

Horse:	Rider:
Event:	Date:
Judge Name:	JUDGE POSITION:

Purpose: To confirm that the horse demonstrates correct basics, while maintaining consistent uphill balance and self-carriage. Increased engagement facilitates clear differences in collected, medium, and extended paces with well-defined, balanced transitions. Movements should be accomplished with harmony and ease due to the increased balance and collection. The horse must demonstrate a greater degree of throughness, suppleness and bending than at Elementary Level

Introduces: Rein back to trot

Instructions: To be ridden in a snaffle or a double bridle. All trot sitting

TEST		DIRECTIVE IDEAS	Judges Marks (10)	Coefficient	Total	REMARKS
1	A X Enter in collected trot Halt, Salute Proceed in collected trot	Engagement, self carriage and quality of trot; Well defined transitions; straightness, attentiveness; immobility (min 3 secs)				
2	C HXF FK Track left Change rein, medium trot Collected trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; well defined transitions				
3	KE Shoulder-in right	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and self carriage				
4	EX XB Half circle right 10m Half circle left 10m	Shape and size of half circles; supple change of bend on centreline; engagement and self carriage				
5	BG C CM Half pass left Track right Collected trot	Alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and self carriage		2		
6	MXK KA Change rein, extended trot Collected trot	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame; elasticity; engagement, suspension; straightness and uphill balance				
7	(Transitions at M & K)	Well defined maintaining tempo and balance				
8	A AF Halt, rein back 4 steps Proceed in collected trot Collected trot	Immobility. Willing steps back with correct rhythm and count; straightness; well defined transitions		2		
9	FB Shoulder-in left	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and self carriage				
10	BX XE Half circle left 10m Half circle right 10m	Shape and size of half circles; supple change of bend on centreline; engagement and self carriage				
11	EG C Half pass right Track left	Alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and self carriage		2		
12	Between C & H H Between G & M Collect the stride and half pirouette left Proceed medium walk	Quality of shortened walk strides; tempo and regularity; activity of hind legs; bend and fluency in turn				
13	Between G & H M MR Collect the stride and half pirouette right Proceed in medium walk Turn right Medium walk	Quality of shortened walk strides; tempo and regularity; activity of hind legs; bend and fluency in turn				
14	(Medium walk) CHG(M)G(H)GMR	Regularity and quality of walk		2		
15	RV VK Change rein, extended walk Medium walk	Regularity; suppleness of back; activity; overtrack; freedom of shoulder; stretching to the bit; clear/well defined transitions		2		

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TEST			DIRECTIVE IDEAS	Judges Marks (10)	Coefficient	Total	REMARKS
16	Before K	Collect the stride in walk	Well defined transition; regularity and self carriage; engagement and quality of canter				
	K	Collected canter left lead					
	KF	Collected canter					
17	FX	Half pass left	Alignment and bend while moving fluently forward and sideways; engagement and self carriage		2		
	XI	Collected canter					
18	IS	Half circle left 10m	Shape and size of half circle; bend; clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying change; engagement and self carriage		2		
	SF	Change rein, flying change of lead near centreline					
	FK	Collected canter					
19	KX	Half pass right	Alignment and bend while moving fluently forward and sideways; engagement and self carriage		2		
	XI	Collected canter					
20	IR	Half circle right 10m	Shape and size of half circle; bend; clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying change; engagement and self carriage		2		
	RK	Change rein, flying change of lead near centreline					
	KF	Collected canter					
21	FM	Extended canter	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame; elasticity; engagement, suspension; straightness and uphill balance				
	MH	Collected canter					
22		(Transitions at F & M)	Well defined maintaining tempo and balance				
23	HE	Collected trot	Well defined, balanced, engaged transition; engagement and collection				
24	E	Turn left	Bend and balance in turns; engagement, self carriage and quality of trot; well defined transition; straightness, attentiveness; immobility (min 3 secs)				
	X	Turn left					
	G	Halt, Salute					

Leave arena in walk on a long rein at A

COLLECTIVE MARKS

Paces (freedom and regularity)				1		
Impulsion (desire to move forward, elasticity of the steps, relaxation of the back and engagement of the hindquarters)				1		
Submission (willing cooperation, harmony, attention and confidence; acceptance of bit and aids, straightness, lightness of the forehand and ease of movements)				2		
Rider's position and seat; correctness and effective use of the aids (Clarity, subtlety, independence, accuracy of test)				2		
TOTAL MARKS				390		
Course Errors (Cumulative)	1 st -2	2 nd -4 (= 6)	3 rd Elimination	Minus Total Course Errors		
Technical Faults- Minus 0.5%	Reason:			Minus Total Technical Faults		
FINAL MARK						
PERCENTAGE						
Judge Signature: _____						

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