

SCHLEESE

the female saddle specialist

Long Distance Fitting Kit Instructions

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Contact Info:

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Rider Info:

Male/Female

Height: _____ ft. _____ in. Or _____ cm

Weight: _____ lbs. Or _____ kg

Riding Level: _____

The following information is to be taken on the rider's left side while sitting in a saddle:

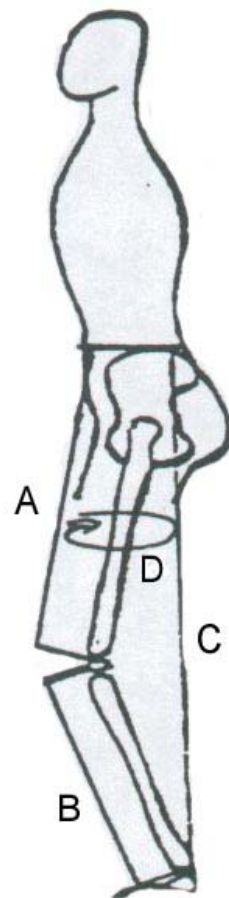
A: _____ in. (top of pelvis to kneecap)

B: _____ in. (Kneecap to ankle bone)

C: _____ in. (top of pelvis to ankle bone)

D: _____ in. (Circumference of thigh at its widest part)

Measure hips while standing with feet spread 2 ft. apart _____ in.



Horse Info:

Horse's Name: _____

Breed: _____ Gender: Stallion / Mare / Gelding

Height: _____ h.h.

Current Saddle Specifications:

Make: _____

Model: _____

Size: _____

Wither Tracing Instructions

Step 1:

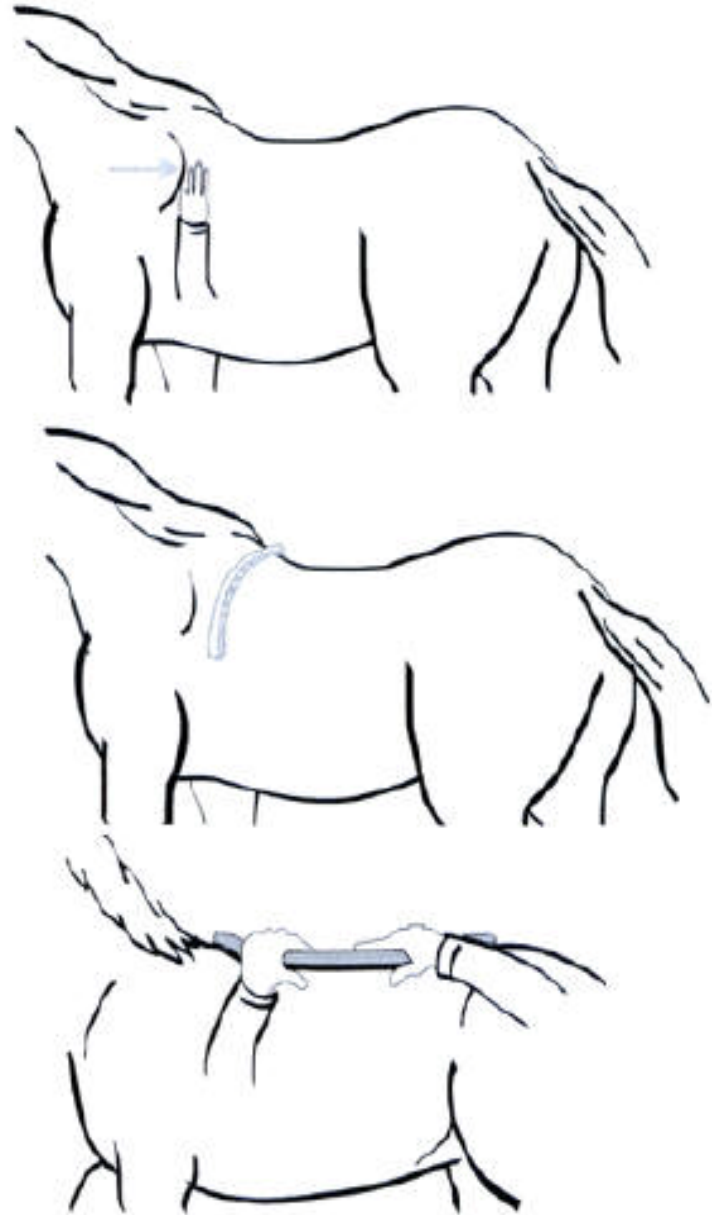
On the left side (near side) of your horse find three fingers behind the horse's Scapula (shoulder blade). See 1st diagram.

Step 2:

Mould the flexi-curve to the shape of the withers being sure it fits snug on both sides. See 2nd drawing. Lift the flexi-curve off the horse carefully and trace it on a big piece of thick paper or thin cardboard (bristol board or poster board is ideal). It is suggested you do the tracing twice to ensure you get the same tracing results each time. If you move too quickly the flexi-curve may move. If using a flexi-curve tool provided by **SCHLEESE**, see next page for tracing instructions (**before you trace**).

Step 3:

Spine/top line tracing. Start at the point where you took the wither tracing (Step 1). Lay the flexible curve on your horse's spine moulding it to its shape. See Drawing 3. Gently remove and trace the underside of the flexi-curve. When you trace, keep the same angle so the tracing looks like the curve of the horse. If you draw it on an angle it will not accurately replicate the curve of the back.



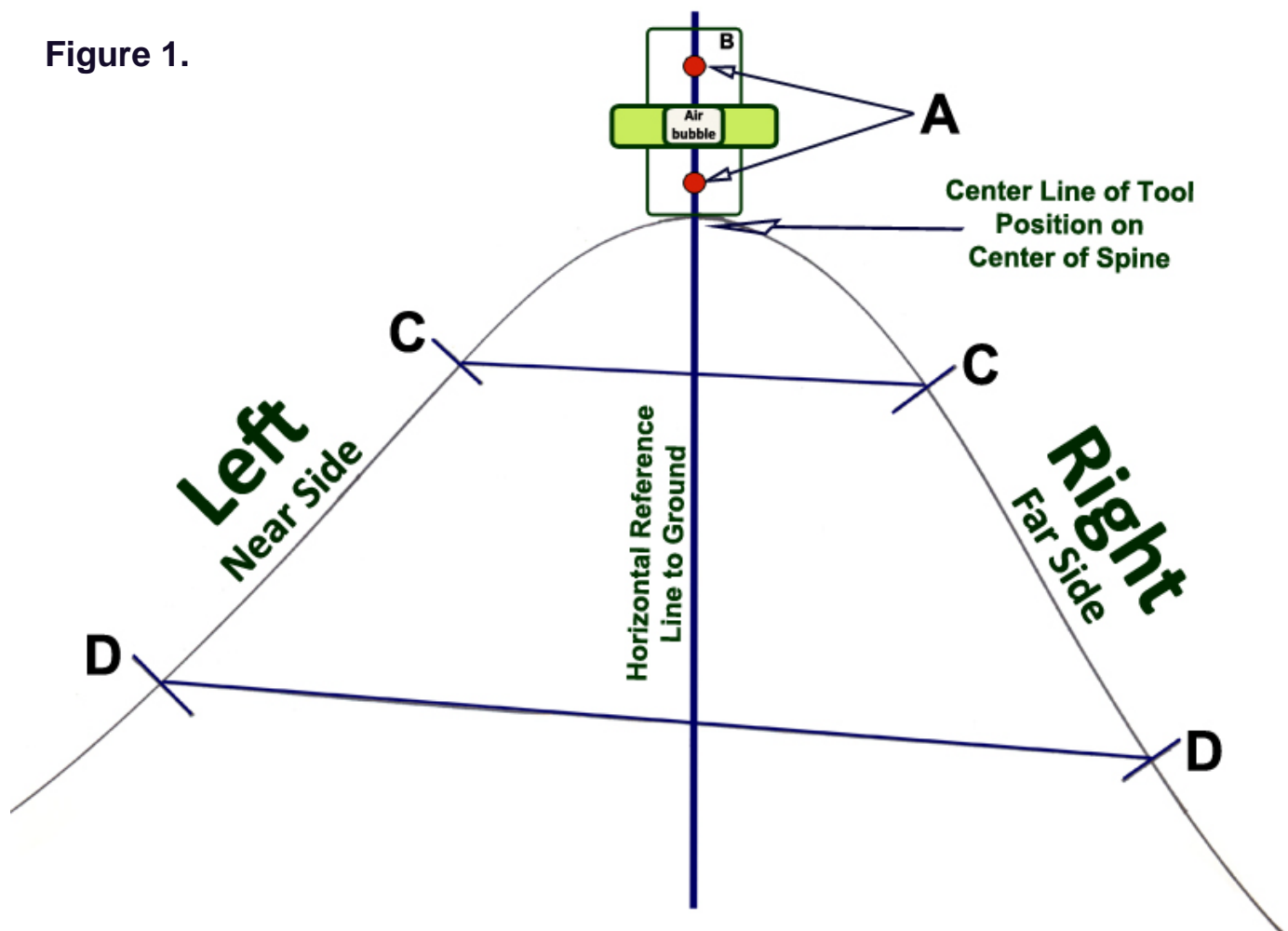
Using SCHLEESE'S Fitting Tool (Flexi-Curve)

You will be left with a wither shape similar to that of Figure (1) below. With a ruler join dots (A) and continue the vertical line straight down to the end of the page. After completing this line, join the horizontal "position" lines (C) and (D) as shown. No further tracing will be necessary.

Please Note:

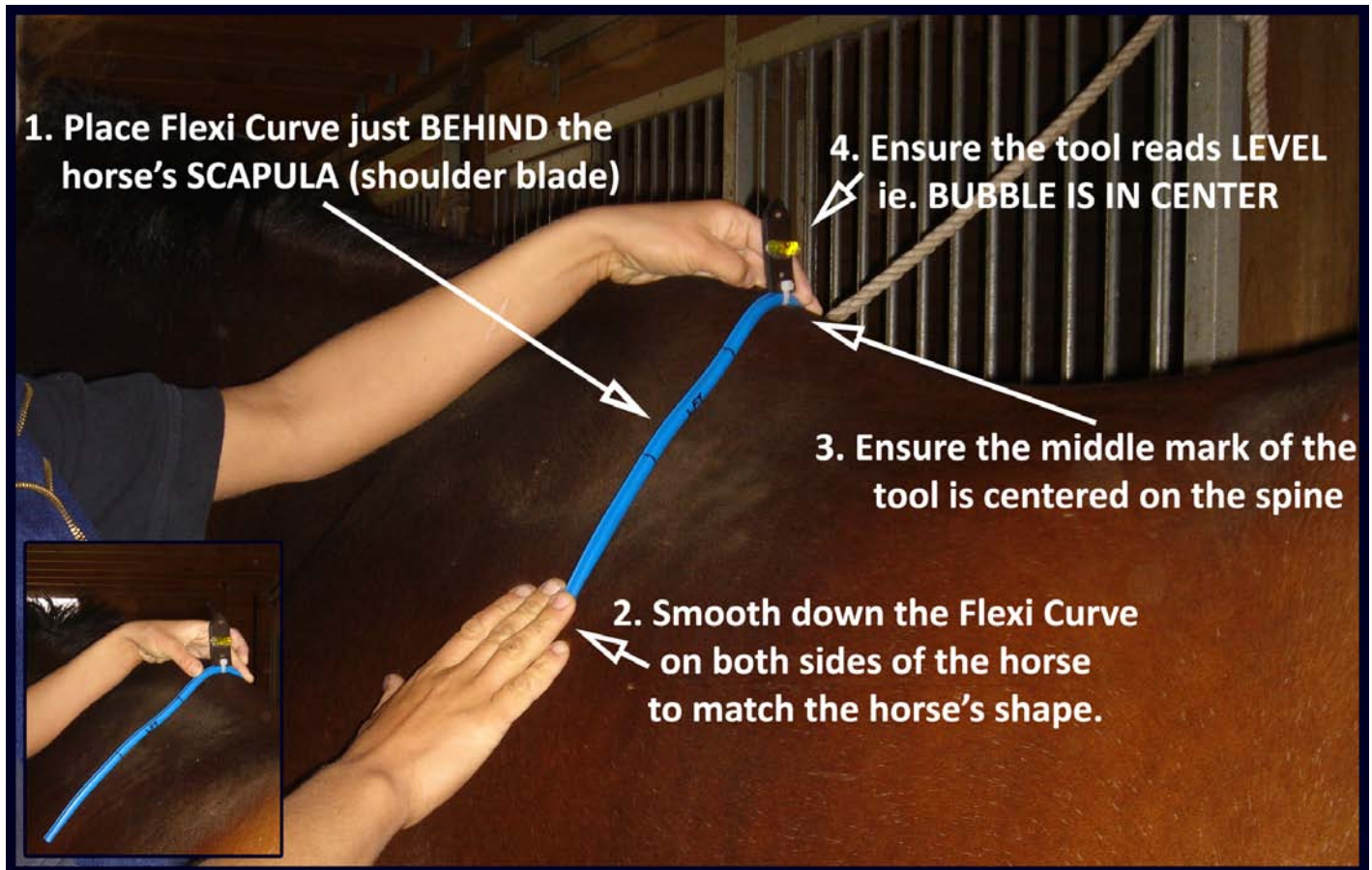
Take your time joining the lines as they will later be measured in cms or inches. Please ensure you utilize the SCHLEESE tool so that you are able to add the important marks below indicating the muscle groups and the 90° vertical reference mark to the ground which enables us to see which shoulder is larger.

Figure 1.



Please Note: In this example the left shoulder is larger than the right. If the two shoulders were the same size, lines "C" and "D" would be horizontal to the ground.

Figure 2.



Photographs Required

Before taking the photos please ensure the horse is standing square on level ground with the head **straight** forward. Ask a friend to help. Take the photos from the near (left) side.

1. **Side View** - with no tack - this is so we can see the entire horse's profile and confirmation.
2. **Behind View** - with no tack - stand on a stool behind the horse and take a photo along your horse's back, to see if one shoulder is larger than the other.

FOR CLIENTS HAVING THEIR SCHLEESE SADDLE REFIT

If you have a Schleese saddle that you are sending us to REFIT, please take the above photos, as well as the same ones again with the saddle girthed up on the horse with no pad. Repeat once more with you sitting in the saddle girthed up with no pad.

**** Email your Photos to the representative you are working with, or print them and mail them with your wither tracing.**

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