


Category of Progression Evaluation Form


Riding I

The purpose of this category is to focus on the beginning stages of mounted work under saddle.

Date: _____ Event: _____
 Class: _____
 Team #: _____ Horse: _____
 Handler: _____
 Name of Evaluator: _____

For each task, evaluators are encouraged to circle specific considerations and/or provide written comments for detailed feedback.

Tasks /Skills	Horse				Handler				Horse/Handler Rapport		
 Start mounted in a pen; Handler will have 3 mins for prep before start of eval	Standards of Measure								Standards of Measure		
	0 1 2 insecure, fearful resentful disregards request confrontational braced	3 4 5 shows some willingness somewhat braced horse needs support, but was respectful	6 7 8 secure willing responds to intent moves without brace	0 1 2 tentative aggressive unclear request awkward/ineffective biomechanics	3 4 5 comfortable assertive adequate biomechanics obvious application of pressure	6 7 8 confident/respectful clear request fluid biomechanics applies pressure through subtle direction/intent	0 1 2 horse controls space disconnected energies inharmonious	3 4 5 space uncontested inconsistent energy link tasks achieved with support	6 7 8 handler controls space working as one harmonious subtle and consistent energy link		
	Considerations			Task Score	Considerations			Task Score	Considerations		Task Score
A Lateral flexion while standing still, both sides	Handling of Request	Awareness to Handler	Biomechanics of Movement	Presentation of Request	Pressure Application	Biomechanics of Movement		Spatial Relationship	Energy Link		
B Yield backward with poll flexion Minimum of 8 steps	Handling of Request	Awareness to Handler	Biomechanics of Movement	Presentation of Request	Pressure Application	Biomechanics of Movement		Spatial Relationship	Energy Link		
C Move Off Through hind quarter yield, into a circle at walk	Handling of Request	Awareness to Handler	Biomechanics of Movement	Presentation of Request	Pressure Application	Biomechanics of Movement		Spatial Relationship	Energy Link		
D Track one direction (circle one) L or R Matching energy between horse and handler up and down through gaits as suggested by handler (no more than 3 loops at each gait): Walk, Trot, Canter, Trot, Walk; 2-rein stop with a min of 4 steps backup;	Handling of Request	Awareness to Handler	Biomechanics of Movement	Presentation of Request	Pressure Application	Biomechanics of Movement		Spatial Relationship	Energy Link		

Tasks /Skills	Horse				Handler				Horse/Handler Rapport							
 <p>Start mounted in a pen; Handler will have 3 mins for prep before start of eval</p>	Standards of Measure								Standards of Measure							
	0 1 2 insecure,fearful resentful disregards request confrontational braced	3 4 5 shows some willingness somewhat braced horse needs support, but was respectful	6 7 8 secure willing responds to intent moves without brace	0 1 2 tentative aggressive unclear request awkward/ineffective biomechanics	3 4 5 comfortable assertive adequate biomechanics obvious application of pressure	6 7 8 confident/respectful clear request fluid biomechanics applies pressure through subtle direction/intent	0 1 2 horse controls space disconnected energies inharmonious	3 4 5 space uncontested inconsistent energy link tasks achieved with support	6 7 8 handler controls space working as one harmonious subtle and consistent energy link	Standards of Measure						
	Considerations			Task Score	Considerations			Task Score	Considerations			Task Score				
E Change direction Thru front ¼ yield (i.e. turn on the haunch, front off reach)	Handling of Request	Awareness to Handler	Biomechanics of Movement		Presentation of Request	Pressure Application	Biomechanics of Movement		Spatial Relationship	Energy Link						
F Track other direction (circle one) L or R Matching energy between horse and handler up and down through gaits as suggested by handler (no more than 3 loops at each gait): Walk,Trot,Canter,Trot,Walk; 2-rein stop with a backup;	Handling of Request	Awareness to Handler	Biomechanics of Movement		Presentation of Request	Pressure Application	Biomechanics of Movement		Spatial Relationship	Energy Link						
G Change direction Thru front ¼ yield (i.e. turn on the haunch, front off reach) then Halt and Release	Handling of Request	Awareness to Handler	Biomechanics of Movement		Presentation of Request	Pressure Application	Biomechanics of Movement		Spatial Relationship	Energy Link						
H Ride out of pen through open gate	Handling of Request	Awareness to Handler	Biomechanics of Movement		Presentation of Request	Pressure Application	Biomechanics of Movement		Spatial Relationship	Energy Link						
I Execute simple pattern (circle the pattern used): 1 2 3 Pattern will be identified and provided day of meet	Handling of Request	Awareness to Handler	Biomechanics of Movement		Presentation of Request	Pressure Application	Biomechanics of Movement		Spatial Relationship	Energy Link						

Signature of Evaluator _____

Total Pts: _____

Max Pts: 216

% of Max: _____

(Total Pts divided by Max - 50%=108 pts 75%=162 pts)