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Effective 1/1/2027

Arena size 60m x 20m Test Time 6.00 Minutes (from entry at A to final halt)
Suggested Draw Time – 8:00 minutes

ID NO	

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

Purpose: *To confirm that the horse demonstrates correct basics, and in addition to the requirements of Preliminary Level, has developed the thrust to achieve improved balance and throughness and maintains a willing and more consistent contact with the bit* with improved balance, bend and throughness. The horse is developing the ability to move sideways and shows sufficient thrust to perform lengthenings at trot and canter. Accuracy and correct geometry are required. The exercises should be performed with ease and harmony.
Introduces*: 10m circle at trot, change of lead through trot; counter canter*
Instructions*: To be ridden in a snaffle.* All trot sitting or rising unless stated otherwise

TEST			DIRECTIVE IDEAS	Judges Marks (10)	Coefficient	Total	REMARKS
1	A X	Enter in working trot Halt, Salute Proceed in working trot	Regularity and quality of trot; willing clear transitions; straightness, attentiveness; immobility (min 3 secs)				
2	C HXF FV	Track left Change rein, Lengthen stride in trot Working trot	Bend and balance in turns; moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of trot; willing, clear transitions; straightness; consistent tempo;				
3	VI	Leg yield right	Regularity and quality of trot, consistent tempo; alignment, balance and flow		2		
4	I I C	Circle left 10m Straight ahead Track right	Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of circle; bend; balance; straightness on centreline				
5	MXK KP	Lengthen stride in trot Working trot	Bend and balance in turn; moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of trot; willing, clear transitions; straightness; consistent tempo				
6	PI	Leg yield left	Regularity and quality of trot; consistent tempo; alignment; balance and flow		2		
7	I I C	Circle right 10m Straight ahead Track left	Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of circle; bend; balance; straightness on centreline				
8	HS	Medium walk	Willing, clear transition; regularity, quality, overtrack		2		
9	SP PF	Free walk Medium walk	Regularity and quality of walks; reach and ground cover with overtrack; free walk allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward; straightness; willing, calm transitions		2		
10	FA A	Working trot Working canter, right lead	Willing, calm transitions; regularity and quality of gaits; bend and balance in corners				
11	KXH HM	Slightly after K begin a single loop to X, returning to the track slightly before H, maintaining the lead Working canter	Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of loop; positioning; balance				

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12	MF FK	Lengthen stride in canter Working canter	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of canter; willing, clear transitions; straightness; consistent tempo				
13	KXM X	Change rein Change of lead through a few steps of trot.	Willing, clear transitions; regularity and quality of gaits; straightness		2		
14	HXK	Slightly after H begin a single loop to X, returning to the track slightly before K, maintaining the lead	Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of loop; positioning; balance		2		
15	FM M	Lengthen stride in canter Working canter	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of canter; willing, clear transitions; straightness; consistent tempo				
16	CE	Working trot	Willing, calm transitions; regularity and quality; bend and balance in corner				
17	E Before E EA	Circle left 20m rising trot, Allowing the horse to stretch forward and downward while maintaining contact Shorten the reins Working trot	Forward and downward stretch over the back into a light contact, maintaining balance and quality of trot; bend; shape and size of circle; retaking reins without resistance				
18	A X	Turn down centreline Halt, Salute	Regularity and quality of trot; willing, clear transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)				

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		
Harmony(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	**300**			

Course Errors (Cumulative)	1st -2	2nd - 4 (= 6)	3rd Elimination	**Minus Total Course Errors**	
Technical Faults - Minus 0.5%	**Reason:**			**Minus Total Technical Faults**	
FINAL MARK					
PERCENTAGE					

Judge Signature: _____

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