



TACK SHOP
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SADDLE CHECKLIST

Selecting a saddle can be a daunting task, especially when you have dozens of saddles stacked before you. Filling out this form and bringing it into the store with you will allow us to help you pick saddles that will be more likely to fit your horse. Of course, if you don't know the answers to some of these questions, the Olson's staff is more than happy to help you fill out this questionnaire.

RIDER'S NAME _____

HORSE INFORMATION

Name: _____ Age: _____

Discipline: _____

Level of Fitness: *check one*

Unfit/Out of Work Reasonably Fit (ridden 3-4 days per week) Competition Fit (ridden 5-6 days per week)

Health History:

Ligament / Tendon Injuries? Yes No If so, when, and what leg(s)? _____

Arthritis? Yes No If so, what leg(s)? _____

Back Soreness? Yes No If so, what area of the back seems to be the most affected? _____

Any other health or soundness issues? _____

Do you expect the horse to change shape / fill out? Yes No If so, how? _____

SADDLE INFORMATION

What kind of saddle are you currently using? _____

How has it fit your horse? _____

How has it fit you? _____

What size seat do you need? _____

Do you prefer a narrower twist or a wider twist? _____

Do you need a longer or shorter flap? _____

Do you prefer a deeper seat or shallower seat? _____

Do you want larger or smaller knee rolls/thigh blocks? _____

What size tree does your horse need? _____

(Note: Tree sizes differ from manufacturer to manufacturer, but there are some general rules of thumb. Horses with a prominent wither usually need a medium tree, horses without much wither are often medium-wide to wide.)

TIP

Taking wither and back tracings with a flexible ruler and bringing templates into the store makes it even easier for us to rule out saddles that may or may not work for your horse. [Click here to learn how to take a wither template.](#)