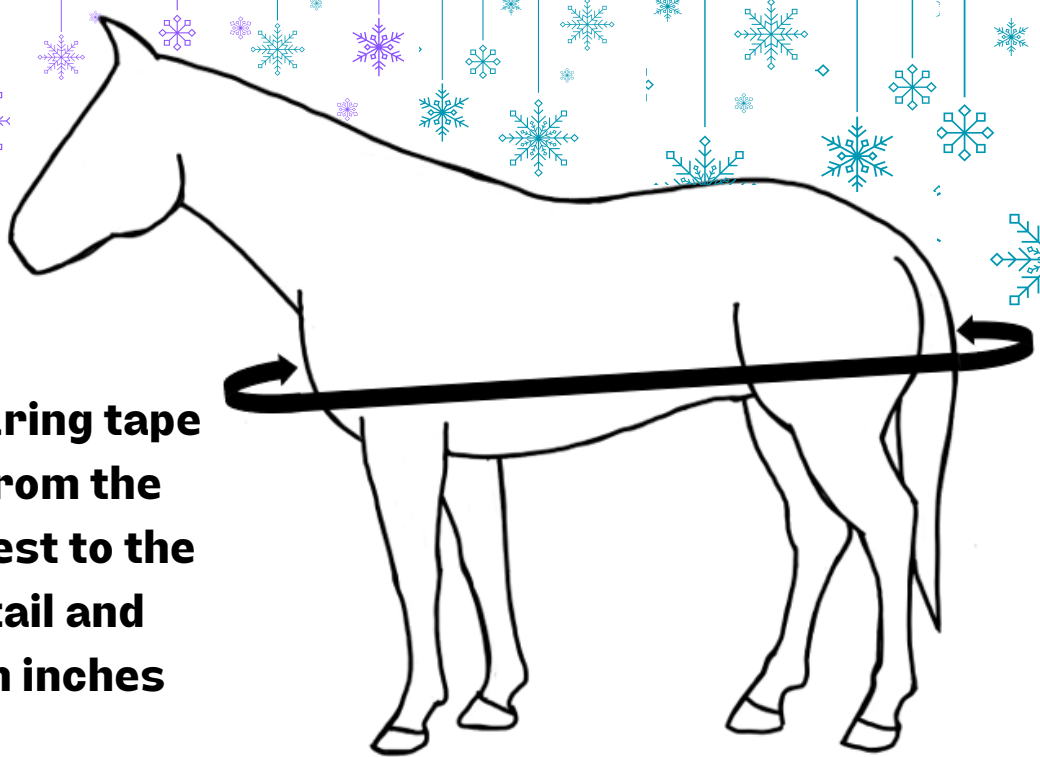


# FITTING A WINTER HORSE BLANKET

## Step 1: Measure the horse to buy the proper blanket size

Get a soft measuring tape and measure from the center of the chest to the middle of the tail and record length in inches



## Step 2: Evaluate blanket fit

### B. Withers

A cupped hand should fit between the withers and the blanket to prevent rubs

### C. Leg Straps

Hang above the hock and one hand's width should fit between the strap and the leg to prevent entanglement or chafing

### A. Shoulders

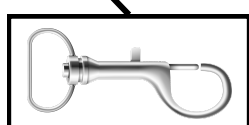
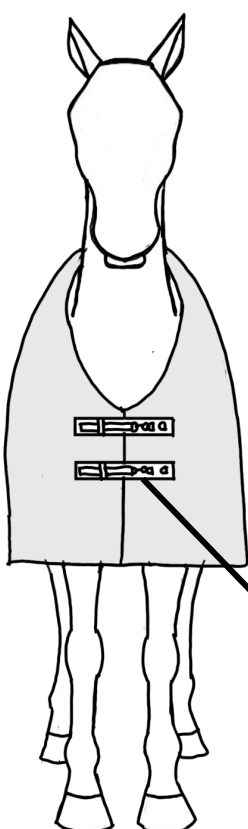
The blanket should be snug with room for a flat hand to pass underneath and the horse's head should be able to reach the ground without restriction in order to prevent rubs

### D. Depth

The blanket should cover the barrel but should not drop below the knee

### E. Surcingle/Belly Band

A hand's width should fit between the surcingle or belly band and the underside of the horse so a leg cannot get caught but the horse is free to move



Fasten chest buckles to ensure a snug fit that does not restrict movement

Attach clips with openings facing the horse to prevent them from getting caught on hay nets or other objects

Loop legs straps through one another to reduce the risk of chafing

