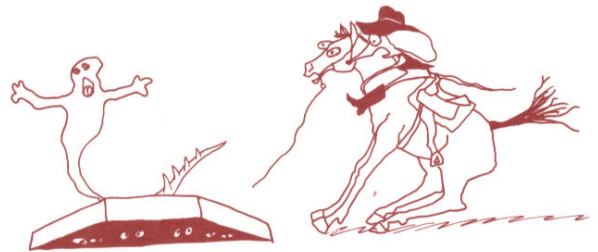


SAMPLE TRAIL OBSTACLES TO PRACTICE AT HOME

Hobble
Stand tied quietly
Ground Tie - while grooming & tacking up?
Gates – rope & metal
Walk, trot & lope over poles
Walk, trot & lope cones - serpentines & circles
Ride straight lines stopping at predetermined marked spots
Side-pass – I , L , W , Z
Haunch turns & Forehand turns
Backing - L , W , Z, serpentines, cloverleaf barrels, figure 8's, maze
Bridge – tarp or plywood
Carry bucket full of noisy items from point A to point B
Pick up all 4 feet - from the same side?
Drag – log, tire, tarp, cow hide
Carry flag, umbrella, backpack
Blow-up dummy or large stuffed animals
Styrofoam balls or beach balls (toss around horse)
Trailer loading – back out, turn around, long line, etc.
Animals – llama, goat, sheep, buffalo, ducks, chickens, elk or cow hides
Ride under hanging plastic strips, clothes lines
Mounting – mounting block, rocks, fence, trailer bumper, etc.
Tent – circle around tent, go in tent, rattle sides,
Rubber raft with oaring motion
Bridling – from knees?
Water crossing – water on tarp or plastic
Mail box or item hanging on fence
Put slicker on & off
Vacuum cleaner, hair dryer or clippers
Heavy equipment driving close beside horse
Rocky patches
Steps up hill (RR ties, logs,)
Blindfold horse
Mountain Bicycles
Simulate BBQ party motions

Plastic strips like car wash
Rubber Mats in water
Fan with streamers tied on
Narrow ditch w/dry ice for fog



Anything that makes your horse uncomfortable is the very thing you should practice more of!

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