2023 NWHA GAITED THIRD LEVEL TEST 1

PURPOSE

To confirm that the horse demonstrates correct basics, while maintaining consistent uphill balance and self-carriage. Increased engagement facilitates clear differences in collected, medium, and extended gaits with well-defined, balanced transitions. Movements should be accomplished with harmony and ease due to the increased balance and collection. The horse must demonstrate a greater degree of throughness, suppleness, straightness and bending.

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

INTRODUCE

Extended gaits; half pass at flatwalk; single flying change

ENTRY NO:

ARENA SIZE: Standard AVERAGE RIDE TIME: 6:00 (from entry at A to final halt) *Double Bridle Optional*

Suggested to add at least 2 min. for scheduling purposes

MAXIMUM PTS: 370

1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7.	A X C S-V V-L L-H R-P P-L L-M H-X-F F A	Enter flatwalk Halt, salute Proceed flatwalk Track left Shoulder-in left Half circle left 10m Half pass left Shoulder-in right Half circle right 10m Half pass right Running walk Flatwalk Halt, rein back 4 steps	Engagement, self-carriage and quality of flatwalk; well defined transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds) Angle, bend and balance; engagement and self-carriage Shape and size of half circle; alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and self-carriage Angle, bend and balance; engagement and self-carriage Shape and size of half circle; alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and self-carriage Shape and size of half circle; alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and self-carriage Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; well defined transitions	2	
3. 4. 5.	S-V V-L L-H R-P P-L L-M H-X-F F	Shoulder-in left Half circle left 10m Half pass left Shoulder-in right Half circle right 10m Half pass right Running walk Flatwalk Halt, rein back 4 steps	and self-carriage Shape and size of half circle; alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and self-carriage Angle, bend and balance; engagement and self-carriage Shape and size of half circle; alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and self-carriage Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent		
4.5.6.	P-L L-M H-X-F F	Half pass left Shoulder-in right Half circle right 10m Half pass right Running walk Flatwalk Halt, rein back 4 steps	bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and self-carriage Angle, bend and balance; engagement and self-carriage Shape and size of half circle; alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and self-carriage Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent		
5.	P-L L-M H-X-F F	Half circle right 10m Half pass right Running walk Flatwalk Halt, rein back 4 steps	and self-carriage Shape and size of half circle; alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and self-carriage Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent	2	
6.	H-X-F F	Half pass right Running walk Flatwalk Halt, rein back 4 steps	bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and self-carriage Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent	2	
6.	F A	Flatwalk Halt, rein back 4 steps	with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent		
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	I/ D	Proceed medium walk	Immobility, willing steps back with correct rhythm and count; straightness; clear transitions	2	
8.	K-R R	Change rein, extended walk Medium walk	Regularity; suppleness of back; activity; overtrack; freedom of shoulder; stretching to the bit; clear transitions	2	
7.	M Between G & H	Turn left Collect and half turn on haunches left Proceed medium walk	Activity and quality of the preparation and execution, bend, balance, tempo, regularity, and fluency		
	Between G & M H	Collect and half turn on haunches right Proceed medium walk Track right	Activity and quality of the preparation and execution, bend, balance, tempo, regularity, and fluency		
11.		(Medium walk) [RMG(H)G(M)GHC]	Regularity, quality, overtrack	2	
12.	С	Collected canter right lead	Well defined transition; regularity and self- carriage; engagement and quality of canter		
13.	M-F F	Medium canter Collected canter	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; well defined transitions		
14.	٧	Circle right 10m	Shape and size of circle; bend; engagement and self-carriage		
15.	V-R	Change rein, flying change of lead between centerline and R	Clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying change; engagement and self-carriage	2	
16.	H-K K	Extended canter Collected canter	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame; elasticity; engagement; suspension; straightness and uphill balance		
17.	K-A-P	(Transitions H and K) Collected canter	Well defined maintaining tempo and balance		
18.	Р	Circle left 10m	Shape and size of circle; bend; engagement and self-carriage		
19.	P-S	Change rein, flying change of lead between centerline and S	Clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying change; engagement and self-carriage	2	
20.	С	Flatwalk	Well defined, balanced transition; engagement and collection		
21.	M-X-K K	Running Walk Flatwalk	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame; elasticity; engagement; suspension; straightness and uphill balance		
22.	K-A	(Transitions M and K) Flatwalk	Well defined maintaining tempo and balance		
23.	A X	Down centerline Halt, salute	Bend and balance in turn; engagement, self-carriage and quality of flatwalk; well defined transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)		

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COLLECTIVE MARKS						
GAITS (Freedom and regularity)			1			
IMPULSION (Desire to move forward; elasticity of the ste back; engagement of the hindquarters)		2				
SUBMISSION (Willing cooperation; harmony; attention at of bit and aids; straightness; lightness of forehand an		2				
RIDER'S POSITION AND SEAT (Alignment; posture; stabil following mechanics of the gaits)		1				
RIDER'S CORRECT AND EFFECTIVE USE OF AIDS (Clarity; subtlety; independence; accuracy of test)		1				
FURTHER REMARKS:						
	SUBTOTAL:					
To be deducted Errors of the course and	1st Time = 2 points 2nd Time = 4 points			ERRORS:	(-)
omissions are penalized	3rd Time = Elimination			TOTAL POINTS: (Max Points: 370)		

Name of Competition

Date of Competition

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Name and Number of Horse

Name of Rider

Final Score

Maximum Pts: 370

Points

Name of Judge

Signature of Judge

Score Sheet effective date: December 1, 2022 - November 30, 2026