

EPM:

Scale for evaluation/labeling lameness

The following is from Manual of Equine Practice, Rose and Hodgson)-Criteria for grading ataxia, weakness, spasticity and dysmetria:

0=**normal**

1=**deficit detectable** at normal gaits- signs exacerbated with manipulative procedures

2=**deficit obvious** at normal gaits- signs exacerbated w. manipulative procedures

3=signs **particularly obvious** at normal gaits. Horses give **impression they may fall (but do not)** and buckle with manipulative procedures

4=**profound deficits** at normal gait. horses **frequently stumble and may fall** at normal gaits or when manipulative procedures are utilized

5=**recumbent** horse