

BEGINNER DRESSAGE TEST

Done at the walk

Purpose: To allow beginner riders the opportunity to demonstrate their ability to navigate around the small arena. They must show accurate 20-meter circles and diagonal lines. They must enter and demonstrate a straight centerline. They should be able to halt close to a spot. (X) They must demonstrate a snappy salute. Optional: Riders may trot no more than 2 of the movements 4, 5, 6, & 7.

		Coefficient				
	TEST	DIRECTIVES	POINTS		TOTAL	REMARKS
1. A	Enter at walk. Proceed to X.	Straightness on centerline. Energy of the walk.				
2. X	Halt. Salute Move off toward C	Expressiveness of the salute. Straight halt. Move off prompt, straight.		2		
3. C	Turn right. Proceed down rail, M to B to F to A	Straight along the rail . Quality of corners. Steady walk. Energy of the walk.				
4. A	Circle Right 20 Meters at walk (or trot). At A go straight through corner to K	Shape and size of circle. Well formed corner at K.				
5. KXM	Walk (or trot) directly across the diagonal from K to M. Proceed through the corner to C.	Energy of the walk. Straightness of the diagonal line. Well formed corner at M				
6. C	Circle Left 20 Meters at walk (or trot). At C go straight ahead, through the corner to H	Shape and size of the circle. Well formed corner at H.				
7. HXF	Walk (or trot) directly across the diagonal from H to F. Proceed through the corner to A.	Energy of the walk. Straightness of the diagonal line. Well formed corner at F.				
8. A	Turn down the Centerline toward X and walk toward X.	Straightness on the Centerline. Energy of the walk.				
9. X	Halt, salute	Immobility. Snappy Salute.		2		
	Go straight ahead a few strides. Make a big turn toward the rail Left or Right and Walk out of the Arena at A					

Collective Marks

Gait (Walk) (Willingness to go, controllable energy)		1		
Riders Accuracy (Circles, corners, diagonals)		2		
Riders Attitude (Kind to horse, Having fun)		2		
Riders Position (Head up, Heals down, Reins held correctly)		2		

Subtotal _____
Errors _____
Total Points _____

CEDAR WIND FARM
2003
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In this test it is acceptable for the parent or instructor to be in the arena or to coach from the sides. It is intended to give the rider the opportunity to experience the arena and to learn to think in a mild testing environment on board their horse. The primary consideration must always be the safety of the rider.

Name of Competition

Date of Competition

Name and Number of Horse

Name of Rider

FINAL SCORE

Points

Percent

Name of Judge

Signature of Judge

Maximum Possible Points: 180