Horse Competency Test

Advanced Eq Over Fences

 Passed

 Retest

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Horse’s Name:

Coat Color: Sex: Obvious Markings:

Rider’s Name: Age: Rater’s Name:

4-H County: Rater’s Phone Number: \_\_\_\_

4-H Club: County: Date:

**Directions**: To pass this test, the 4-H member must pass for each section of the test. The test is progressive and must be given in order. The 4-H member must receive Met Expectation or higher on each part of the test. If Rider does not pass a part of this test, the test is over. Each requirement cannot be skipped or given in any other order.

**Excellent** If applied to specific maneuvers, they were consistently executed correctly and fluidly. If applied to an overall impression, it was correct/present during all parts of the test.

**Efficient** If applied to specific maneuvers, they were executed correctly most of the time and generally fluidly with minor flaws. If applied to an overall impression, it was present correctly and consistently throughout the test with minor lapses.

**Met expectations** If applied to specific maneuvers, they were executed correctly but may be better on one side than the other, or execution was inconsistent. It’s clear that the rider can apply the aids correctly. If applied to an overall impression, the basics are present, but elements may have been briefly incorrect or absent during the test. Rider may have needed prompting (not teaching!) from the rater.

**Not achieved** One or more of these is true to a greater or lesser degree:

Rider is unable to produce the maneuver in one or both directions. Aids are applied but ineffective at producing the desired maneuver. Horse repeatedly balks or misbehaves. Rider asks rater how to execute a maneuver.

Rater: Forms should be filled out the day of the test and submitted to the member’s extension office within a week.

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|  | **Score: Excellent, Efficient, Met expectations, Not yet proficient.** | **Rater’s Comments** |
| 1. Demonstrate control while maintaining a safe and balanced position at the walk, sitting trot, posting trot, and canter while maintaining a secure lower leg.
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| 1. Demonstrate control without stirrups at the: sitting trot, posting trot, and canter.
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| 1. Warm up circle to fences with reins short enough for control in the correct lead for approach.
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| 1. Warm up circle to fences with the correct lead on approach. This fence can be jumped as a cross rail.
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| 1. Canter a combination of two fences in a straight line with a distance of 46’9” to 47’ (3 strides) between fences. Fence height to be 2’3”-2’6” both fences set as verticals.
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| 1. Canter a combination of two fences on a diagonal line with a distance of 58’9” to 59’ (4 strides) between fences. Fence height to be 2’3-2’6” both fences set as verticals.
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| 1. Canter line vertical to oxer, fence height to be 2’3” – 2’6” with 4 strides between fences.
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| 1. Begin in the left lead over a 2’3”-2’6” vertical fence show a change of direction after the fence.
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| 1. Begin in the right lead over a 2’3”-2’6” vertical fence and show a change of direction after the fence.
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| 1. Demonstrate a balanced stop after last jump.
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| 1. Maintained a secure lower leg and jumping position throughout test.
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| 1. Demonstrated correct rein release over fences and rein length throughout the test.
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| 1. Equipment, dress and overall attitude.
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