

ITRP VOLUNTEER LEVEL SYSTEM

Star Volunteer-Under 14

- Volunteer demonstrates how to tie a horse correctly
- Volunteer correctly identifies grooming tools and what they are used for (curry comb, mane/tail brush, soft body brush, hoof pick, spray)
- Volunteer explains feeding/watering procedures for horses at ITRP
- Volunteer explains mucking procedures for stalls
- Volunteer explains what a warm up/cool down is for horses
- Volunteer leads horse around arena through a pattern (both directions)
- Volunteer demonstrates correct hand position on lead rope

Level 1 Volunteer-Side-walking

- Does the volunteer demonstrate correct handholds (over thigh, tag at heel)
- Demonstrate how to properly fit a helmet
- Mount/Dismount at Ramp (croup/crest)
- Dismount to ground (offside)
- Volunteer explains what to do in an emergency situation

Level 2 Volunteer-Leading

- Volunteer demonstrates correct hand position on lead rope
- Volunteer leads horse around arena through a pattern (both directions)
- Volunteer backs horse 5 steps
- Volunteer leads horse through mounting ramp
- Volunteer demonstrates how to tie a horse properly
- Volunteer explains what a warm up/cool down is
- Volunteer explains what to do leading in an emergency situation

Level 3 Volunteer-Tack/Groom

- Volunteer correctly identifies grooming tools and what they are used for (curry comb, mane/tail brush, soft body brush, hoof pick, spray)
- Volunteer demonstrates how to put on a bareback pad/bareback pad w/surcingle
- Volunteer demonstrates how to put on a Western saddle
- Volunteer demonstrates how to put on an English saddle
- Volunteer demonstrates how to put on a bridle/reins on halter

Level 4 Volunteer-Advanced

- Volunteer explains why lunging/groundwork is important
- Volunteer demonstrates lunging in arena w/lead line (both directions)
- Volunteer demonstrates lunging in round pen (both directions)
- Volunteer demonstrates how to mount a client at the ramp (crest/croup)
- Volunteer demonstrates how to dismount a client at the ramp (crest/croup)
- Volunteer demonstrates how to dismount a client to the ground

Level 5 Volunteer-Volunteer Mentor

- Volunteer demonstrates an Emergency Dismount
- Volunteer must have passed levels 1, 2, 3, and 4 & have 35 hours of experience
- Volunteer explains different safety procedures (thunderstorms, intruder, high winds, etc)
- Volunteer explains attendance policy for volunteer