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Working Ranch Horse Optional Focus Area Skills Checklist

Member's name: _____

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ch requires specific knowledge and skills. The skills listed below will help 4-H leaders know what to teach and 4-H members to know what they need to learn. Have your leader initial and date each skill as completed. Each level may take more than one year to complete.

	Date Completed	Approved By
Level 1		
1. Demonstrate your horse's ability to ground tie and be hobbled.	_____	_____
2. Name branding method used for horse identification.	_____	_____
3. Roping:		
a. Name the parts of the rope.	_____	_____
b. Demonstrate the ability to coil and handle a rope.	_____	_____
c. Demonstrate roping a dummy (heading and heeling) from the ground.	_____	_____
d. Demonstrate roping a dummy (heading and heeling) from a horse.	_____	_____
e. Demonstrate a proper dally while roping a dummy from horseback.	_____	_____
4. Cattle working skills:		
a. Describe the term "read cattle."	_____	_____
b. Demonstrate your ability to read and handle one animal on foot.	_____	_____
Level 2 – Complete Level 1 before proceeding to level 2	Date Completed	Approved By
1. Demonstrate the following youth/horse skills while mounted.		
a. Ability to sort and pen cattle.	_____	_____
b. Open, go through, and close gates (wood, metal)	_____	_____
2. List the equipment and gear that may be necessary during a ranch working day.	_____	_____
3. Demonstrate the following roping skills from horseback:		
a. The purpose of each part of the rope.	_____	_____
b. A proper dally when heading a calf as if you were in an actual ranch situation (using a break-away hondo).	_____	_____
c. A proper dally when heeling a calf as if you were in an actual ranch situation (using a break-away hondo).	_____	_____

- d. Demonstrate your ability to safely ride in different kinds of ranch terrain (up and down hills, cross creeks, brush, trees, etc.).

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