

# 4-H'ers for Clean Water Checklist ✓



Once you've finished doing the required activities in the *4-H'ers for Clean Water manual*, fill out this checklist to see how many Healthy HorseKeeping practices you're doing around your horse place! Put a check mark in the "Yes" column for the practices you're already doing, a check in the "Working on it!" column for things you are planning on doing, and "No plans yet" for the things you don't expect to do anytime soon. You can also put a check mark in the "Does not apply" column if the question doesn't apply to your situation. For example, if you do not have a stream, ditch or pond on your property, you can skip the questions listed in the Clean Streams section.

<b>Conquering Mount Manure</b>	<b>Yes, already done!</b>	<b>Working on it!</b>	<b>No plans yet</b>	<b>Does not apply</b>	<b>See manual pages:</b>
Do you clean your stalls and paddocks every day or at least every three days?					23
Is your manure pile covered with a tarp, roof or other cover?					32
Do you have a plan for what to do with your horse's manure or compost? (Examples include spreading compost on pastures, giving manure away to neighbors, hiring a company to haul away your manure.)					34-37
<b>Tackling Mud</b>					
Do you keep your horse in a paddock (and off pastures) during the winter and early spring?					41-47
Do you have footing materials like gravel or hogfuel in your winter paddock?					49-51
Does your barn or run-in shed have gutters and downspouts that direct water away from your winter paddock and other high-traffic areas?					52-54

**\* Flip to the other side for more questions!**

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<b>Perfect Pastures</b>					
When grass is grazed down to three inches do you move your horse to a winter paddock or onto a new section of pasture where grass is at least six inches tall?					58-62
Do you mow your pastures at least once during the growing season (April through September) to make all of the grass the same height and to control weeds?					63
When a pasture has been grazed down to three inches, do you harrow the area to break up and spread manure piles?					64
<b>Clean Streams</b>					
Do you store your horse's manure in a pile that is at least 50 feet away from any stream, pond, ditch or other water body on your property?					30
Are there trees and shrubs growing along the stream bank?					67-68
Are horses fenced out of the stream?					69-70
<b>Making a Place for Wildlife</b>					
Do you control insects naturally by providing bird and/or bat houses at your horse place?					73-74
Do you have a variety of native shrubs and trees (living and non-living, such as snags and fallen logs) that provide habitat for different kinds of wildlife?					77-78
Do you prevent pests (such as opossums and raccoons) by putting dog and cat food away at night?					81

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