



2019 NWA GAITED FIRST LEVEL TEST 1

PURPOSE

To confirm that the horse demonstrates correct basics, and in addition to the requirements of Training Level, has developed the thrust to achieve improved balance and throughness and maintains a more consistent contact with the bit.

READER PLEASE NOTE: Anything in parentheses should not be read.

INTRODUCE

10m half circle at flat walk;
15m circle in canter;
running walk;
lengthening of stride in canter

ENTRY NO:

Conditions:

ARENA SIZE: Standard
AVERAGE RIDE TIME: 5:30
(from entry at A to final halt)
Suggested to add at least 2 min. for scheduling purposes

MAXIMUM PTS: 290

TEST		DIRECTIVES	POINTS	COEFFICIENT	TOTAL	REMARKS
1	A X	Enter flat walk Halt, salute Proceed flat walk	Regularity and quality of flat walk; willing, clear transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)			
2	C E - X	Track left Half circle left 10m, returning to track at H	Regularity and quality of flat walk; shape and size of half circle; bend; balance; straightness			
3	B - X	Half circle right 10m, returning to track at M	Regularity and quality of flat walk; shape and size of half circle; bend; balance; straightness			
4	C Before C C	Circle left 20m in flat walk, allowing the horse to stretch forward and downward while maintaining contact Shorten the reins Flat walk	Forward and downward stretch over the back into a light contact, maintaining balance and quality of flat walk; bend; shape and size of circle; willing, clear transitions	2		
5	H - P P	Change rein, running walk Flat walk	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of running walk; straightness; consistent tempo; willing, clear transitions; bend and balance in corner			
6	A	Medium walk	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of walk; bend and balance in corner; straightness			
7	V - R R	Change rein, free walk Medium walk	Regularity and quality of walks; reach and ground cover of free walk allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward; straightness; willing, clear transitions	2		
8	M C	Flat walk Working canter left lead	Willing, clear transitions; regularity and quality of gaits; bend and balance in corner	2		
9	H - V	Lengthen stride in canter	Willing, clear transition; moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of canter; straightness; consistent tempo			
10	V	Circle left 15m Develop working canter in first half of circle	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance			
11	F - X - H X	Change rein Flat walk	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of gaits; bend and balance in corner; straightness			
12	C	Working canter right lead	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of canter; bend and balance in corner			
13	M - P	Lengthen stride in canter	Willing, clear transition; moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of canter; straightness; consistent tempo			
14	P	Circle right 15m Develop working canter first half of circle	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance			
15	A	Flat walk	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of flat walk; straightness; bend and balance in corner			
16	K - R R	Change rein, running walk Flat walk	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of running walk; straightness; consistent tempo; willing, clear transitions; bend and balance in corners			



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17	E X G	Half circle left 10m Down centerline Halt, salute	Bend and balance in half circle; regularity and quality of flatwalk, willing, clear transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)				
Leave arena at A in free walk							

COLLECTIVE MARKS							
GAITS (Freedom and regularity)				1			
IMPULSION (Desire to move forward; elasticity of the steps; suppleness of the back; engagement of the hindquarters)				2			
SUBMISSION (Willing cooperation; harmony; attention and confidence; acceptance of bit and aids; straightness; lightness of forehand and ease of movements)				2			
RIDER'S POSITION (Alignment; posture; stability; weight placement; following mechanics of the gaits)				1			
RIDER'S CORRECT AND EFFECTIVE USE OF AIDS (Clarity; subtlety; independence; accuracy of test)				1			
FURTHER REMARKS:							
To be deducted Errors of the course and omissions are penalized				1st Time = 2 points 2nd Time = 4 points 3rd Time = Elimination		SUBTOTAL:	
						ERRORS: (-)	
						TOTAL POINTS: (Max Points: 290)	

FINAL SCORE Maximum Pts: 290 Points _____ Percent _____	
Name of Rider	Name of Competition
Number and Name of Horse	Date of Competition
Name of Judge	Signature of Judge

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