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"C-1" OVER FENCES TEST SHEET

Candidate's name _____

Address _____

Name of Pony Club/Riding Center _____

District Commissioner/Center Administrator _____ Region _____

NOTE: Before beginning test, Examiners must read "Guidelines for Club/Center Certifications – D-1 through C-2" and the C-1 Standard of Proficiency (SOP), including "Information for D Candidates," "Testing Information," and "Examiners." Examiner must have copy of the SOP with them during test to include Grid and Jumping Exercises chart. Examiner comments must give specific reasons if a candidate does not pass any phase. Examiner may ask questions from previous Standard tests.

RIDING TEST EXPECTATIONS: Candidate should ride with confidence and control on the flat and over fences, demonstrating a basic balanced position and use of natural aids. The candidate should begin riding mount freely forward in balance and rhythm while developing a light contact.

WARM UP				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate mount's warm-up routine for everyday work. Discuss candidate's warm-up for both rider and mount with examiner. Discuss performance with the examiner. 	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>___ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ES	___DNMS	___MS
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe three artificial aids and their use 	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>___ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ES	___DNMS	___MS
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rider should show firm basic balanced position, using natural aids and control with a light feel of mount's mouth. 	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>___ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ES	___DNMS	___MS
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RIDING OVER FENCES				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ride over small gymnastic grid of three fences finishing with an ascending oxer set at, but not exceed, 2'9" set at appropriate distances for mount's stride. 	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>___ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ES	___DNMS	___MS
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KEY: ES = Exceeds Standard	M = Meets Standard	DNMS = Does Not Meet Standard
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ride over jump course of 6-8 obstacles; include a two-stride combination set at an appropriate distance for mount's stride. The majority of fences should be set at, but not exceed, 2'9". <i>(Grid distances and two-stride combination may be adjusted for individual mounts.)</i> 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>___ES ___DNMS ___MS</p> </div>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss performance with Examiner, including rhythm, tempo and balance and ways ride could be improved. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>___ES ___DNMS ___MS</p> </div>
<p>RIDING IN THE OPEN</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ride safely with control in a group, on a suitable mount, at the walk, trot, and canter over varied terrain, through shallow water and small ditches as occur in natural terrain when available. C-1 speed should not exceed 325 meters per minute to 350 meters per minute. Discuss and demonstrate riding safely over varied terrain, incorporating as many of the following elements as local conditions allow: hills, small/shallow ditches, low banks, flat open areas and shallow streams. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>___ES ___DNMS ___MS</p> </div>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ride over five to seven cross-country obstacles at appropriate speed (240-350 meters per minute). The majority of fences should be set at, but not exceed, 2'9". 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>___ES ___DNMS ___MS</p> </div>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss performance with Examiner giving reasons for any disobediences. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>___ES ___DNMS ___MS</p> </div>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rider shows firm basic balanced position while riding with control. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>___ES ___DNMS ___MS</p> </div>

COMMENTS (General impressions, suggestions for improvement):

ES _____ MS _____ DNMS _____ SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Sections requiring retesting: (up to total of two)

A candidate may be re tested as follows:

- This test has a total of 10 sections.
• Retest to cover not more than two sections of the test.
• Retest must take place within one month and must be completed in one day.
• Failure of any section on that day will require retaking entire test.
• Retest must be recommended by original Examiner.

ES _____ MS _____ DNMS _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

(Examiner for portions retested)