



The United States Pony Clubs, Inc.



D-2 HUNTER SEAT EQUITATION TEST SHEET

Candidate's Name _____ 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 Level 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. Examiner comments must give specific reasons if a candidate does not pass any phase.

RIDING EXPECTATIONS: Candidate should ride in a hunter seat equitation position in an enclosed area demonstrating control at the walk and trot, and should begin to develop the canter and 2-point position. No need to canter over fences. Fences 18". These Expectations are applied to each block of the test.

<p>RIDING ON THE FLAT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mount and dismount independently (using mounting block if necessary). Shorten and lengthen reins at walk. Perform balancing and suppling exercises for rider at halt and walk and discuss 2 reasons for exercises. 		<p>___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ride at the walk, performing simple turns and large circles. 		<p>___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ride at the trot on correct diagonal, performing simple turns, large circles, and an awareness of correct bend. Ride without stirrups at the sitting trot. 		<p>___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ride at the canter in both directions in an enclosed area and be aware of leads. 		<p>___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss performance to include rider's position and demonstration of correct diagonals and leads. Discuss how to pass others safely while riding in an enclosed area. 		<p>___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS</p>

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MS = Meets Standard

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<p>RIDING OVER FENCES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain 2-point (jumping) position at the trot on the flat and over 3 trot poles (cavaletti). 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; float: right;"> <p>___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS</p> </div>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In an enclosed area, ride a simple jumping course of 6-8 obstacles of cross rails and verticals to include 1 change of direction with the majority of fences set at, but not exceeding 18". 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; float: right;"> <p>___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS</p> </div>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss ways to improve ride. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; float: right;"> <p>___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS</p> </div>
<p>RIDING IN THE OPEN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ride safely and considerately at the walk outside the ring. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; float: right;"> <p>___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS</p> </div>

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COMMENTS (General impressions, suggestions for improvement):

Examiner sign here: _____ DATE: _____

ES _____ MS _____ DNMS _____ PRINT EXAMINER NAME: _____

Sections requiring retesting: (up to total of two)

A candidate may be re-tested as follows:

- Retest to cover not more than two sections of the test.
- A candidate may retest only if the candidate qualifies for a retest by passing the minimum number of sections stated on the test sheet.
- Failure of any section on that day will require retaking the entire test.
- Those testing during the current year have until December 1st of the following year to retest. Candidates must arrange for retests through their DC/CA.

ES _____ MS _____ DNMS _____

Retest Examiner SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____



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