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| **AAEP Lameness Scale** | |
| 0: | Lameness not perceptible under any circumstances |
| 1: | Lameness is difficult to observe and is not consistently apparent, regardless of circumstances (e.g. under saddle, circling, inclines, hard surface, etc.) |
| 2: | Lameness is difficult to observe at a walk or when trotting in a straight line but consistently apparent under certain circumstances (e.g. weight-carrying, circling,  inclines, hard surface, etc.) |
| 3: | Lameness is consistently observable at a trot under all circumstances |
| 4: | Lameness is obvious at a walk |
| 5: | Lameness produces minimal weight bearing in motion and/or at rest or a complete  inability to move |