

New Life Center for Thoroughbreds – Horse Levels					
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Disposition	Extremely quiet, bothered by nothing – practically “bombproof”	Very Laid back, rarely gets excited – lovely to be around	Mostly quiet, occasionally will be bothered by some things but can easily be reassured.	Often nervous, can be reassured, but requires a more experienced handler.	Generally nervous, requires an experienced handler.
Under Saddle	Very quiet – no spook, practically “bombproof” – can be trusted with less experienced riders.	Usually quiet but may show some nervousness in new situations.	Has tendency to be anxious under saddle and requires a more experienced rider. May get stressed and need reassurance.	Only suitable for a confident experienced rider. Often anxious and may threaten some vices under saddle -such a rearing, bucking, and bolting.	Extremely reactive and exhibit vices such as bucking, rearing and/or bolting. Needs experienced professional.
On the Ground	Can be lead in a normal halter and lead rope – Very quiet and polite. Cross ties, ties, stands well for everything.	Usually quiet being lead. May exhibit mild excitement in new situations. Stands moderately well for everything – may have “ticklish” spots when being groomed.	Sometimes requires chain or rope halter – stands fairly well but may do some wiggling around while being groomed and tacked up. Excitable in new situations.	Needs reinforcement such as chain shank or rope halter while being lead. Moderately sensitive for being groomed and tacked up.	Needs experiences professional on the ground. Requires reinforcement such as chain shank or rope halter. Has potential to rear and buck. Very nervous being tacked and groomed.
Around Others	Can go with any personality of horse. Very passive and laid back.	Mostly laid back and passive – does well with other easy-going horses.	Slightly bossy – needs some thought about which friends to go with.	Fairly high maintenance – needs very selective friends.	Cannot go with others.
Maintenance	Requires no additional maintenance currently. Easy keeper.	May require some additional maintenance to stay comfortable. No known lameness issues, but feed through joint supplement recommended.	Moderate maintenance recommended. May need annual injections.	Bi-annual to annual maintenance required to keep horse comfortable.	Maintenance needed 3-6 months. More information listed under horse information.