

2023 USDF INTRODUCTORY LEVEL – TEST B

REQUIREMENTS:
 Free walk
 Medium walk
 Working trot rising
 20 meter circle
 Halt through walk

PURPOSE: To introduce the rider and/or horse to the sport of dressage, confirming that they are beginning to develop an understanding of correct dressage basics. The horse should be ridden freely forward in a steady tempo and clear rhythm, accepting contact with the bit. An understanding of test accuracy and geometry should be demonstrated.

NO.

		TEST	DIRECTIVE IDEAS	POINTS	COEF	TOTAL	REMARKS
1.	A	Enter working trot rising.	Regularity, quality of trot; willing, calm transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)				
	X	Halt through medium walk Salute - Proceed working trot rising					
2.	C	Track left, working trot rising	Regularity; bend and balance in turn and corner				
3.	E	Circle left 20 meters, working trot rising	Regularity; shape and size of circle; bend; balance				
4.	Between K & A	Medium walk	Willing, calm transition; regularity, quality				
5.	F-E	Free walk	Regularity, reach, and ground cover with overtrack of free walk allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward				
6.	E-H	Medium walk	Willing, calm transition; regularity, quality, overtrack				
7.	Between H & C	Working trot rising	Willing, calm transition; regularity of trot; bend and balance in corner				
8.	B	Circle right 20 meters, working trot rising	Regularity; shape and size of circle; bend; balance				
9.	A	Down centerline	Bend and balance in turn; straightness; regularity of trot; willing, calm transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)				
	X	Halt through medium walk, Salute					

Leave arena in free walk. Exit at A.

COLLECTIVE MARKS:

Gaits (freedom and regularity).			
Impulsion (desire to move forward with suppleness of the back and steady tempo).			
Submission (acceptance of steady contact, attention, and confidence).	2		
Rider's position (keeping in balance with horse).			
Rider's effectiveness of aids (correct bend and preparation of transitions).			
Geometry and accuracy (correct size and shape of circles and turns).			

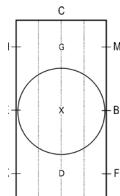
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SUBTOTAL _____
ERRORS (-) _____
TOTAL POINTS _____

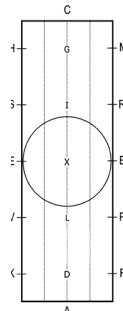
FURTHER REMARKS:

To be deducted
Errors of the course and omissions
are penalized 1st Time = 2 points
2nd Time = 4 points
3rd Time = Elimination

SMALL ARENA (20 meters x 40 meters)
movements 3, 8



LARGE ARENA (20 meters x 60 meters)
movements 3, 8



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UNITED STATES DRESSAGE FEDERATION™ 2023 INTRODUCTORY LEVEL – TEST B

WALK—TROT

B
USDF
INTRODUCTORY
LEVEL TEST

This unique series of tests provides an opportunity for the horse and/or rider new to dressage to demonstrate elementary skills. The tests have been designed to encourage correct performance and to prepare the horse for the transition to the USEF tests.

SUGGESTED SCHEDULING TIME

5:00 Standard Arena
4:00 Small Arena

(Possibly longer for schooling shows)

Name of Competition _____

Date _____

Class _____

Number and Name of Horse _____

Name of Rider _____

INSTRUCTION:

- All trot work to be ridden rising.
- Transitions from walk to trot and trot to walk may be performed through sitting trot with the objective of performing a smooth transition.

- Turns from centerline to long side and long side to centerline should be ridden as a half circle, touching the track at a point midway between the centerline and the corner, and vice versa.

COMMENT:

Horses should be ridden on a light but steady contact, with the exception of the free walk in which the horse is allowed complete freedom to stretch neck forward and downward.

MAXIMUM POSSIBLE POINTS: 160

FINAL SCORE

Points _____ Percent _____

Name of Judge/Position _____



Signature of Judge _____

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