








5 Steps of Shoeing

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#	Step	Description	What happens	
1.	Preparation	Remove excess growth Foot is leveled, balanced, and prepared for new shoe	a. Rest hoof on the HOOF STAND. b. Use HOOF (DRAWING) KNIFE to clip out sole c. Use NIPPERS to clip off excess hoof wall. d. Use RASP to file down hoof e. Trim frog with HOOF (DRAWING) KNIFE	
2.	Forging	New shoe is made, or pre-made shoe is modified.	f. Shape shoes on the ANVIL.	
3.	Fitting	Fit of shoe is checked and adjusted if needed.	g. Check shoe fit against hoof. h. Check angle of hoof and compare to other hooves.	
4.	Nailing On	Shoe is nailed on. Nails must be driven into white line and curve to come out of the wall. Farrier can tell by the sound.	i. Use HAMMER and NAILS to affix shoe to hoof. j. Twist sharp point of nail off using the HAMMER. k. Tighten the NAILS. l. File under the nails with a RASP. m. Nails are bent-over to form "clenches".	
5.	Finishing	Clenches are flattened and made smooth. Edges of hoof are filed.	n. Flatten the clenches using CLINCHERS. o. Smooth clenches with a RASP. p. Smooth the hoof around shoe with a RASP.	

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C1 – Discuss the five steps in shoeing

Types of Horseshoes

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1.

Aluminum Full or Heel Bar

2.

Egg Bar

3.

Heart Bar

4.

With clips and flare

5.

Standard