



Body Condition Scoring

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- Visual reference points
 - Shoulder
 - Ribs
 - Short ribs
 - Hooks
 - Pins
 - Tail head
- Visual and hands-on
- Subjective – Best if done by same person

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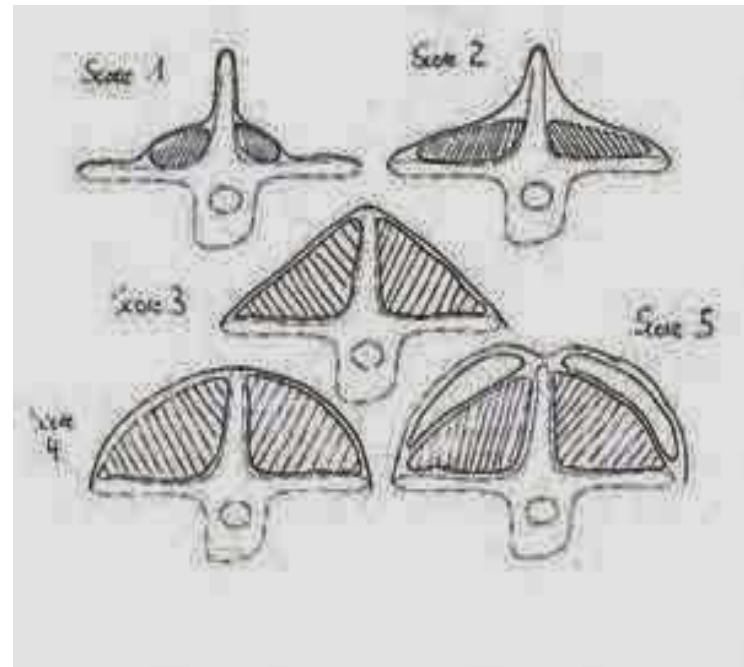
- Multiple Grading Scales
- Scale 1 – 5 + 1/4 's
 - Thin 1-2 - Can see all/most structures
 - Ideal 3-4 - Can't see ribs, short ribs rounded
 - Fat 5+ - Can't see anything, covered in fat



Animal fills out front to back

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- I prefer to use the lumbar region for BCS. I will visually evaluate area and palpate if I am able.



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Questions

