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RIDING TEST EXPECTATIONS

Candidate should ride without lead line, demonstrating control, while maintaining a safe, basic balanced position at the walk and trot and should begin to develop the canter and jumping position. No need to canter over fences.

Level	Skill	Ready to Rate? (sign & date)	Notes
Riding on the Flat			
D-2	Ride on the flat using Riding Test Expectations.		
D-2	Mount and dismount independently (using mounting block if necessary).		
D-2	Shorten and lengthen reins at halt and walk.		
D-2	Perform balancing and suppling exercises for rider at walk and halt and discuss 1 or 2 reasons for doing this.		
D-2	Ride at the walk, performing simple turns and large circles.		
D-2	Ride without stirrups at the walk.		
D-2	Ride at the trot on correct diagonal, performing simple turns and large circles.		
D-2	Ride at the canter in an enclosed area in both directions and be aware of leads.		
D-2	Discuss performance with Examiner, indicating whether or not mount was on the correct lead.		
Riding Over Fences			
D-2	Ride over fences using Riding Test Expectations.		
D-2	Maintain jumping position at the trot on the flat and over ground poles.		
D-2	In an enclosed area, ride a simple stadium course of four to five obstacles not to exceed 18".		
D-2	Discuss with Examiner ways to improve ride.		
Riding in the Open			
D-2	Ride safely and considerately on public and private property, in a group, at the walk and trot.		
D-2	Ride with control, up and down hills, at the walk and trot.		
D-2	Jump simple and natural obstacles, not to exceed 18" (no ditches or banks).		
D-2	Discuss ways to control a mount in the open.		
D-2	Discuss performance with Examiners.		

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HORSE MANAGEMENT EXPECTATIONS

The candidate should be able to demonstrate simple skills, with assistance if necessary, and should understand the basic reasons for the everyday routines of caring for own mount.

Level	Skill	Ready to Rate? (sign & date)	Notes
Turnout/Tack			
D-2	Rider in safe and neat attire.		
D-2	Mount clean and neatly groomed, with feet picked out, showing farrier care.		
D-2	Tack safe and clean, with attention to stitching, girth, stirrups (properly adjusted by Examiner if necessary)		
D-2	Apply (with assistance of Examiner if needed) protective boots and bell boots, if appropriate, to mount's leg.		
Conditioning			
D-2	Know basic condition of own mount.		
D-2	Describe ways to know if a mount is properly cooled out.		
Nutrition			
D-2	Know 3-5 basic rules for feeding and explain feeding schedule of own mount.		
Stable Management			
D-2	Groom mount, pick out feet with assistance if needed.		
D-2	Name five grooming tools and explain how to use them.		
D-2	Tack up and untack independently.		
D-2	List three examples of unsafe equipment.		
D-2	Name three common stable vices.		
Pony Parts, Conformation and Lameness			
D-2	Name and locate any 15 parts of the mount.		
D-2	Name and describe six colors of mounts.		
D-2	Name and describe five markings of ponies.		
D-2	Name four horse or pony breeds.		
Travel Safety			
D-2	Know the basic rules for riding on public roads in your state.		

D-2	Name two ways you can help your mount be safe in a trailer.		
Record Book			
D-2	NOT APPLICABLE		
Health Care & Veterinary Knowledge			
D-2	Give two reasons to have your mount routinely checked by a veterinarian.		
Teaching			
D-2	NOT APPLICABLE		
Leading & Longeing			
D-2	Lead mount correctly in hand and while tacked up.		
D-2	Do walk-halt-walk transitions in hand.		
D-2	Lead mount in and out of stall safely, tie up in appropriate place with quick-release knot.		
Foot & Shoeing			
D-2	Know reasons for daily foot care.		
D-2	Give two reasons why the farrier regularly checks your mount.		
Bandaging			
D-2	Give two reasons why you would bandage a mount's legs.		