

THE UNITED STATES PONY CLUBS, Inc.

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"D-1" 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 D-1 Standard of Proficiency (SOP), including "Information for Candidates," "Testing Information," and "Examiners." Examiner must have copy of the SOP with them during test to include Grid and Jumping Exercises chart. Comments must give specific reasons if a candidate does not pass any phase.

RIDING TEST EXPECTATIONS: *Candidate should ride in an enclosed area without lead line, demonstrating basic balanced position at the halt and walk, and control at the walk and trot.*

HORSE MANAGEMENT EXPECTATIONS: *The candidate is a beginning-level horse manager, willing to learn the simple routine necessary for safe handling of quiet, well-trained horses. His or her knowledge will vary widely depending on age, educational level, and experience.*

TURN OUT

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rider is to be in safe and neat attire, in accordance with the SOP. Mount neatly brushed; feet picked out (with assistance) and showing farrier care. Tack safe and neat (properly adjusted, with assistance if necessary) 		<table border="1"> <tr> <td>___ ES</td> <td>___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ MS</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS	
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RIDING ON THE FLAT

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mount and dismount, with assistance if necessary. 		<table border="1"> <tr> <td>___ ES</td> <td>___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ MS</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pick up and hold reins correctly at the halt. 		<table border="1"> <tr> <td>___ ES</td> <td>___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ MS</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shorten and lengthen reins correctly at the halt. 		<table border="1"> <tr> <td>___ ES</td> <td>___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ MS</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate basic correct position at the halt and walk. 		<table border="1"> <tr> <td>___ ES</td> <td>___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ MS</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drop and pick-up stirrups with feet while mounted at a halt. 		<table border="1"> <tr> <td>___ ES</td> <td>___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___ MS</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS	
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KEY: ES = Exceeds Standard

M = Meets Standard

DNMS = Does Not Meet Standard

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ride at the walk and trot, with control, keeping mount on rail. • Demonstrate simple change of direction at the walk and trot. • Perform gradual transitions from walk to trot and walk to halt. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; float: right;"> ____ES ____DNMS ____MS </div>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rider should demonstrate basic balanced position at the walk. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; float: right;"> ____ES ____DNMS ____MS </div>
<p>RIDING OVER FENCES</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk over poles on the ground in jumping position. • Discuss with Examiner the reason for different positions when riding on the flat and over fences. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; float: right;"> ____ES ____DNMS ____MS </div>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rider should ride over poles demonstrating basic balanced position. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; float: right;"> ____ES ____DNMS ____MS </div>
<p>CONDITIONING</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know one reason for cooling out mount after exercise. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; float: right;"> ____ES ____DNMS ____MS </div>
<p>NUTRITION</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know how to give water, grain, hay, and tidbit to a mount safely. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; float: right;"> ____ES ____DNMS ____MS </div>
<p>STABLE MANAGEMENT</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Groom mount with brush and curry comb, pick out feet, with assistance. • Tack up and untack mount, with assistance. • Name 10 parts of saddle and bridle (any). • Know two reasons for cleaning tack. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; float: right;"> ____ES ____DNMS ____MS </div>
<p>BREEDS, PARTS OF MOUNT, CONFORMATION & LAMENESS</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name any 10 parts of the mount (such as mane, tail, leg, eye, etc.). • Know color and breed of own mount. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; float: right;"> ____ES ____DNMS ____MS </div>
<p>TRAVEL SAFETY</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know basic rules of safe riding in a group, in an enclosed area. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; float: right;"> ____ES ____DNMS ____MS </div>

RECORD BOOK

- Bring a stall card for own mount to show examiner.

____ES
____DNMS
____MS

HEALTH CARE & VETERINARY KNOWLEDGE

- Discuss what a veterinarian is.
- Give one reason a vet might treat your mount.

____ES
____DNMS
____MS

LAND CONSERVATION

- Verbally list three different places in your area where horse activities take place. Include where you have your Pony Club mounted meetings.

____ES
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____MS

LEADING & LONGEING

- Approach mount safely, put on halter, lead and turn correctly and safely.

____ES
____DNMS
____MS

FOOT & SHOEING

- Give one reason to pick out hooves.
- Tell whether your mount wears shoes or not.

____ES
____DNMS
____MS

COMMENTS (General impressions, suggestions for improvement):

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

Sections requiring retesting:
(up to total of five; not more than two riding)

A candidate may be re tested as follows:

- This test has a total of 20 sections.
- Retest to cover *not more than* five sections of the test (not more than two riding sections).
- 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)