

2015 USEF First Level Test 1

Purpose: To confirm that the horse demonstrates correct basics, and in addition to the requirements of Training Level, has developed the thrust to achieve improved balance and throughness and maintains a more consistent contact with the bit.

CONDITIONS:

Arena: Standard

Average Ride Time: 5:00

**(from entry at A to final halt)
Suggested to add at least 2 min.
for scheduling purposes**

**Maximum Possible Points:
270**

All trot work may be ridden sitting or rising, unless stated.

Introduce: 10m half circle at trot; 15m circle in canter; lengthening of stride in trot and canter.

READER PLEASE NOTE: Anything in parentheses should not be read.

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		TEST	DIRECTIVE IDEAS
1	A	Enter working trot	Regularity and quality of trot; willing, calm transitions; straight, attentive halt; immobile (min. 3 seconds)
	X	Halt, salute	
		Proceed working trot	
2	C	Track left	Bend and balance in turn and half circle; regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of half circle; straightness
	E-X	Half circle left 10m, returning to track at H	
3	B-X	Half circle right 10m, returning to track at M	Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of half circle; bend; balance; straightness
4 *	C	Circle left 20m rising trot, allowing the horse to stretch forward and downward	Forward and downward stretch over the back into a light contact, maintaining balance and quality of trot; bend; shape and size of circle; willing, calm transitions
	Before C	Shorten the reins	
	C	Working trot	
5	S-F	Change rein, lengthen stride in trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of trot; straightness; consistent tempo; willing, clear transitions
	F	Working trot	
6	A	Medium walk	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of walk
7 *	V-R	Change rein, free walk	Regularity and quality of walks; reach and ground cover of free walk allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward; straightness; willing, clear transitions
	R	Medium walk	
8 *	M	Working trot	Willing, calm transitions; regularity and quality of gaits; bend in corners
	C	Working canter left lead	

9	S-V	Lengthen stride in canter	Willing, clear transition; moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of canter; straightness; consistent tempo
10	V	Circle left 15m Develop working canter in first half of circle	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance
11	FXH	Change rein	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of gaits; straightness
	X	Working trot	
12	C	Working canter right lead	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of canter
13	R-P	Lengthen stride in canter	Willing, clear transition; moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of canter; straightness; consistent tempo
14	P	Circle right 15m Develop working canter in first half of circle	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance
15	A	Working trot	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of trot; straightness
16	V-M	Change rein, lengthen stride in trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of trot; straightness; consistent tempo; willing, clear transitions
	M	Working trot	
17	E	Half circle left 10m	Bend and balance in half circle; regularity and quality of trot, willing, calm transition; straight, attentive halt; immobile (min. 3 seconds)
	X	Down centerline	
	G	Halt, salute	
<i>Leave arena at A in free walk</i>			

*** Movements 4,7,8 have coefficients of 2**

