

2025 IEA NOVICE RIDER TEST

ENTRY #: _____

Purpose: To confirm that the rider sits in the correct posture, alignment, and shows correct mechanics in the walk and rising trot. The seat is sufficiently independent for the rider to maintain a steady, elastic rein contact. The rider encourages the horse to move freely forward in a steady tempo and clear rhythm. An understanding of test accuracy and geometry should be demonstrated. Transitions to the halt may be performed through the walk.

Suggested Test Timing
 Small Arena: 3:00
 Standard Arena: 5:00



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

TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS: 210

		TEST	DIRECTIVE	Score	Coefficient	Total	REMARKS
1.	A	Enter working Trot rising	Rider encourages steady elastic rein contact and straightness on centerline				
2.	C	Track left	Rider maintains balance through the turn				
3.	E	Circle left 20m	Rider demonstrates correct geometry of 20m circle while maintaining posture and balance		2		
4.	A	Medium walk	Rider maintains balanced position through transition with steady elastic rein contact				
5.	F - E	Free walk	Rider softens contact allowing the horse to stretch forward and downward on a lengthened stride		2		
6.	E - H	Medium walk	Rider encourages horse's balance through the transition while maintaining their own posture and balance				
7.	C	Working trot rising	Rider shows correct mechanics in rising trot with steady elastic rein contact				
8.	B	Circle right 20m	Rider demonstrates correct geometry of 20m circle while maintaining posture and balance		2		
9.	A	Down centerline	Rider maintains balance through the turn and straightness on centerline				
10.	X	Halt, salute	Rider encourages a smooth balanced halt (Immobility min of 3 seconds)				

Collective Marks	Score	Coefficient	Total	REMARKS
<u>Rider's Position:</u> Rider's ear, shoulder, hip, and heel are aligned vertically when sitting at all gaits. Rider's trunk is slightly in front of the vertical in rising trot. When seen from front or behind, the rider is straight and symmetrical with even shoulders, hips, and stirrups. Rider sits in harmony with the mechanics of each gait. Rider's hands maintain a steady, elastic contact with the horse's mouth.		2		
<u>Rider's Correct and Effective use of the Aids:</u> Rider prepares and asks for each movement using subtle, tactful, and effective aids. Rider maintains straightness on straight lines as well as appropriate bend through turns and circles. Rider demonstrates correct use of natural and artificial aids.		2		
<u>Rider's Accuracy of the Exercises:</u> Geometry and accuracy of movements is correct in terms of size, shape, and position in the arena. Circles and half circles are round, correct diameter, and originate and terminate at the correct place. Corners are performed as one quarter of a 10 meter circle.		2		
<u>Rider's Adaptability to Random Horse Draw:</u> Rider demonstrates a tactful and harmonious test. Rider appears calm, focused, and confident. Rider exhibits level appropriate suitability and effectiveness.		2		

FURTHER REMARKS:

SUBTOTAL _____
ERRORS (-) _____
TOTAL POINTS _____

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

Show: _____

Class: _____

Rider Name: _____

Rider# _____ Date: _____

SCORE - Max Points: 210

Points: _____ Percent: _____

Judges Name

Judges Signature

