

4-H English Equitation

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Scoring: 0-infinity, with 70 denoting an average performance. Each maneuver scored: +3 Excellent, +2 Very Good, +1 Good, 0 Average or Correct, -1 Poor, -2 Very Poor, -3 Extremely Poor.

Overall equitation, form, and effectiveness: scored from 0 to 5 with 0 to 2 Average, 3 Good, 4 Very Good, 5 Excellent.

Minor One (1) Point Penalties: Break of gait at the walk/trot or wrong lead up to 2 strides; Over or under turn 1/8 of designated turn; Over cueing with reins and/or legs; Reins too long/short or uneven; Failure of horse to stand still at end of pattern; Obviously looking for lead or diagonal; Incorrect diagonal for 2 or less strides; Tick or hit of cone.

Major Three (3) Point Penalties: Not performing the specific gait or not stopping within 10 feet (3 meters) of designated location; Incorrect lead or diagonal for more than 2 strides; Break of gait at the canter (except when correcting an incorrect lead); Break of gait at walk or Trot for more than 2 strides; Over or under turn from 1/8 to 1/4 turn

Severe Five (5) Point Penalties: Blatant disobedience including kicking, pawing, bucking, and rearing; Loss of stirrup or rein; Touching the horse or saddle; Spurring in front of the girth

Zero Scores (Eligible for placing but not above anyone receiving a score above zero): Off pattern; Wrong side of cone or knocking over cone; Failure to perform or achieve the specified gait, lead or diagonal; Over /under turn more than 1/4 turn

Disqualifications (should not be placed): Loss of control of the horse; Illegal Equipment or illegal use of hands on reins; Fall by horse or exhibitor (pg. 7, rules 40 and 41); Abuse of horse or schooling

FORM AND EFFECTIVENESS: Excellent (5) Very Good (4) Good (3) Average (0)

Tests the judge may include in patterns (care should be taken that requested maneuvers not exceed rider's ability)

Tests for Level I and Unrated Riders: Pick up reins; Back; Performance on rail; Figure 8 at a trot, demonstrating change of diagonals. At left diagonal, rider should be sitting in the saddle when the horse's left front leg is on the ground; at right diagonal, the rider should be sitting in the saddle when the horse's right front leg is on the ground. When circling clockwise, at a trot, the rider should be on the left diagonal, when circling counterclockwise, the rider should be on the right diagonal.

Tests for Level II Riders: Any of the above; Ride without irons at the walk and/or trot (no longer than 1 minute); Figure 8 at canter on the correct lead demonstrating a simple change of lead. (This is a change whereby the horse is brought to a walk or trot and restarted into a canter on the opposite lead). Figure 8 should be started in the center of the two circles so one change of lead is shown; Work at a collected walk, trot or canter, or extended gaits; Simple lead changes on a straight line; Sitting trot; Forehand turn 90° or 180°; Hindquarter turn 90° or 180°.

Tests for Level III Riders (Hunter Seat): Any of the above tests for English I and II riders; Ride without irons or drop and pick up irons; Figure 8 at canter on correct lead demonstrating a flying change of lead; Canter to hand gallop (in 2 point position), back to canter; Serpentine at posting trot showing diagonal changes; Serpentine at canter showing simple or flying change of lead; Demonstrate lengthening of frame and stride at walk, trot and/or canter; Leg yield right and left at the walk and/or sitting trot.

Tests for Level IV Riders (Hunter Seat): Any of tests above for English I, II, and Hunt Seat III riders; Shoulder in right and/or left at walk and/or trot; Leg yield right and/or left at canter across the diagonal; Serpentine at the trot showing diagonal changes with or without irons; Serpentine at the canter demonstrating flying lead changes; Serpentine at the canter, without a change of lead, beginning on the correct lead; Canter on the counter lead; Flying change of lead on a straight line.

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