



# Long Distance Fitting Kit Instructions

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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:

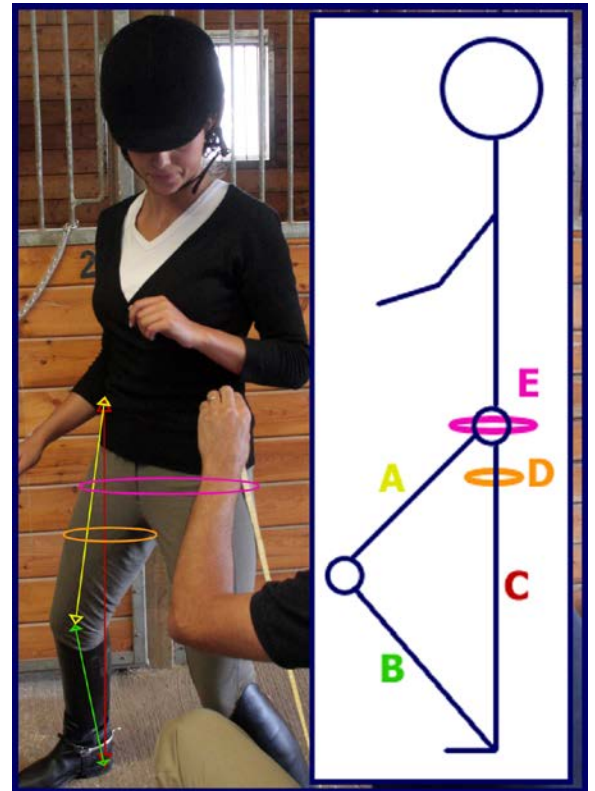
A: \_\_\_\_\_ in. (top of pelvis to kneecap)

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 the horse's Scapula (shoulder blade). See 1<sup>st</sup> diagram.

### Step 2:

Mould the flexi-curve to the shape of the withers being sure it fits snug on both sides. See 2<sup>nd</sup> 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:

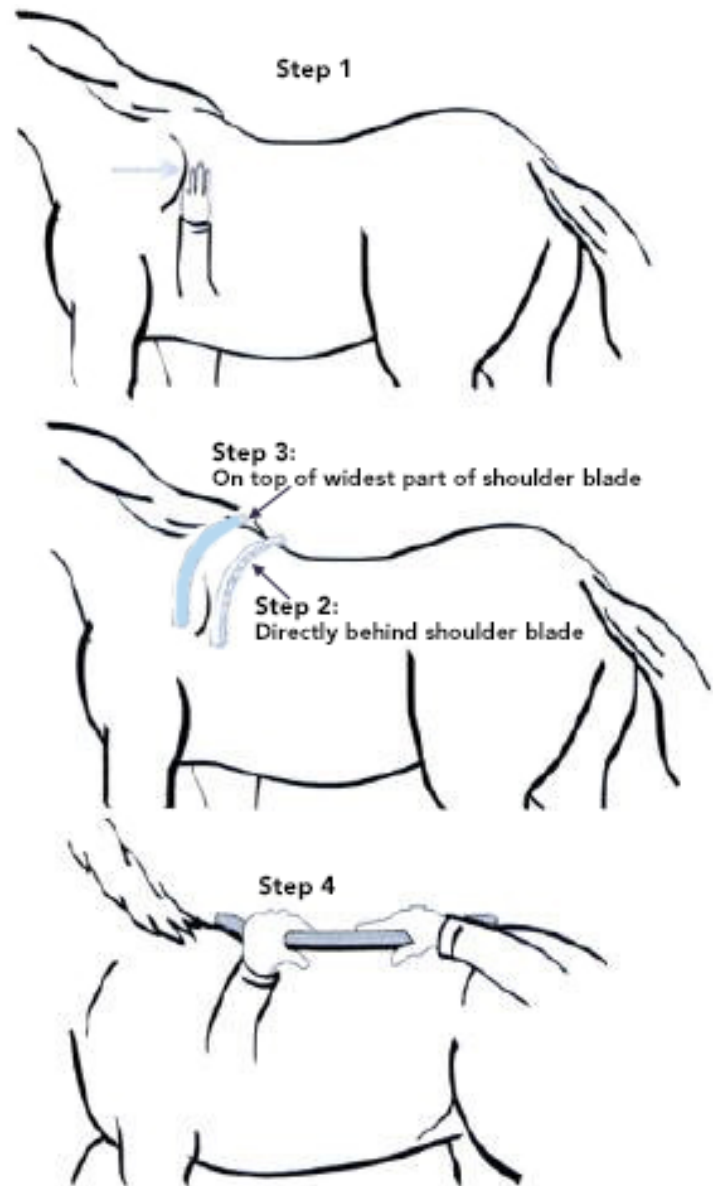
Same as step 2 except place flex curve over widest part of shoulder.

### Step 4:

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. Make sure the bubble is level. See Drawing 4. 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.

### Step 5:

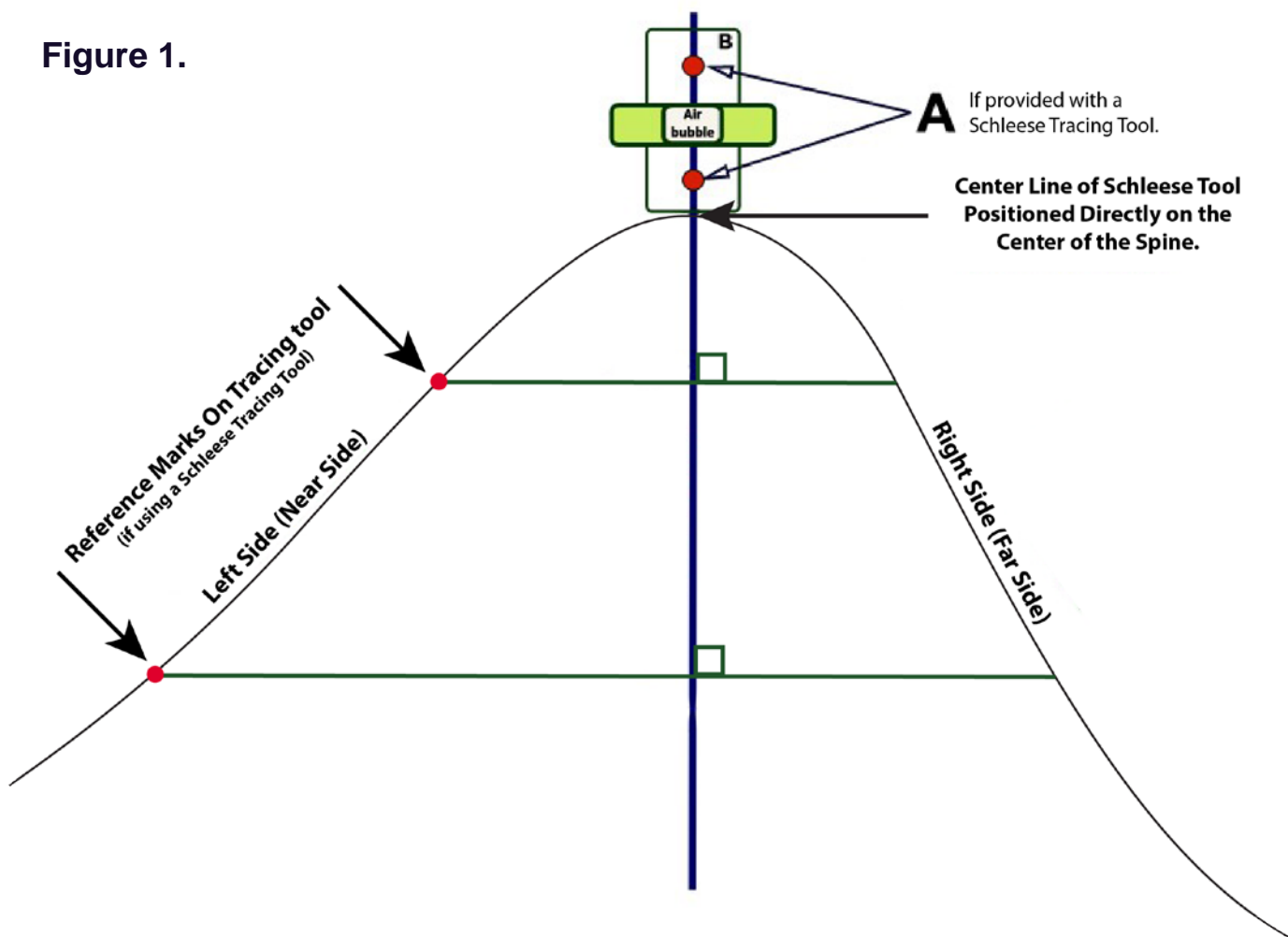
Measure the distance between Step 1 tracing and Step 2 tracing on the horse (widest part of the shoulder to behind the shoulder).



## 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, mark the location of the two white marks on the flex curve on the drawing.

**Figure 1.**

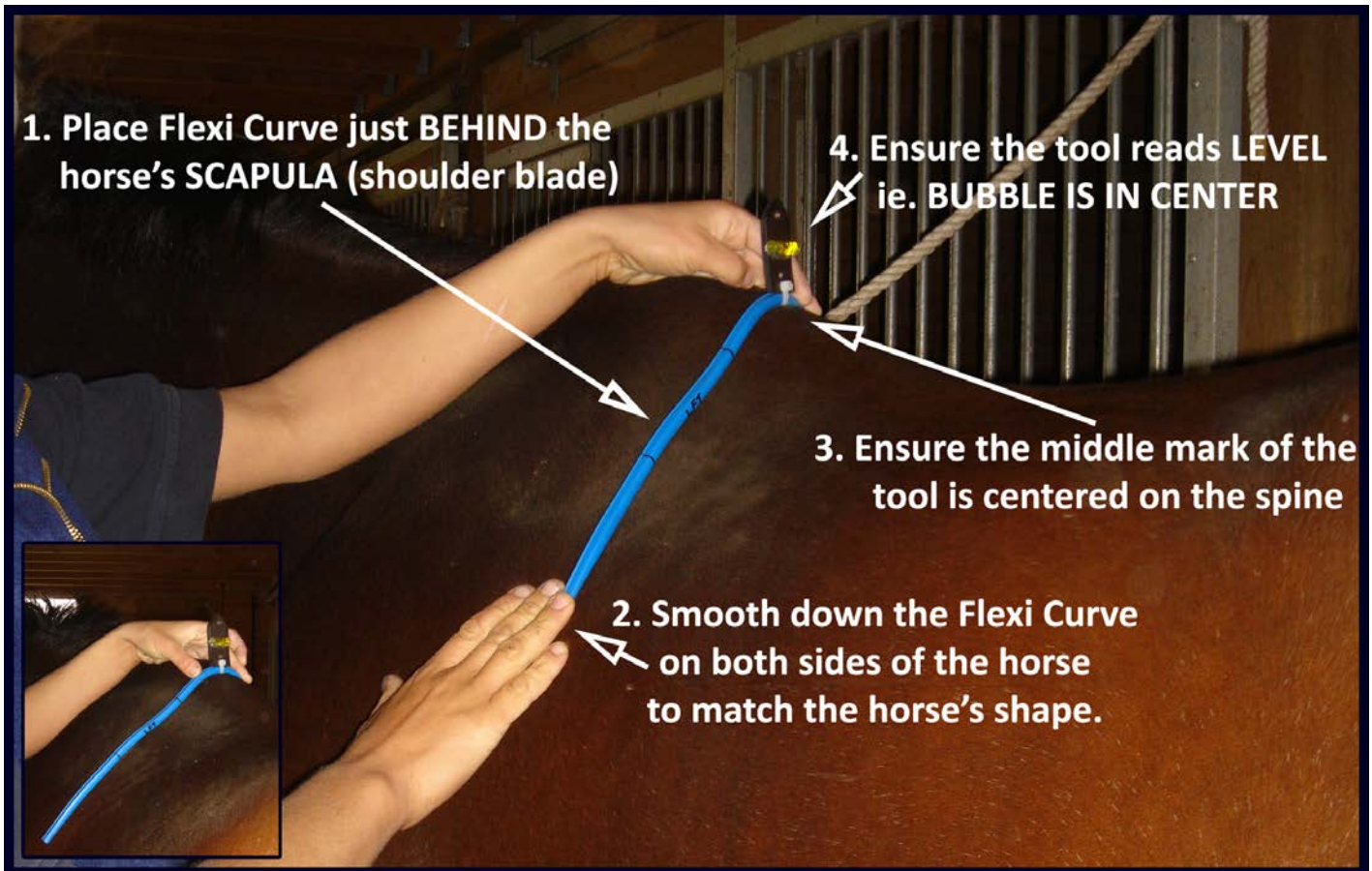


## **\*\* Measure Your Horse's Saddle Support Area**

Watch our 'How to Measure your Horse's Saddle Support Area' video on our website at <https://schleese.com/schleese-long-distance-fit-kit-instructions/> and fill in the measurement below.

Saddle Support Area: \_\_\_\_\_ inches.

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. **Near (Left) 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 over 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.**