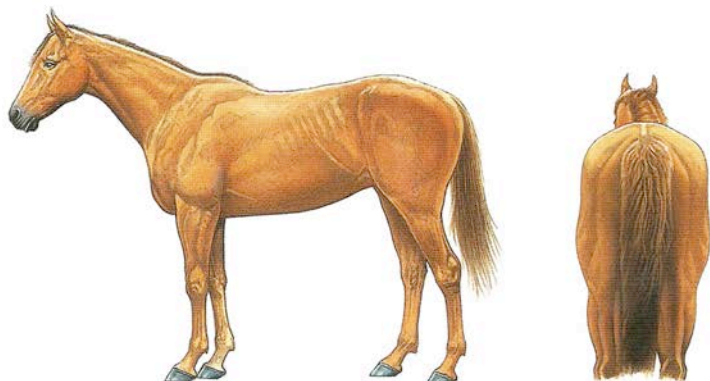
### 2. Very Thin

Animal emaciated; slight fat covering over base of spinous processes; transverse processes of the lumbar vertebrae feel rounded; spinous processes, ribs, tailhead, tuber coxae, and tuber ischii prominent; withers, shoulders, and neck structure faintly discernable.



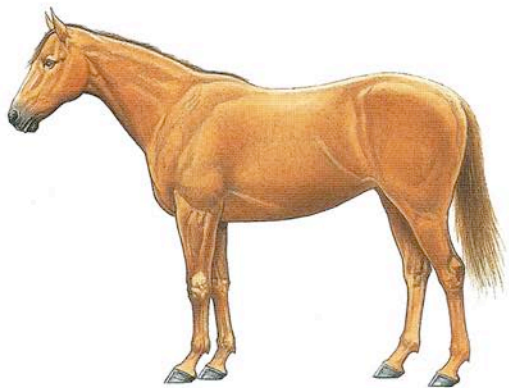
### 3. Thin

Fat buildup about halfway on the spinous processes; transverse processes cannot be felt; slight fat cover over ribs; spinous processes and ribs easily discernable; tailhead prominent, but individual vertebrae cannot be identified visually; tuber coxae appear rounded but easily discernable; tuber ischii not distinguishable; withers, shoulders and neck accentuated.



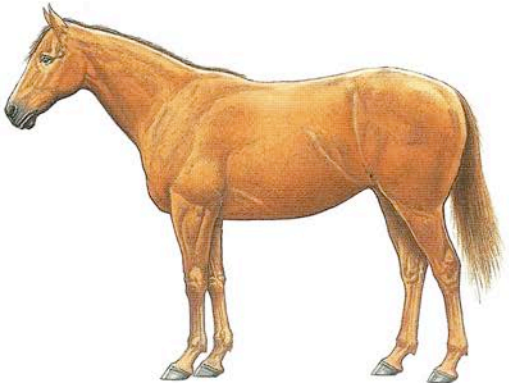
### 4. Moderately Thin

Slight ridge along back; faint outline of ribs discernable; tailhead prominence depends on conformation, fat can be felt around it; tuber coxae not discernable; withers, shoulders, and neck not obviously thin.



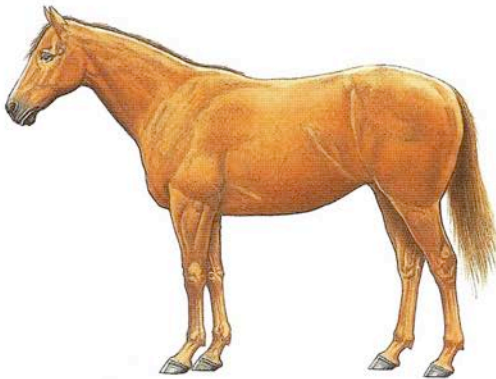
### 5. Moderate

Back is flat (no crease or ridge); ribs not visually distinguishable but easily felt; fat around tail head beginning to feel spongy; withers appear rounded over spinous processes; shoulders and neck blend smoothly into body.



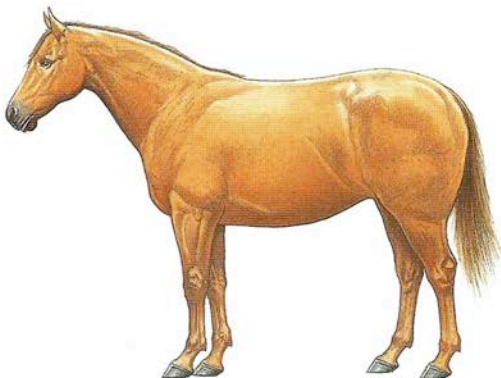
### 6. Moderately Fleshy

May have slight crease down back; fat over ribs fleshy/spongy; fat around tailhead soft; fat beginning to be deposited along sides of withers, behind shoulders and along sides of neck.



### 7. Fleshy

May have crease down back; individual ribs can be felt, but noticeable filling between ribs with fat; fat around tailhead soft; fat deposited along withers, behind shoulders, and along neck.



### 8. Fat

Crease down back; difficult to feel ribs; fat around tailhead very soft; area along withers filled with fat; area behind shoulder filled with fat; noticeable thickening of neck; fat deposited along inner thighs.

### 9. Extremely Fat

Obvious crease down the back; patchy, bulging fat around tailhead, along withers, behind shoulders, and along neck.