



MQHA Thanksgiving Classic
October 9-12, 2026

PATTERN BOOK

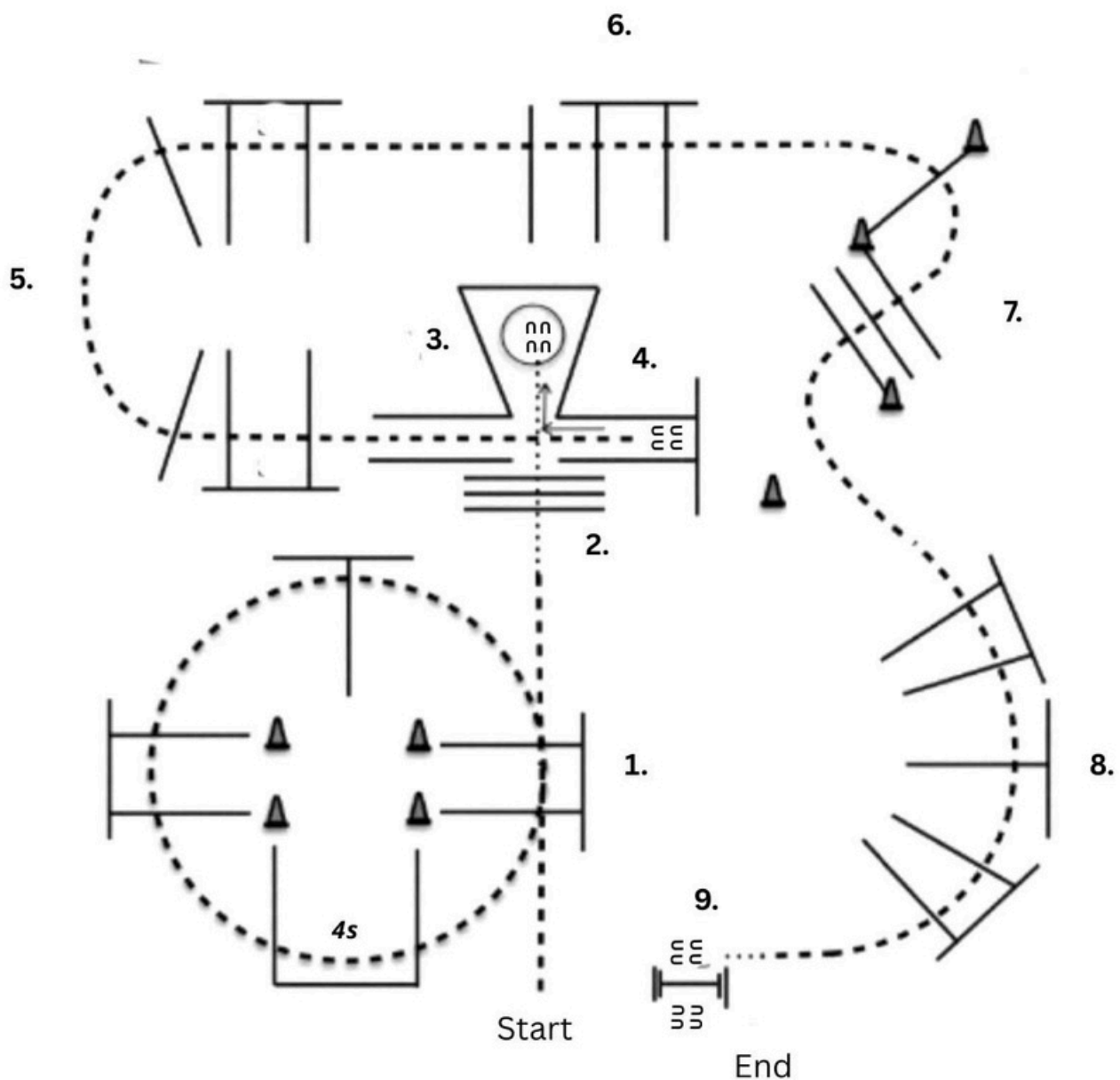
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Trail

Friday Oct 9th

Walk-Trot



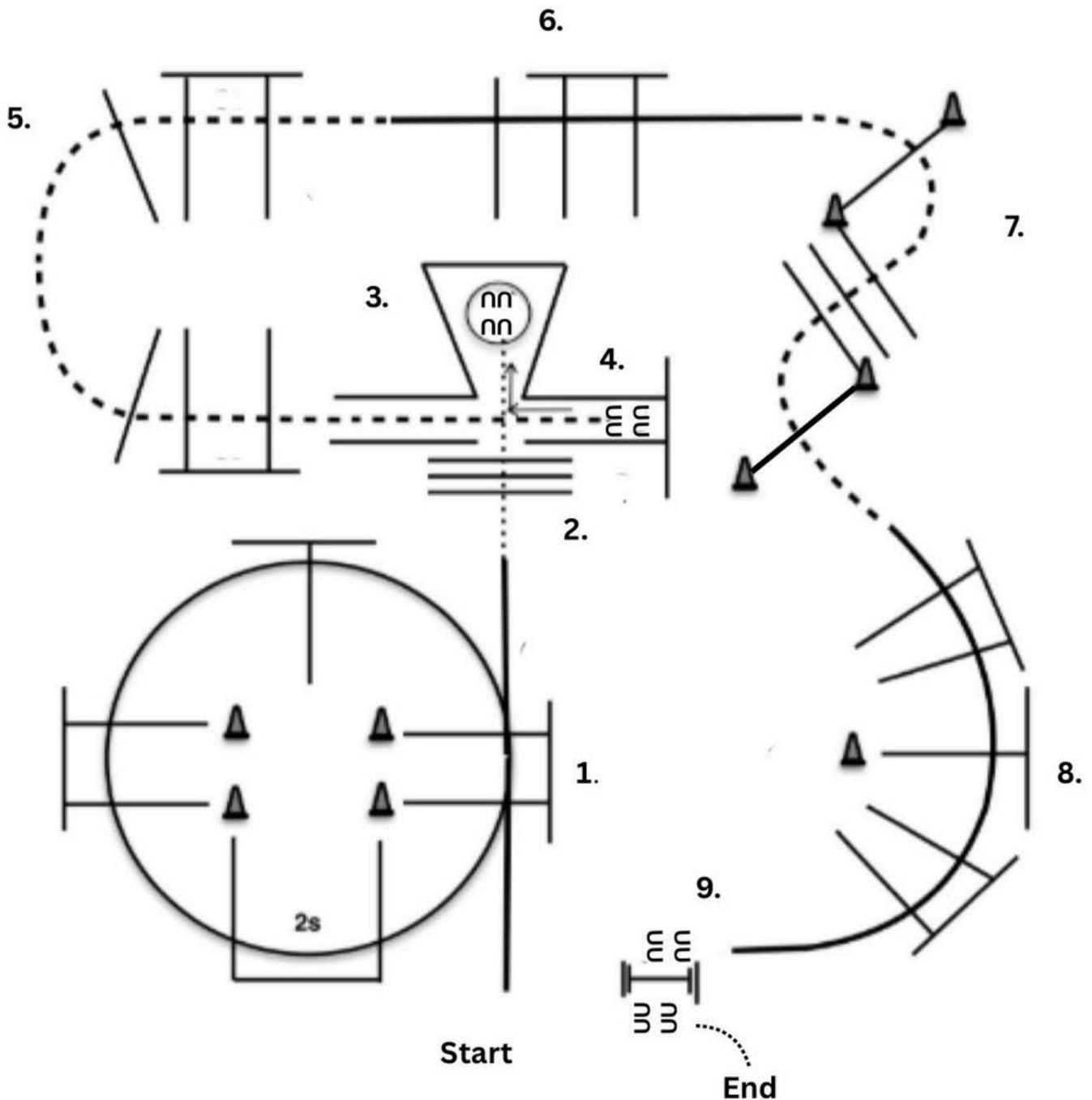
1. Jog over poles
2. Stop or break to a walk. Walk over poles into box
3. Execute 360 degree turn either direction
4. Back around and into the Chute
5. Jog out of the Chute over poles
6. Jog over poles
7. Jog over poles
8. Jog over poles up to the Gate
9. Work Left-Hand Gate. and Exit to end pattern

Walk	
Jog	-----
Lope	————

Trail

Friday Oct 9th

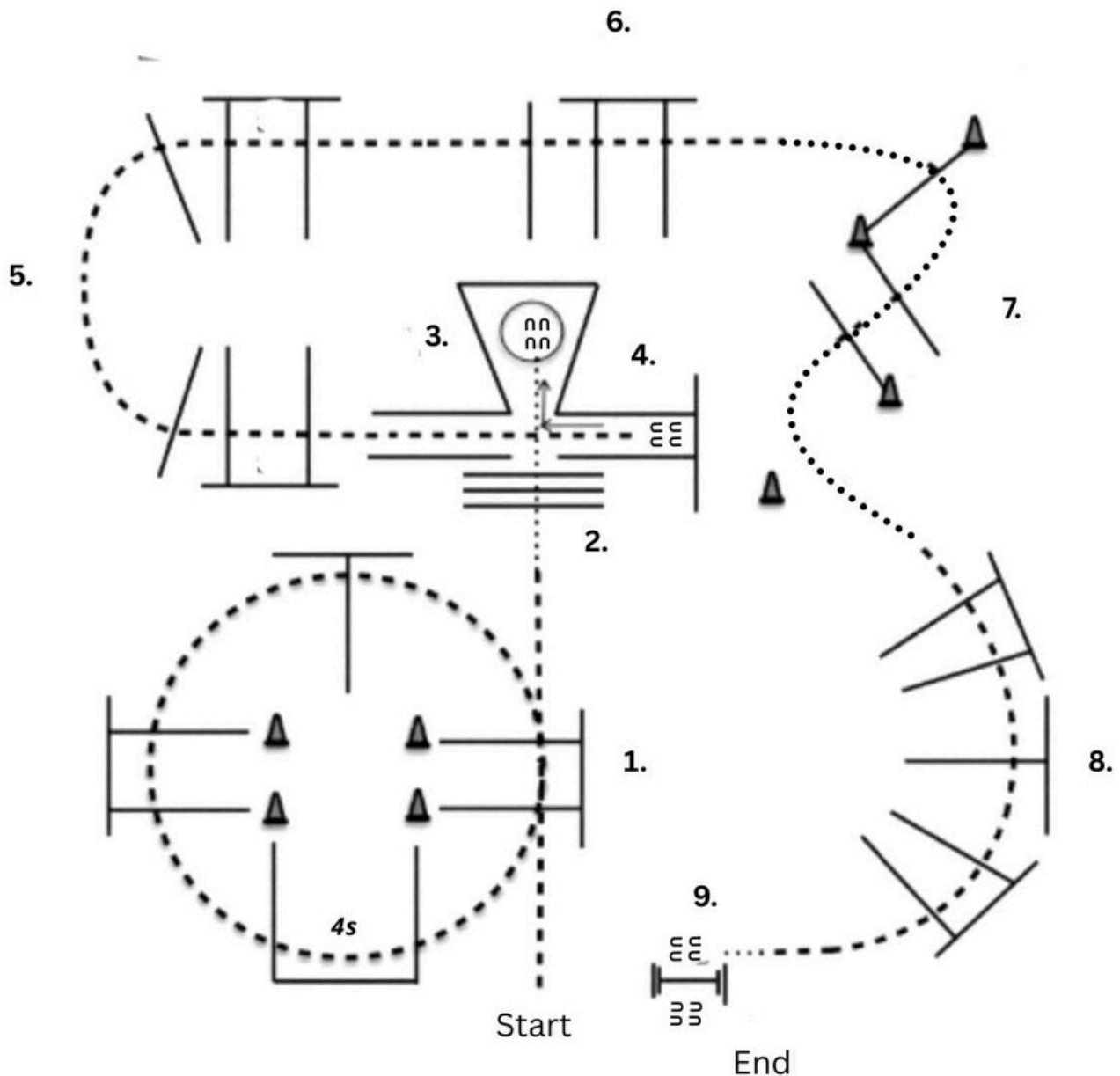
All Trail (not W/T or In-Hand)



1. Left Lead Lope over poles
2. Stop or break to a walk. Walk over poles into Box
3. Execute 360 degree turn either direction
4. Back around and into Chute
5. Jog out of Chute and over poles
6. Right Lead Lope over poles
7. Break to Jog. Jog over poles
8. Right Lead Lope over poles. up to Gate
9. Work Left Handed Gate. walk out to end pattern.

Trail

Friday Oct 9th
In-Hand classes

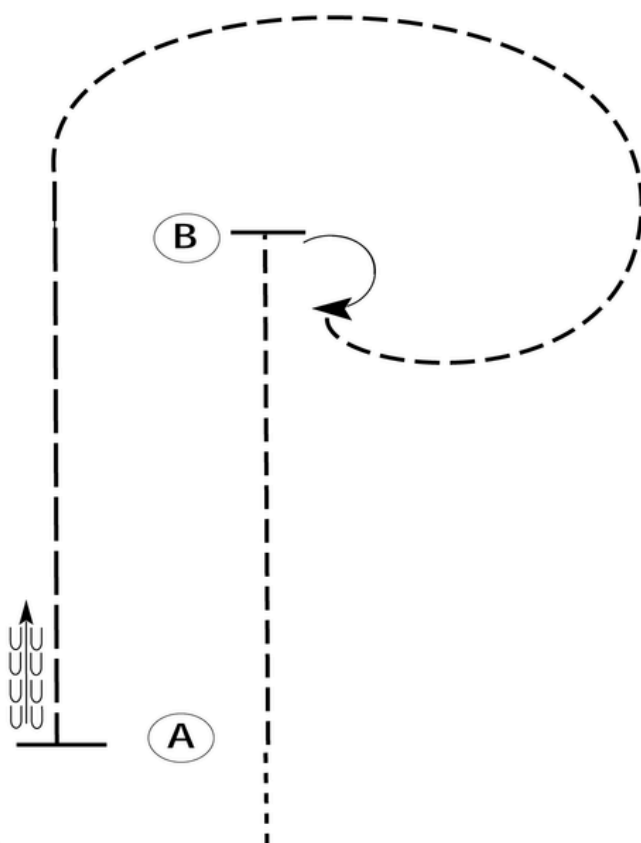


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2. Stop or break to a walk. Walk over poles into box
3. Execute 360 degree turn either direction
4. Back around and into the Chute
5. Jog out of the Chute over poles
6. Jog over poles
7. Walk over poles
8. Jog over poles up to the Gate
9. Work Left-Hand Gate. and Exit to end pattern

Walk	
Jog	-----
Lope	————

Western Horsemanship (Walk Trot)

Show Date: 10-09-2026



Be ready before A.

1. Walk to A.
2. Jog to B.
3. Turn 180 degrees to the right.
4. Jog back around to B.
5. Extend the jog from B to A.
6. Stop at A and back approximately one horse length.

Follow the instructions of your ring steward.

Walk	-----
Jog	-----
Extended Jog	-----
Lope	-----
Leg Yield	
Lead Change	
Back	← ← ← ← ←
Marker	(B)
Sidepass	←-----→

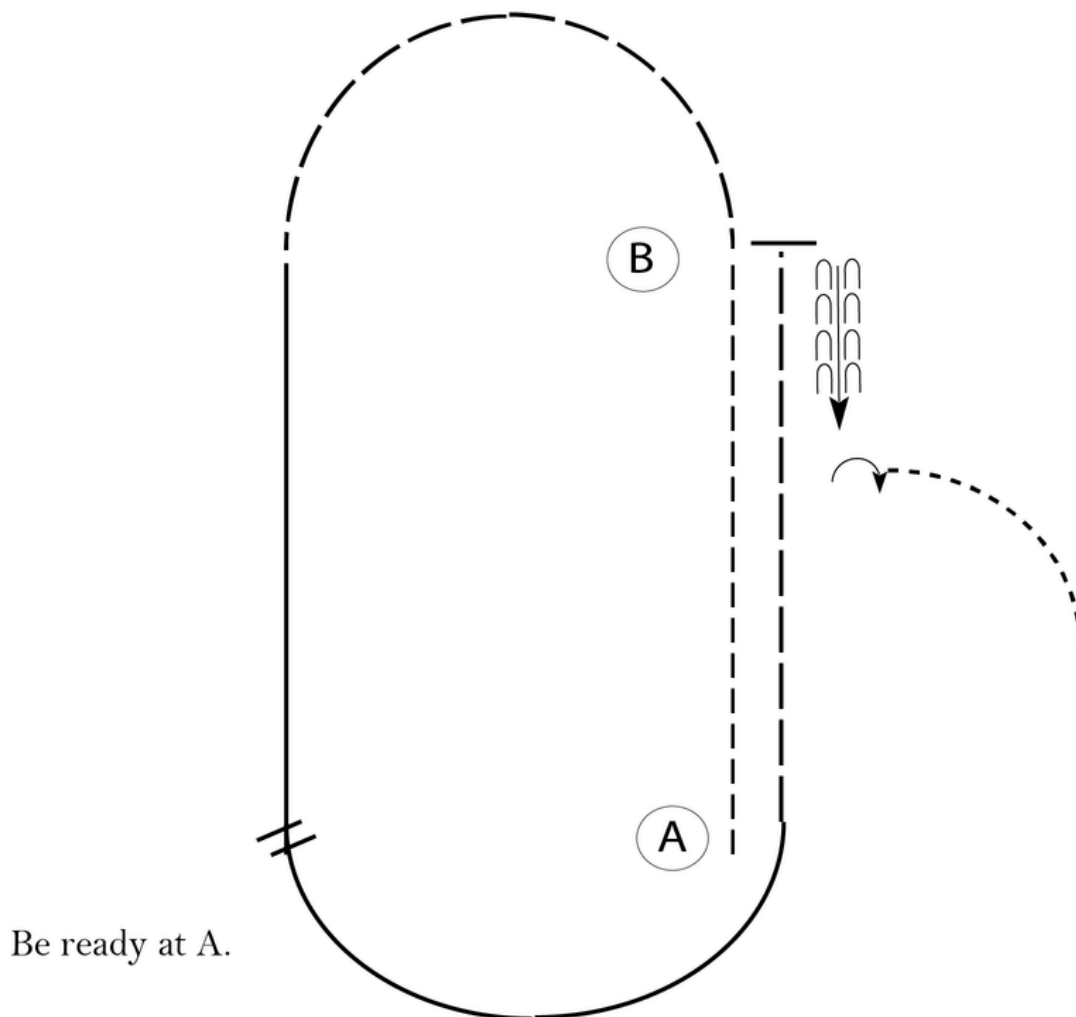
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Western Horsemanship (Novice, L1)

Show Date: 10-09-2026



Be ready at A.

1. Jog from A to B.
2. Extend the jog in a half circle.
3. Lope on the right lead until even with A.
4. Perform a simple lead change.
5. Lope on the left lead until even with A.
6. Extend the jog to B.
7. Stop, back one horse length and perform a 90 degree turn to the right.
8. Pattern is complete. Exit at the walk

Walk	-----
Jog	- - - - -
Extended Jog	- - - - -
Lope	
Lead Change	
Back	
Marker	(B)

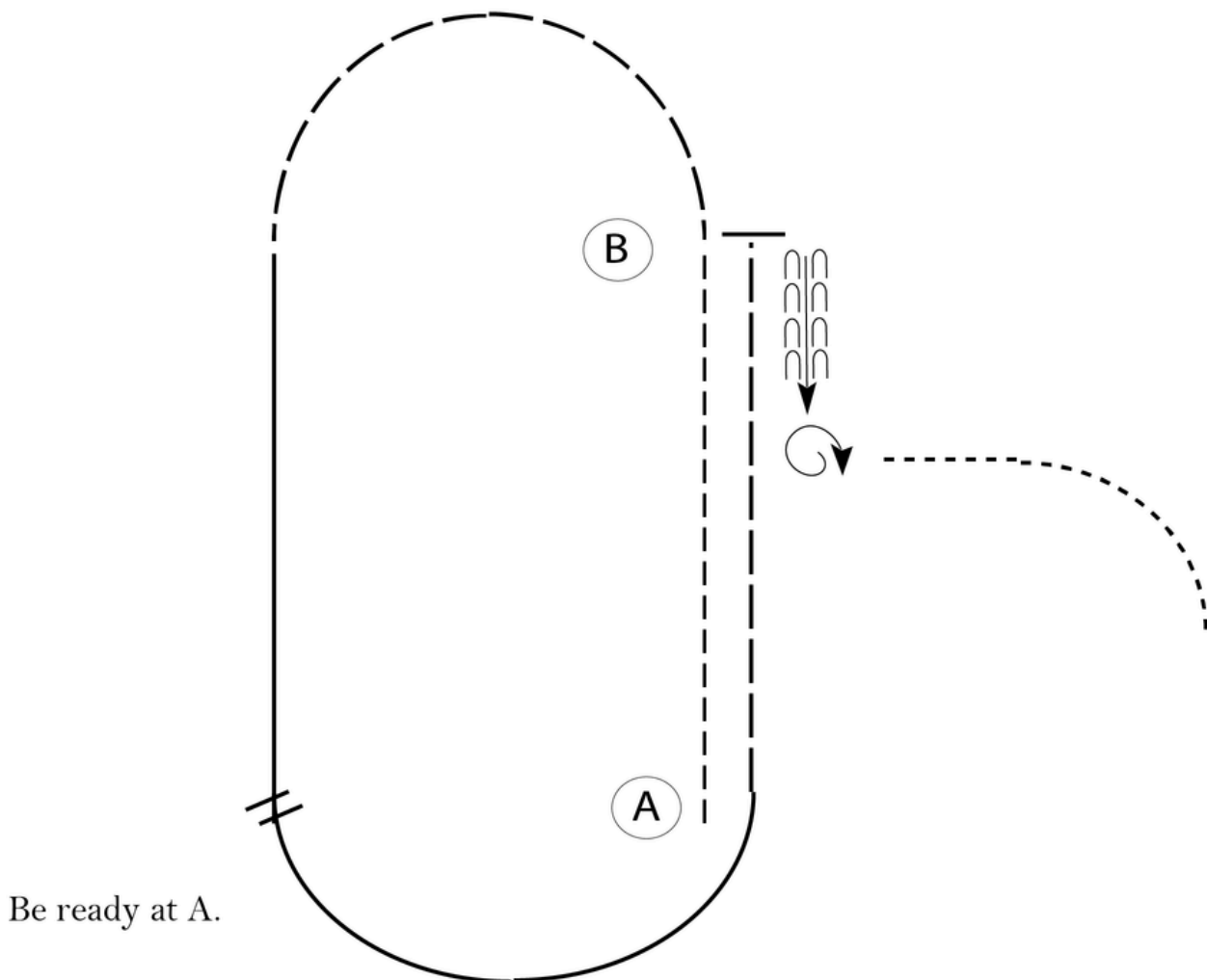
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Western Horsemanship (Youth, Amateur, Non Pro)

Show Date: 10-09-2026



Be ready at A.

1. Jog from A to B.
2. Extend the jog in a half circle.
3. Lope on the right lead until even with A.
4. Perform a simple lead change.
5. Lope on the left lead until even with A.
6. Extend the jog to B.
7. Stop, back one horse length and perform a 450 degree turn to the right.
8. Pattern is complete. Exit at the walk.

Walk	-----
Jog	- - - - -
Extended Jog	- - - - -
Lope	
Lead Change	
Back	
Marker	(B)

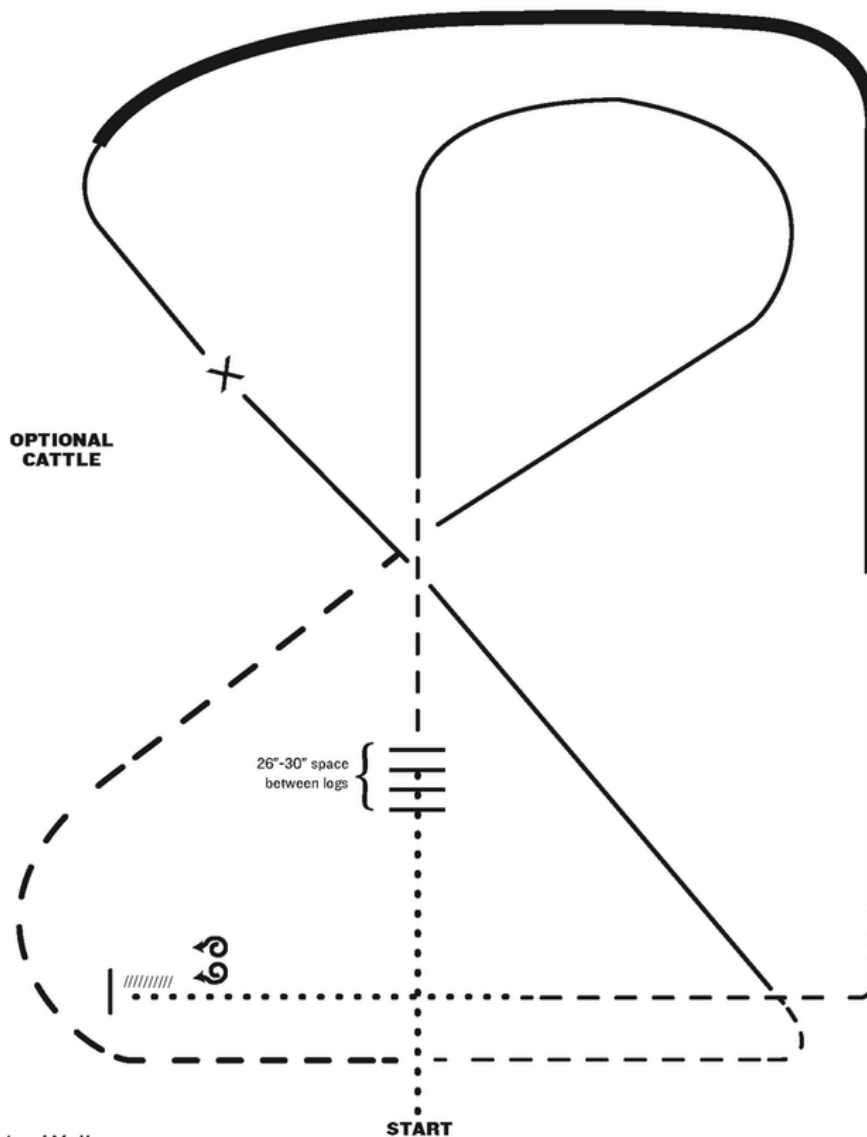
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Ranch Riding (All Ranch Riding)

Show Date: 10-09-2026



1. Walk
2. Walk over logs
3. Trot
4. Lope right lead
5. Extended trot
6. Trot
7. Lope left lead
8. Change leads (simple or flying)
9. Right lead, extended lope
10. Collect Lope
11. Trot
12. Walk
13. Stop and back
14. 360 degree turn each direction (either direction 1st) (L-R or R-L)

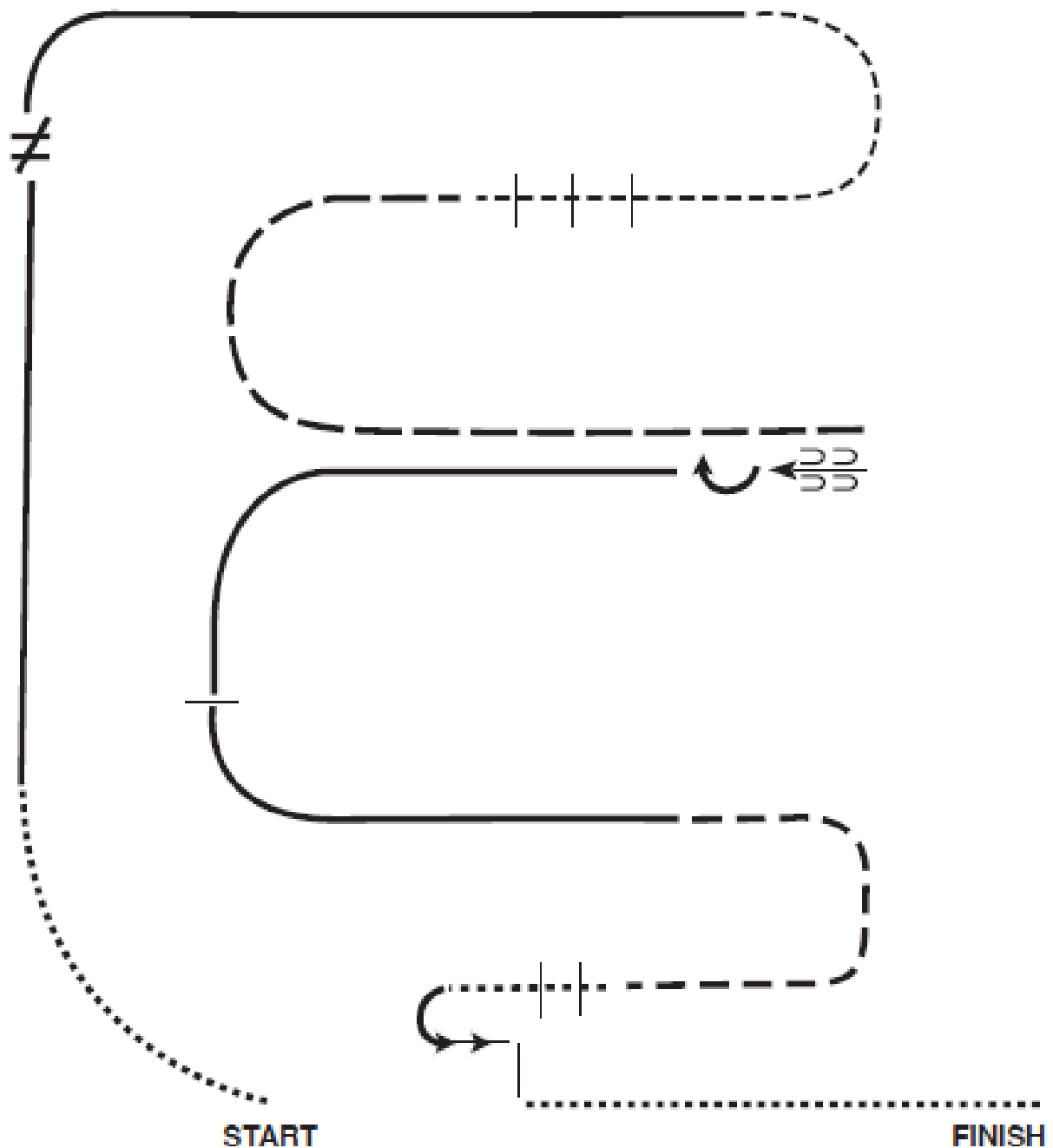
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Western Versatility - Pattern 1

Friday, October 9



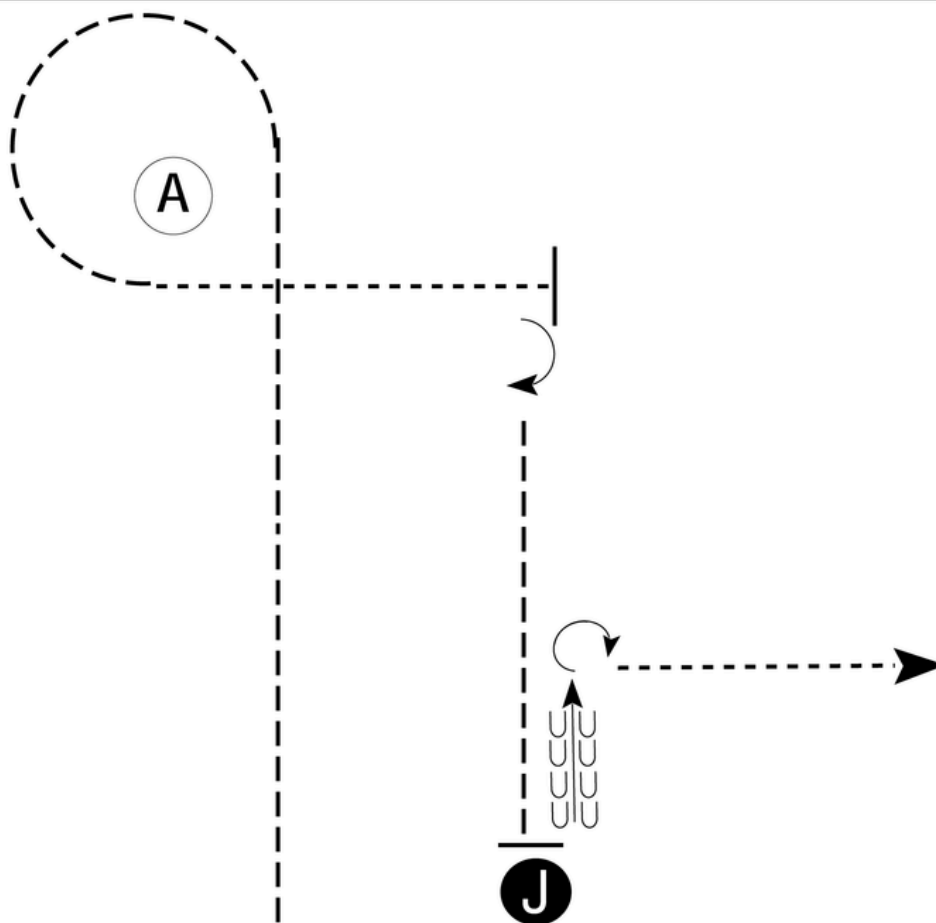
1. Walk
2. Left Lead
3. Simple change through Walk
4. Right Lead
5. Jog
6. Jog three poles
7. Extended jog
8. Stop and Back
9. 180 Turn Right
10. Left Lead Lope
11. Lope over One Pole
12. Jog
13. Walk over Two Poles
14. 180 Turn Left
15. Sidepass Right Over Pole and Walk to Exit

Walk	
Jog/Trot	-----
Lope/Canter	=====
Extended Trot	=====
Change Lead	≠
Back	←←←←←
Sidepass	→→→→→

MQHA

Showmanship (Novice, L1, Walk This Way)

Show Date: 10-10-2026



Be ready even with judge.

****Note: walk instead of all trotting for Walk This Way**

1. Trot to and around A.
2. Walk from A until even with judge.
3. Stop and perform a 90 degree turn.
4. Trot to judge.
5. Stop and set up for inspection.
6. When dismissed, back approximately 2 horse lengths.
7. Perform a 270 degree turn.
8. Walk straight away from judge.

Follow the instructions of your ring steward.

Walk	-----
Trot	- - - - -
Back	← ㄣ ㄣ ㄣ ㄣ
Marker	ⓑ
Judge	ⓐ

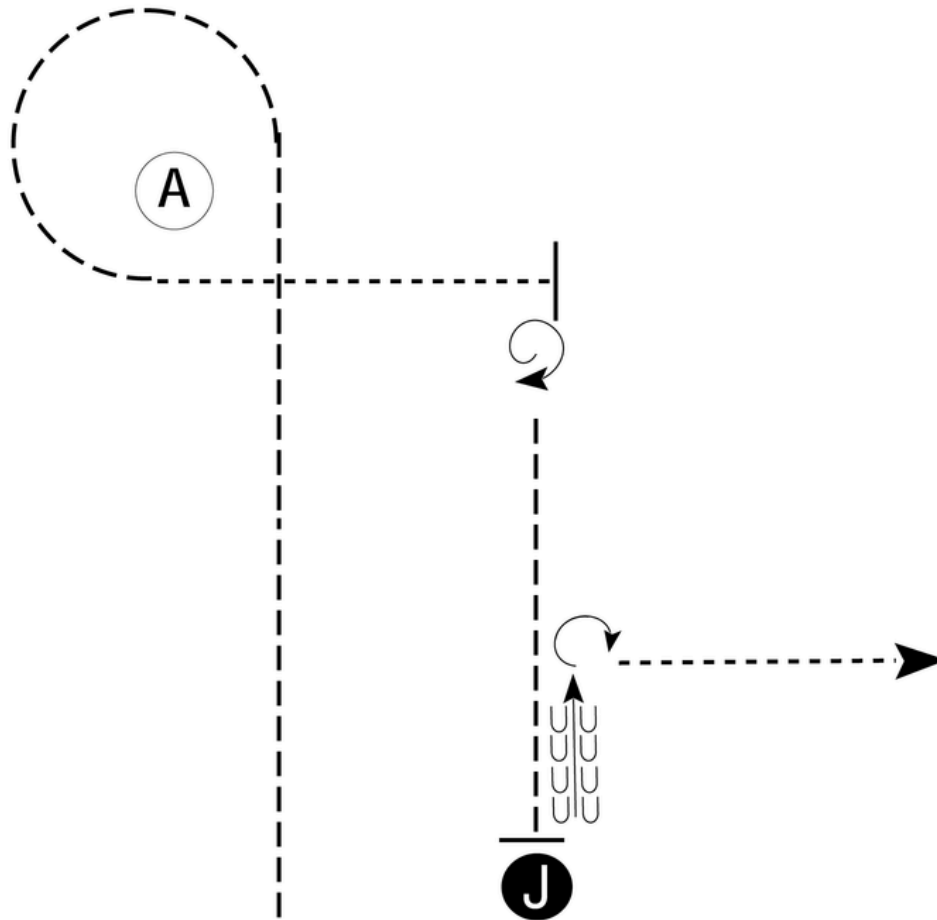
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Showmanship (Youth, Amateur, Select, Non Pro)

Show Date: 10-10-2026



Be ready even with judge.

1. Trot to and around A.
2. Walk from A until even with judge.
3. Stop and perform a 450 degree turn.
4. Trot to judge.
5. Stop and set up for inspection.
6. When dismissed, back approximately 2 horse lengths.
7. Perform a 270 degree turn.
8. Walk straight away from judge.

Follow the instructions of your ring steward.

Walk	-----
Trot	-----
Back	← ↗ ↘ ↗ ↘
Marker	ⓑ
Judge	ⓐ

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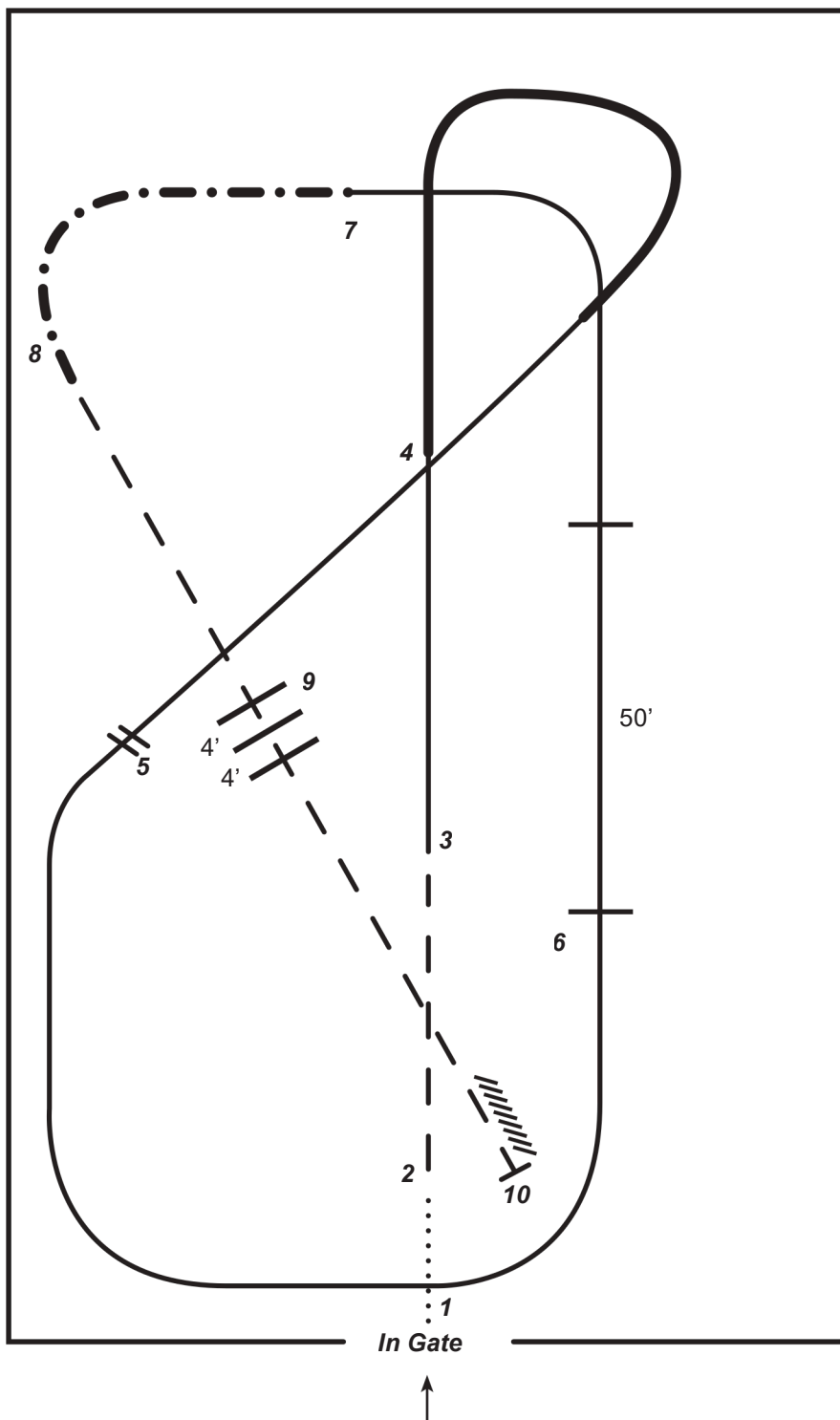
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ENGLISH VERSATILITY

PATTERN #1

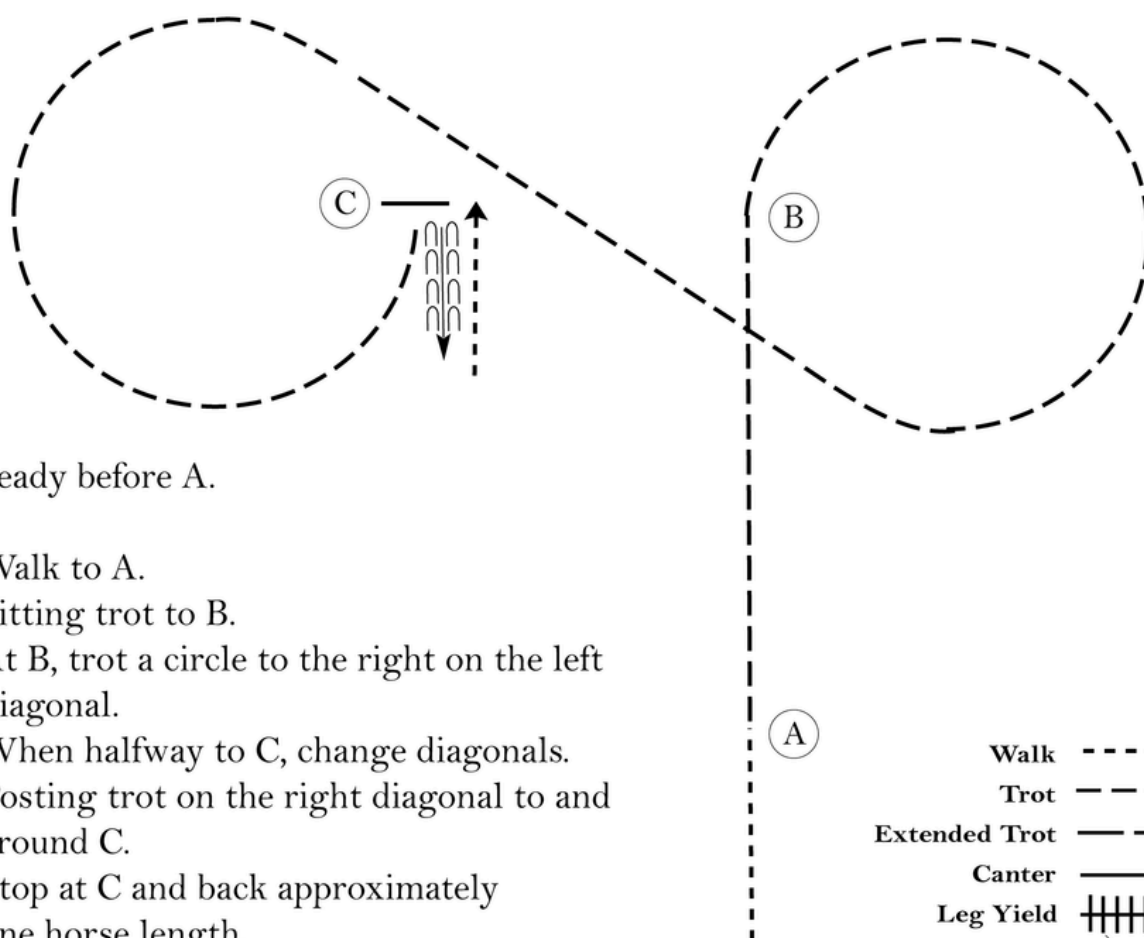


1. Forward walk from gate
2. Trot left diagonal
3. Right lead canter
4. Hand gallop through turn
5. Change leads (simple or flying)
6. Canter cavalleti
7. Extended sitting trot through turn
8. Trot right diagonal
9. Trot poles
10. Halt and back

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Hunt Seat Equitation (Walk Trot)

Show Date: 10-10-2026



[HSE/WT-41]

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Be ready before A.

- Exit at a walk.

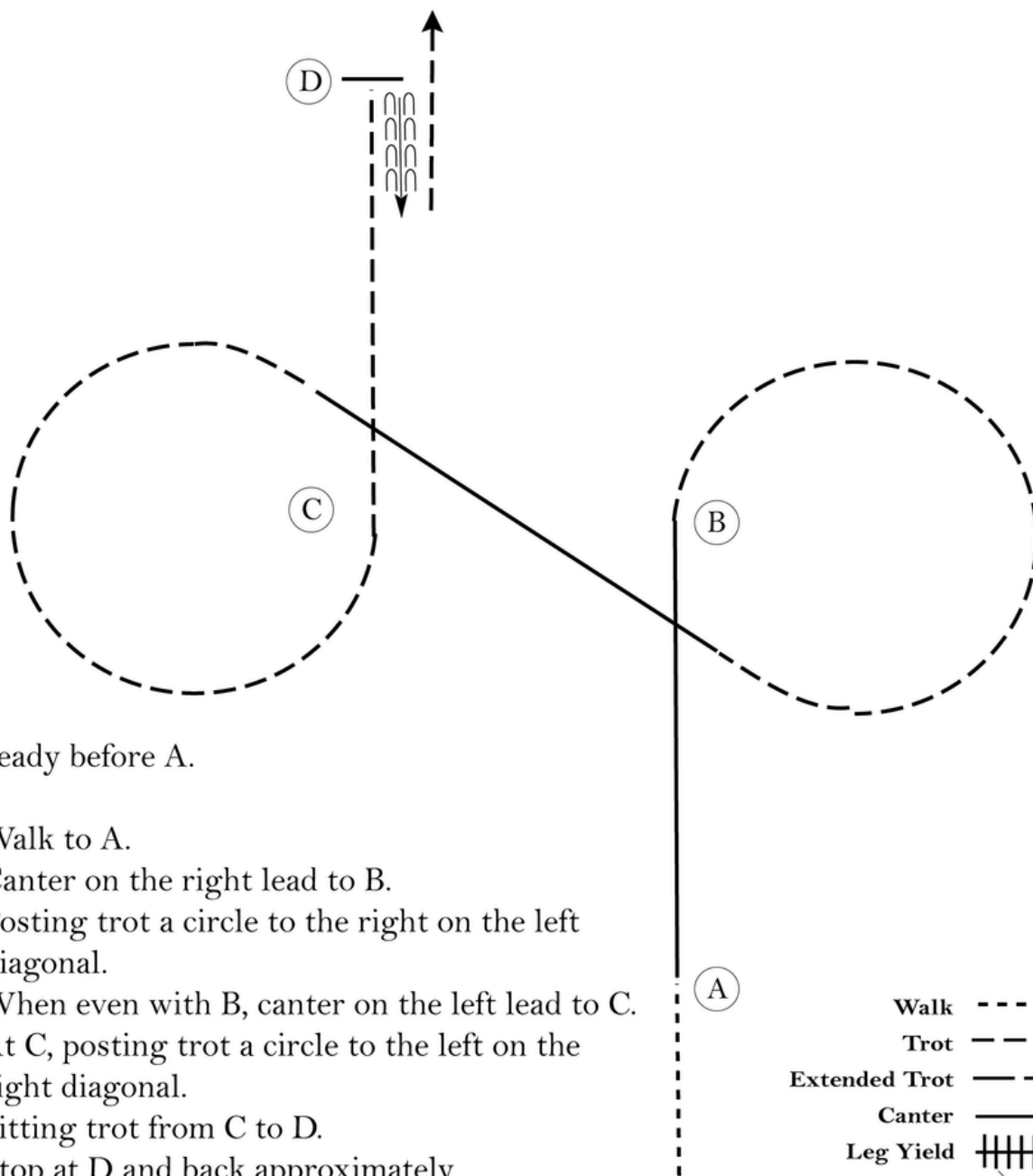
Walk	----
Trot	- - - -
Extended Trot	— — — —
Canter	————
Leg Yield	
Lead Change	↘
Back	←
Marker	Ⓚ
Sidepass	← — — — →
Hand Gallop	————

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Hunt Seat Equitation (Youth, Amateur, Select, Non Pro)

Show Date: 10-10-2026



Be ready before A.

1. Walk to A.
2. Canter on the right lead to B.
3. Posting trot a circle to the right on the left diagonal.
4. When even with B, canter on the left lead to C.
5. At C, posting trot a circle to the left on the right diagonal.
6. Sitting trot from C to D.
7. Stop at D and back approximately one horse length.

Exit at a sitting trot.

Follow the instructions of your ring steward.

Walk	-----
Trot	- - - - -
Extended Trot	— — — — —
Canter	— — — — —
Leg Yield	
Lead Change	— — — — —
Back	← ← ← ← ←
Marker	(B)
Sidepass	← — — — — →
Hand Gallop	— — — — —

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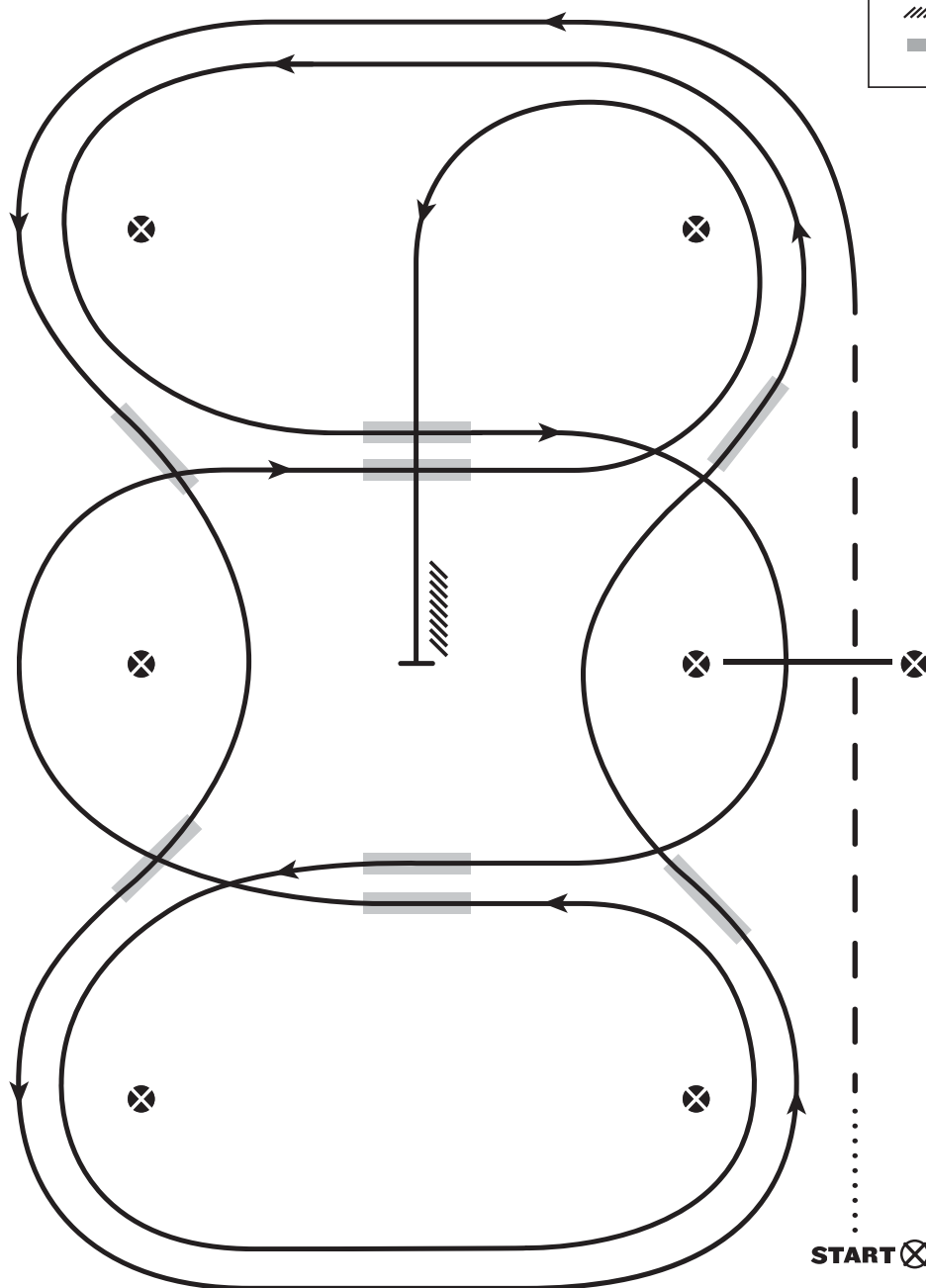
Saturday, October 10
All Western Riding

WESTERN RIDING - PATTERN 5

Recommended For Small Arenas

LEGEND

.....	Walk
- - -	Jog
— — —	Lope
////	Back
■	Lead Changing Area

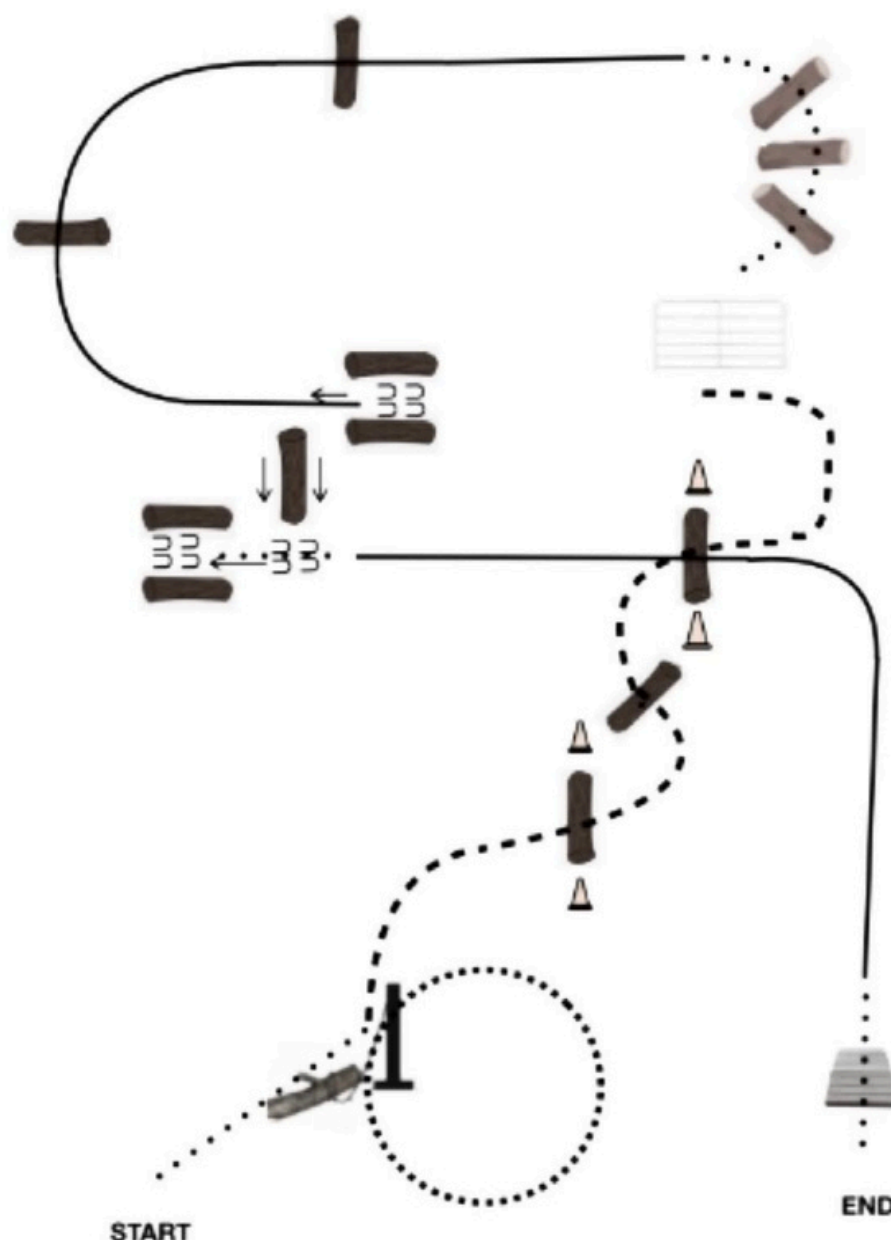


1. Walk at least 15 feet from start cone to the first marker, transition to jog, jog over log.
2. Transition to the lope left lead
3. First line change
4. Second line change
5. Third line change
6. Fourth line change
7. First crossing change
8. Lope over log
9. Second crossing change
10. Third crossing change
11. Fourth crossing change
12. Lope, stop & back

Ranch Trail

Saturday Oct 10th

All Ranch Trail Classes



1. Walk to Drag. Drag Log in a Circle to the left at walk or trot as shown. (Youth/L1 Am pick up bucket and trot circle.)
2. Trot over logs in serpentine to the Gate.
3. Work Right Hand Gate.
4. Walk over logs.
5. Lope Left Lead over logs and into Chute.
6. Back out of Chute.
7. Side pass log. Back into Chute.
8. Walk forward out of Chute. Lope Right Lead over log.
9. Walk over Bridge to End Pattern.

Walk
Trot
Extended Trot
Lope
Extended Lope
Change Leads

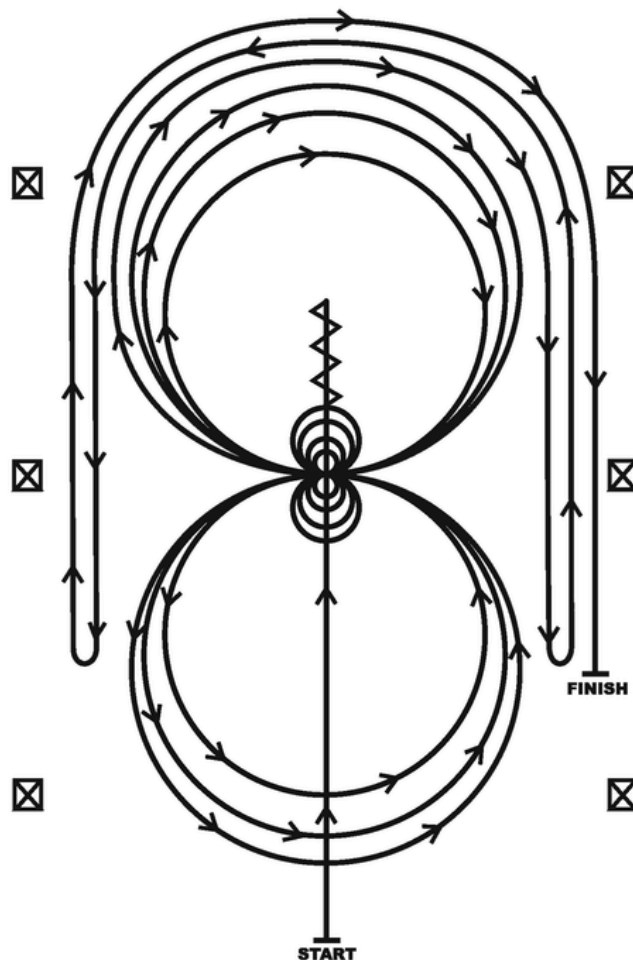


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Reining (Open, Amateur)

Show Date: 10-10-2026

REINING PATTERN 10



1. Run past the center marker and do a sliding stop. Back up to the center of the arena or at least ten feet (three meters). Hesitate.
2. Complete four spins to the right. Hesitate.
3. Complete four and one-quarter spins to the left so that the horse is facing the left wall or fence. Hesitate.
4. Beginning on the right lead, complete three circles to the right: the first two circles large and fast, the third circle small and slow. Change leads at the center of the arena.
5. Complete three circles to the left: the first circle small and slow, the next two circles large and fast. Change leads at the center of the arena.
6. Begin a large circle to the right but do not close this circle. Run down the right side of the arena past the center marker and do a left rollback at least twenty feet (six meters) from the wall or fence—no hesitation.
7. Continue back around the previous circle but do not close this circle. Run down the left side of the arena past the center and do a right rollback at least twenty feet (six meters) from the wall or fence—no hesitation.
8. Continue back around previous circle but do not close this circle. Run down the right side of the arena past the center marker and do a sliding stop at least twenty feet (six meters) from the wall or fence. Hesitate to demonstrate completion of the pattern.

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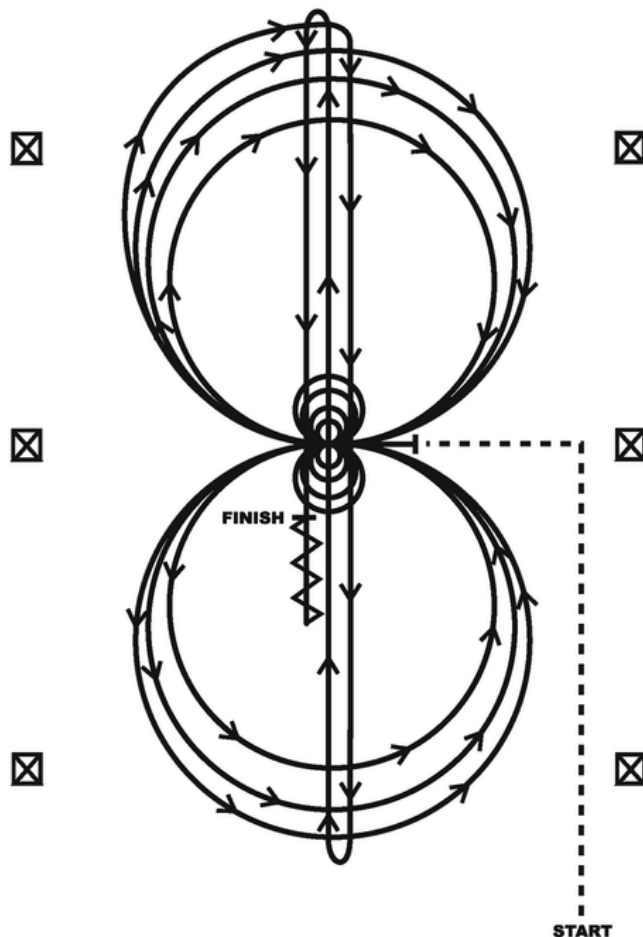
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Reining (Youth)

Show Date: 10-10-2026

REINING PATTERN 11



Horses must jog to the center of the arena. Horses must walk or stop prior to starting the pattern. Beginning at the center of the arena facing the left wall or fence.

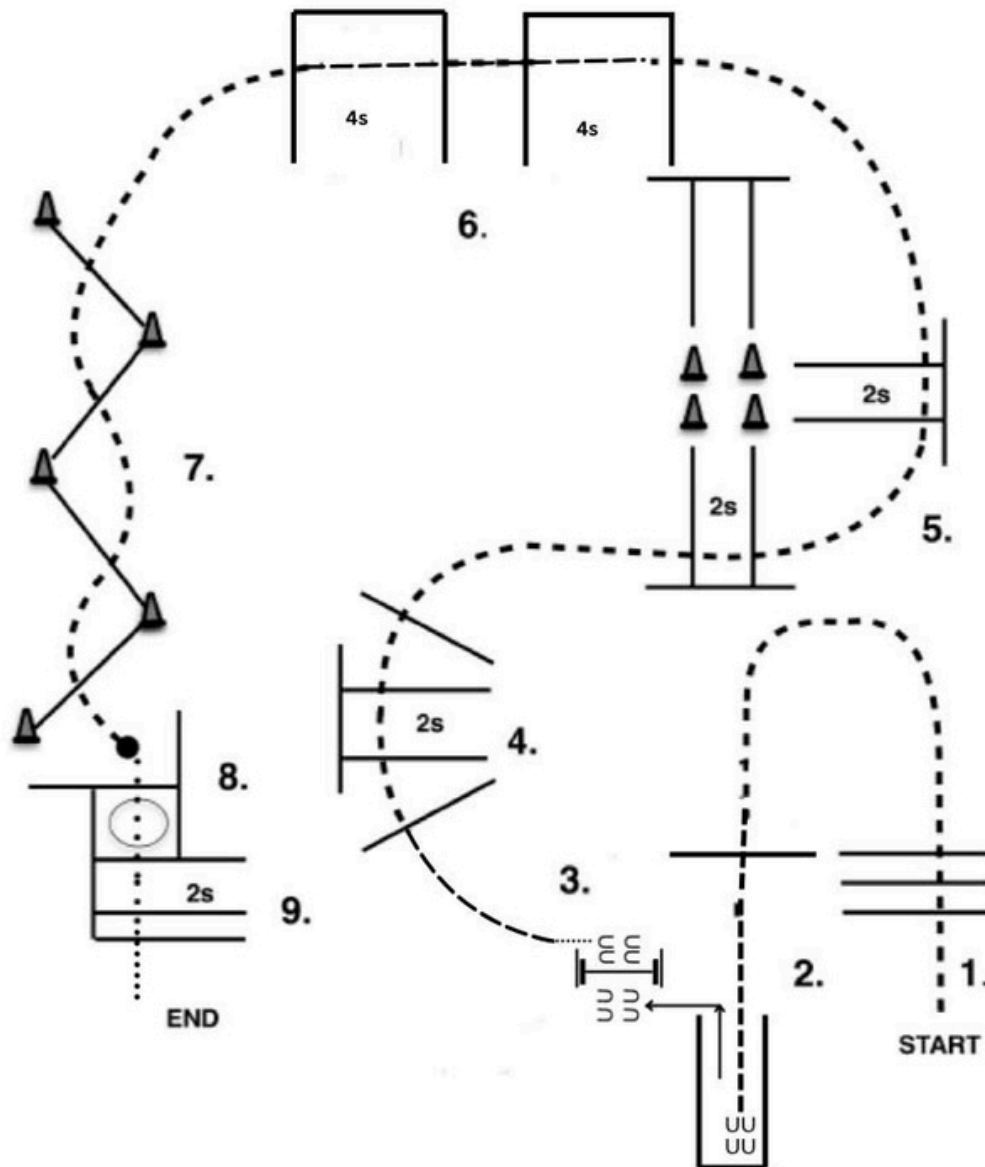
1. Complete four spins to the left. Hesitate.
2. Complete four spins to the right. Hesitate.
3. Beginning on the right lead complete three circles to the right; the first circle small and slow; the next two circles large and fast. Change leads at the center of the arena.
4. Complete three circles to the left; the first circle small and slow; the next two circles large and fast. Change leads at the center of the arena.
5. Begin a large circle to the right, but do not close this circle. Run down the center of the arena past the end marker and do a right rollback—no hesitation.
6. Run up the middle to the opposite end of the arena past the end marker and do a left rollback—no hesitation.
7. Run past the center marker and do a sliding stop. Back up to the center of the arena or at least ten feet (three meters). Hesitate to demonstrate completion of the pattern.

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Trail

Sunday Oct 11th
Walk-Trot



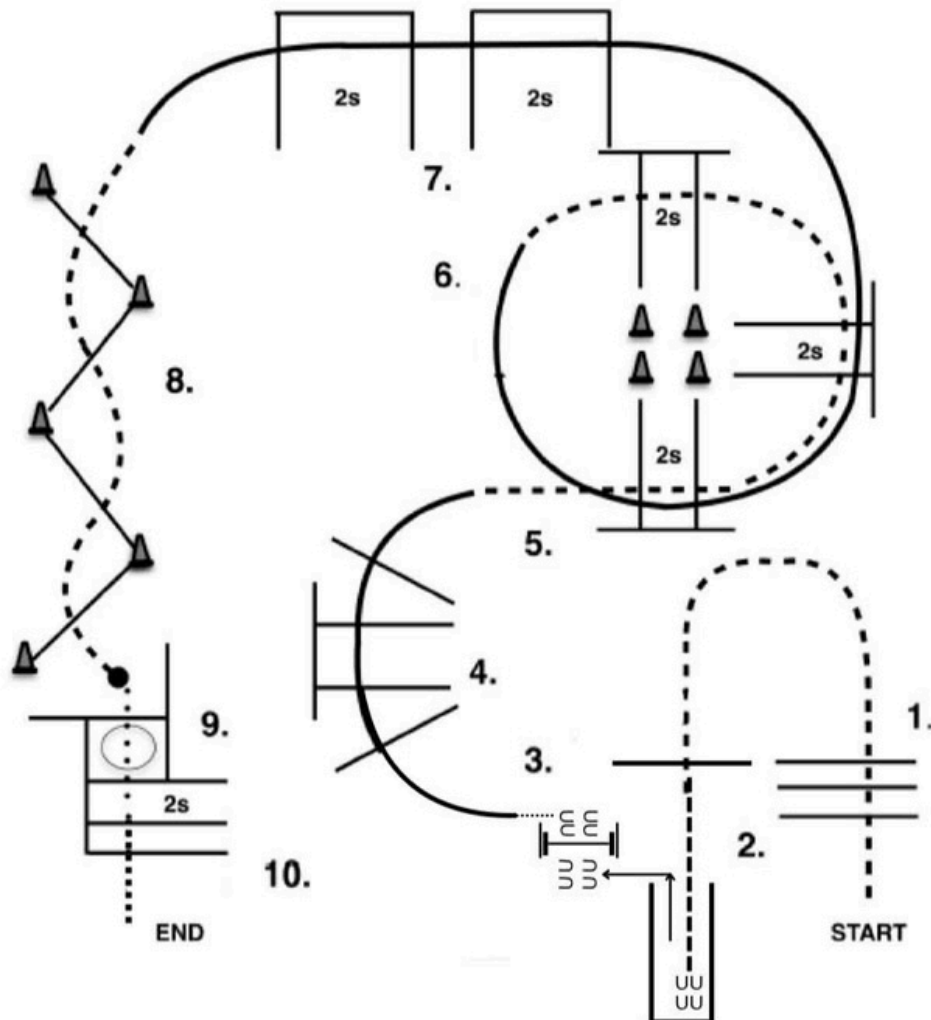
1. Jog over poles and into the Chute.
2. Back out of Chute, around corner to the Gate.
3. Work Left Handed Gate
4. You may walk forward. Jog over poles.
5. Jog over poles.
6. Jog over poles.
7. Jog over poles and stop.
8. Walk into Box and Execute a 360° turn either direction.
9. Walk out over poles to End Pattern.

WALK	
JOG	----
LOPE	———

Trail

Sunday Oct 11th

All Trail (not W/T or In-Hand)

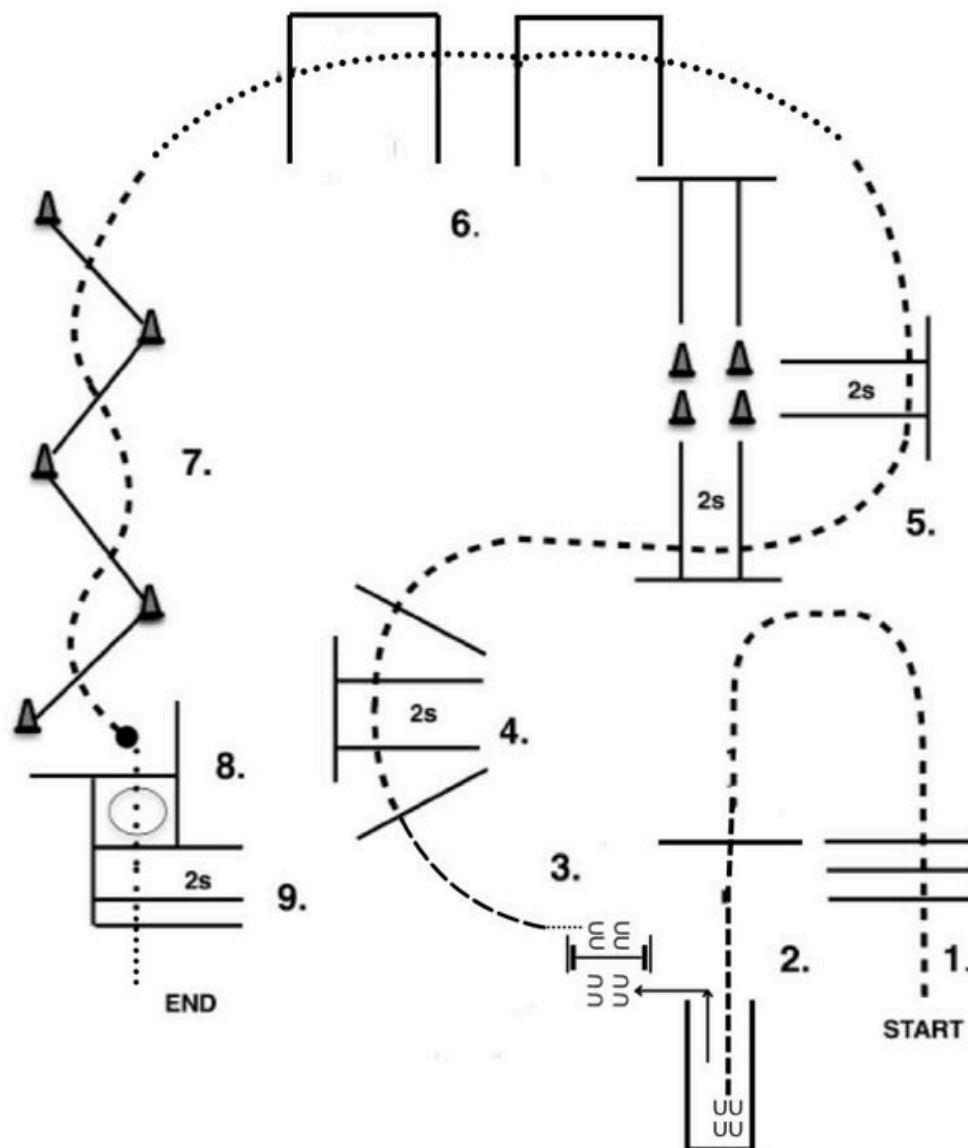


1. Jog over poles and into the Chute.
2. Back out of Chute, around corner to the Gate.
3. Work Left Handed Gate
4. You may walk forward. Lope Right Lead over poles.
5. Jog over poles.
6. Lope Left Lead over poles.
7. Lope Left Lead over poles.
8. Jog over poles and stop.
9. Walk into Box and Execute a 360° turn either direction.
10. Walk out over poles to End Pattern.

WALK	
JOG	----
LOPE	———

Trail

Sunday Oct 11th
In-Hand classes



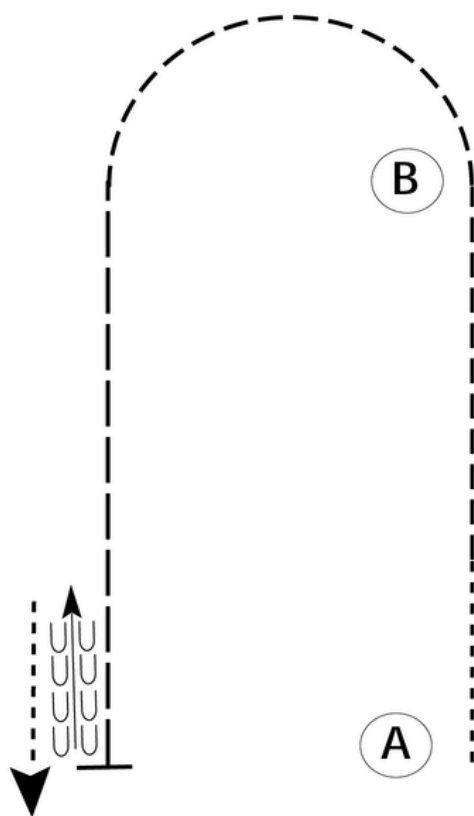
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3. Work Left Handed Gate
4. You may walk forward. Jog over poles.
5. Jog over poles.
6. Walk over poles
7. Jog over poles and stop.
8. Walk into Box and Execute a 360° turn either direction.
9. Walk out over poles to End Pattern.

WALK	
JOG	-----
LOPE	————

Thanksgiving Classic

Horsemanship (Walk Trot/Small Fry)

Show Date: October 11



Be ready at A.

1. Walk approximately 2 horse lengths from A.
2. Jog to B.
3. Jog in a half circle until even with B.
4. Extend the jog until even with A.
5. Stop when even with A and back approximately one horse length.
6. Walk straight away.

Follow the instructions of your ring steward.

Walk	-----
Jog	-----
Extended Jog	-----
Lope	-----
Lead Change	
Back	
Marker	(B)

[WH/WT-84]

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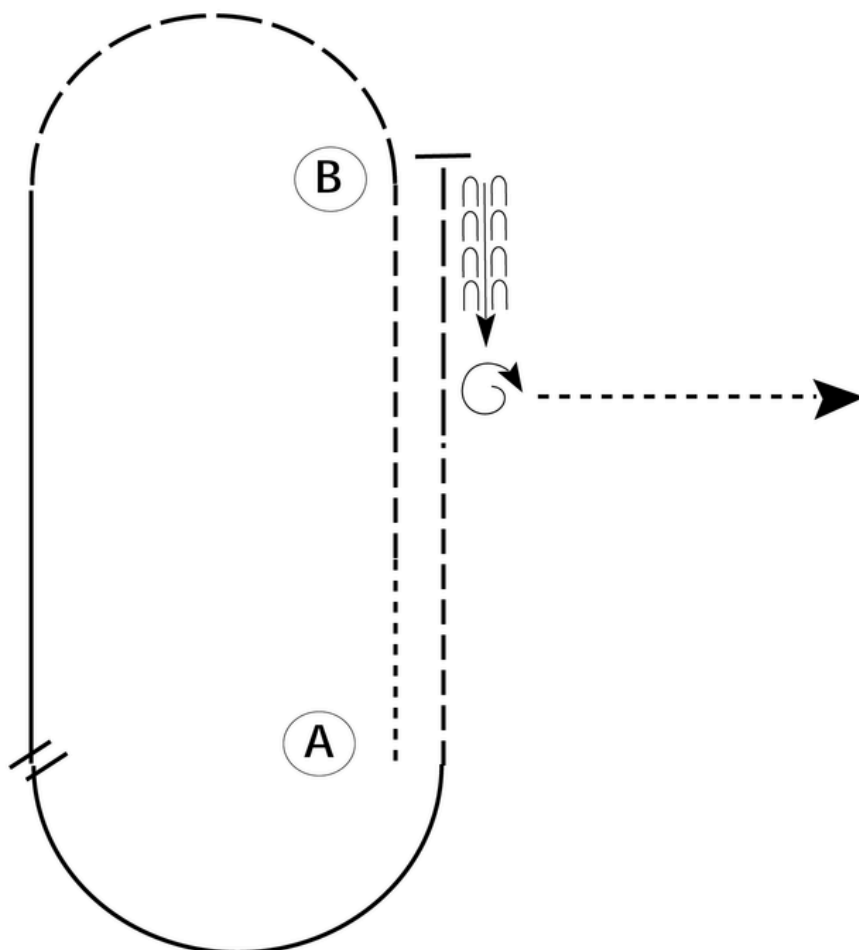
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Horsemanship (Youth and Amateur)

Show Date: October 11



Be ready at A.

1. Walk approximately 2 horse lengths from A.
2. Jog to B.
3. Extend the jog in a half circle.
4. Lope on the right lead until even with A.
5. Perform a simple lead change.
6. Lope on the left lead until even with A.
7. Jog halfway to B..
8. Extend the jog to B.
9. Stop at B and back approximately one horse length.
10. Perform a 1 1/4 turn to the right and walk straight away.

Follow the instructions of your ring steward.

Walk	-----
Jog	- - - - -
Extended Jog	- - - - -
Lope	
Lead Change	
Back	
Marker	(B)

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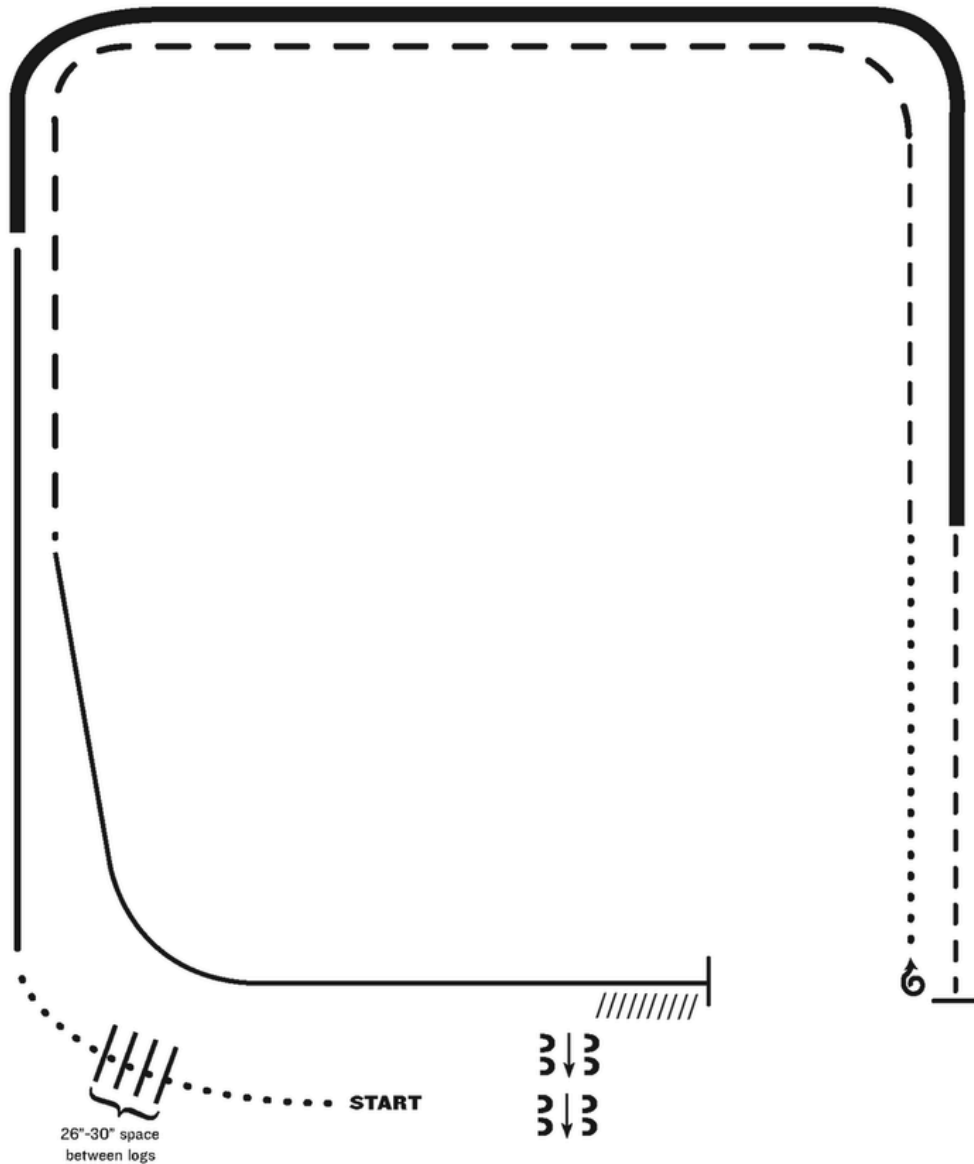
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Thanksgiving Classic

Ranch Riding

Show Date: October 11



1. Walk
2. Walk over logs
3. Lope right lead
4. Extended lope (right lead)
5. Trot
6. Stop, 1 1/2 turns right
7. Walk
8. Trot
9. Extended trot
10. Lope left lead
11. Stop and Back
12. Side pass right

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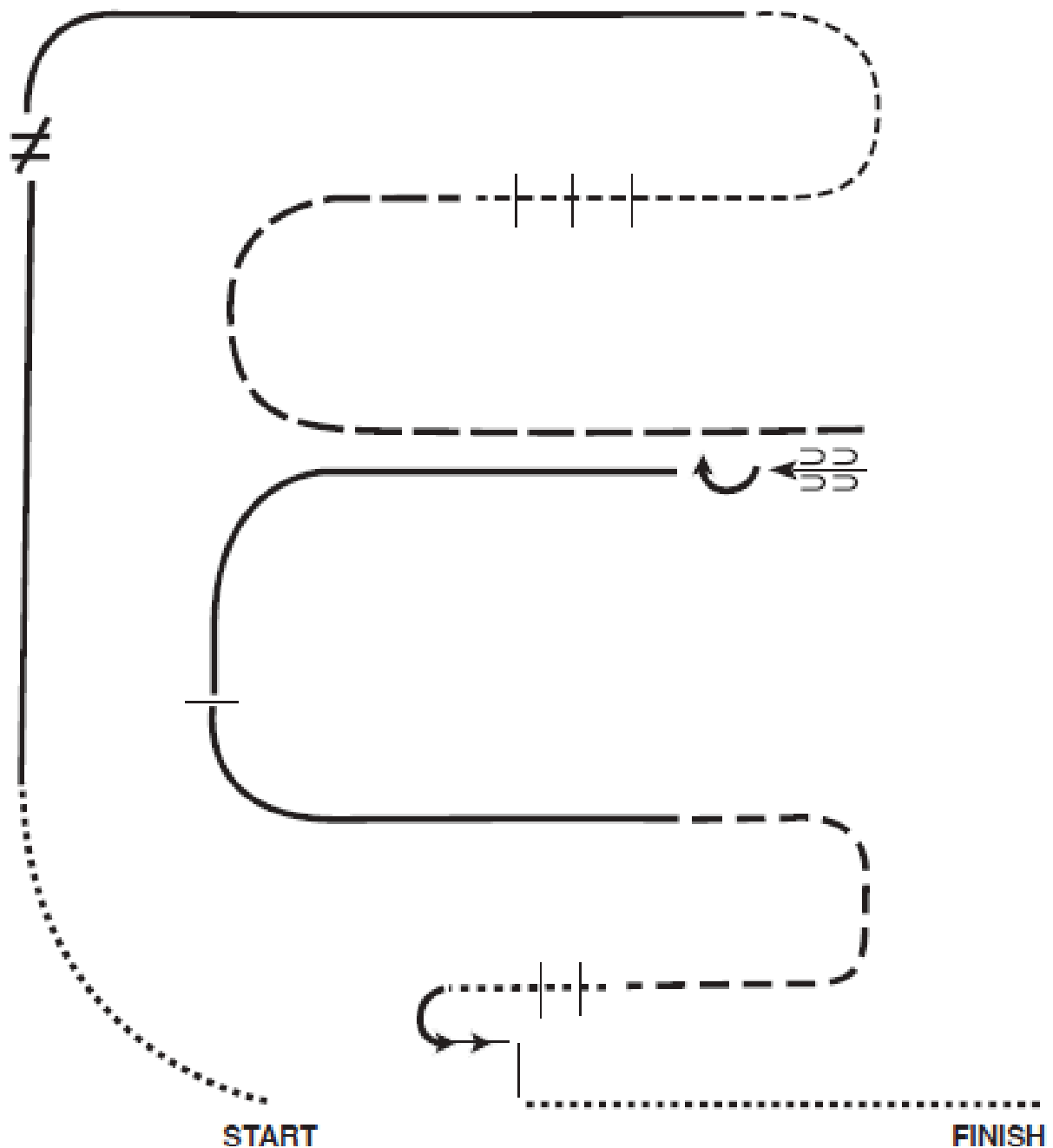
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Western Versatility - Pattern 1

Sunday, October 11



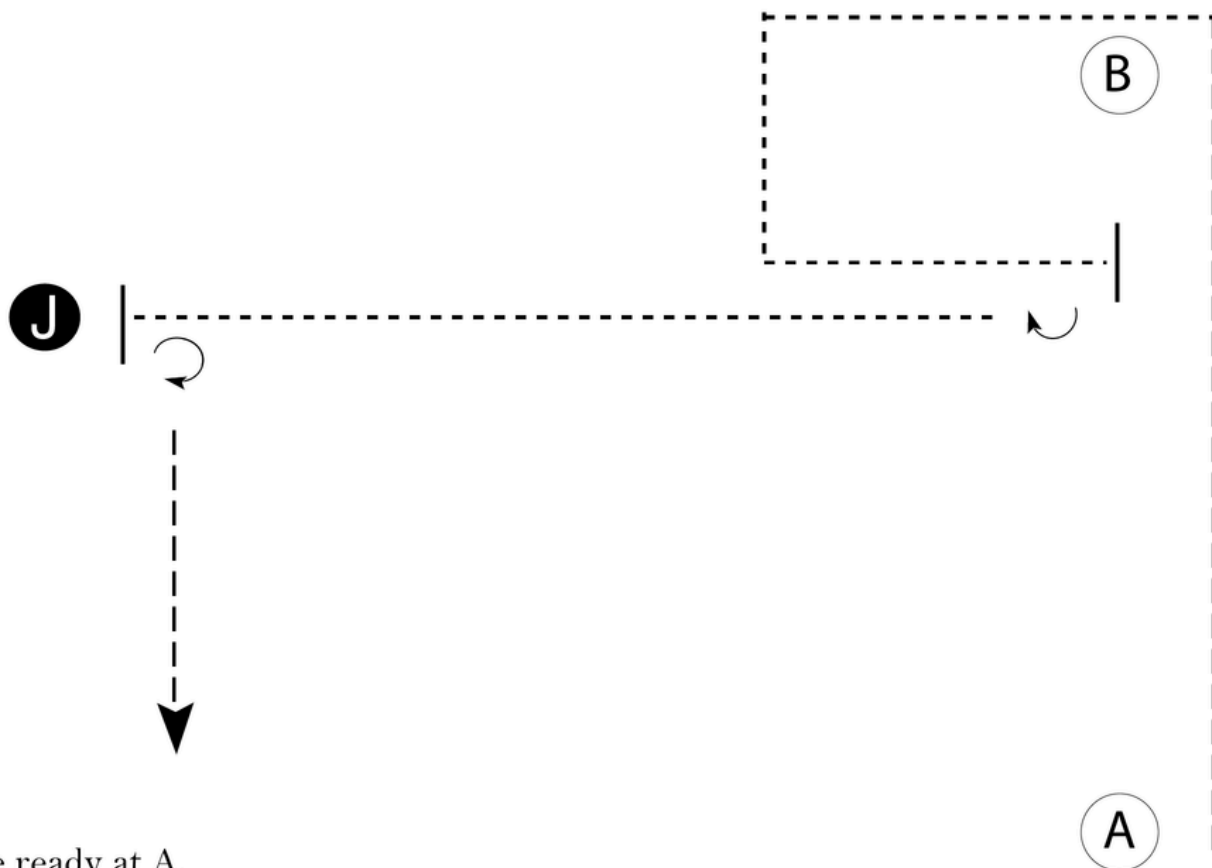
1. Walk
2. Left Lead
3. Simple change through Walk
4. Right Lead
5. Jog
6. Jog three poles
7. Extended jog
8. Stop and Back
9. 180 Turn Right
10. Left Lead Lope
11. Lope over One Pole
12. Jog
13. Walk over Two Poles
14. 180 Turn Left
15. Sidepass Right Over Pole and Walk to Exit

Walk	
Jog/Trot	-----
Lope/Canter	=====
Extended Trot	=====
Change Lead	≠
Back	←←←←←
Sidepass	→→→→→

Thanksgiving Classic

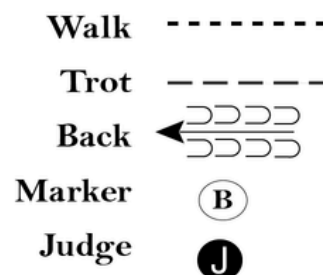
Showmanship (Walk Trot/Small Fry)

Show Date: October 12



Be ready at A.

1. Trot to B and walk a rectangle around B and stop even with B.
2. Perform a 180 degree turn.
3. Walk to the Judge and stop.
4. Set up for inspection.
5. When dismissed, perform a 270 degree turn and trot to exit.
6. Pattern is complete once you have trotted more than one horse length away from Judge.



[S/WT-98]

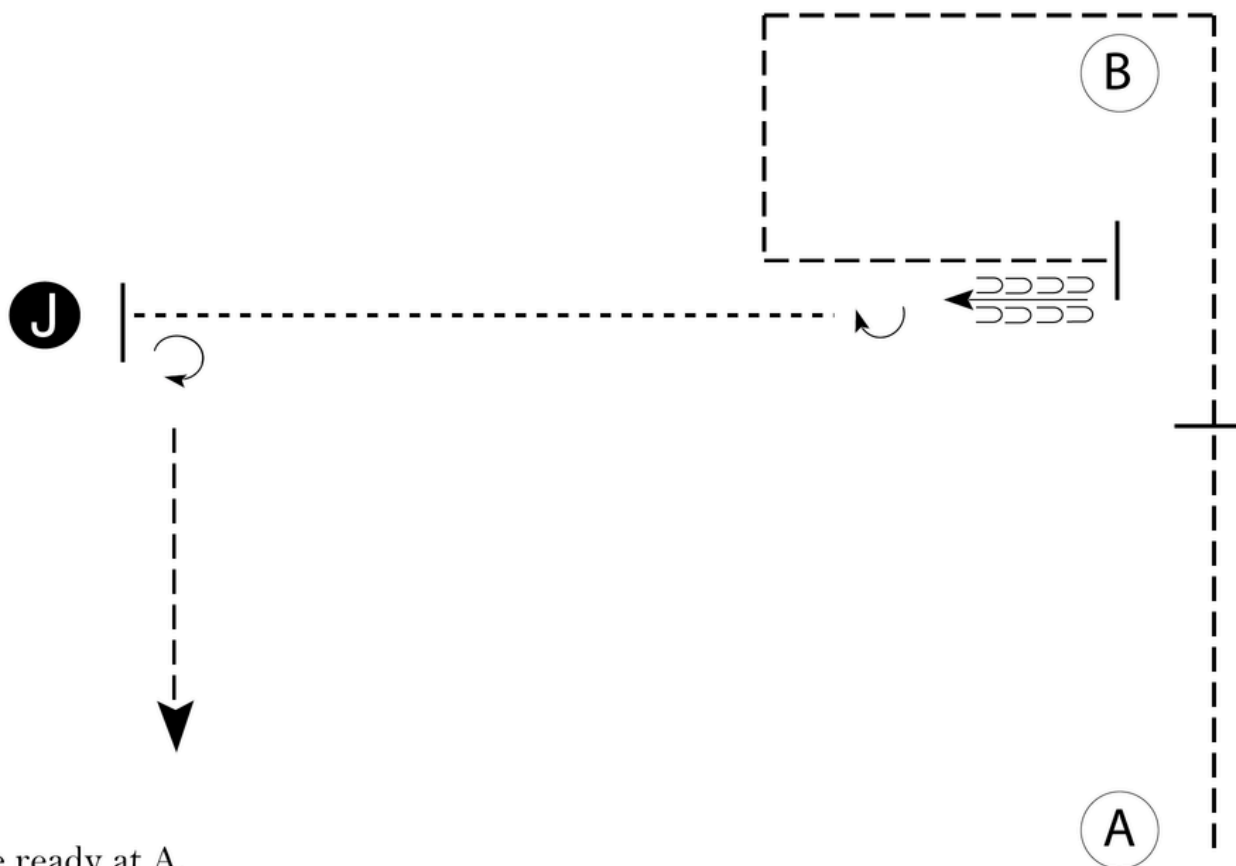
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Showmanship (L1, Novice, Walk This Way)

Show Date: October 12



Be ready at A.

****Note: walk instead of all trotting for Walk This Way**

1. Trot halfway to B and stop.
2. Resume the trot, and trot a rectangle around B and stop even with B.
3. Back approximately one horse length and perform a 180 degree turn.
4. Walk to the Judge and stop.
5. Set up for inspection.
6. When dismissed, perform a 270 degree turn and trot to exit.
7. Pattern is complete once you have trotted more than one horse length away from Judge.

Walk -----
Trot -----
Back ←-----
Marker (B)
Judge (J)

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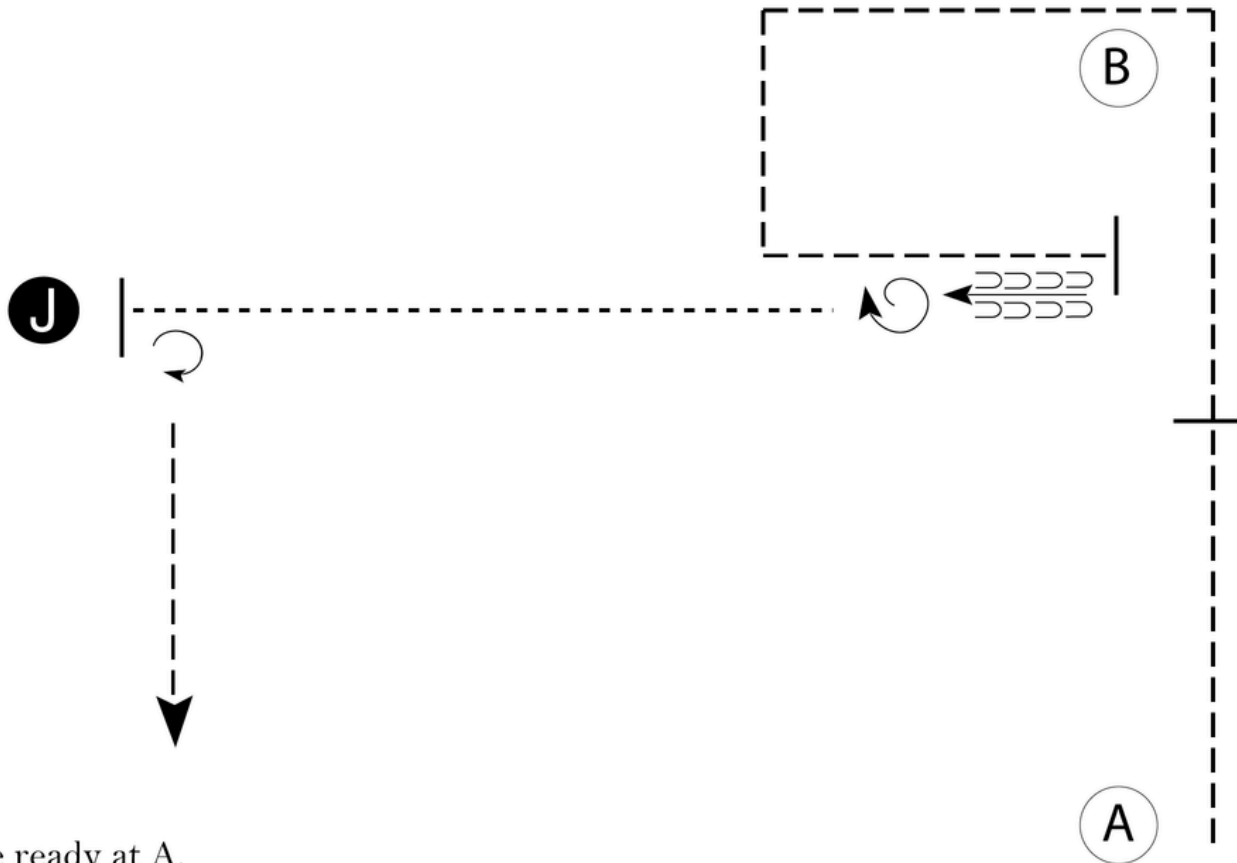
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Thanksgiving Classic

Showmanship (Youth and Amateur)

Show Date: October 12



Be ready at A.

1. Trot halfway to B and stop.
2. Resume the trot, and trot a rectangle around B and stop even with B.
3. Back approximately one horse length and perform a 540 degree turn.
4. Walk to the Judge and stop.
5. Set up for inspection.
6. When dismissed, perform a 270 degree turn and trot to exit.
7. Pattern is complete once you have trotted more than one horse length away from Judge.

Walk -----
 Trot -----
 Back ← -----
 Marker (B)
 Judge (J)

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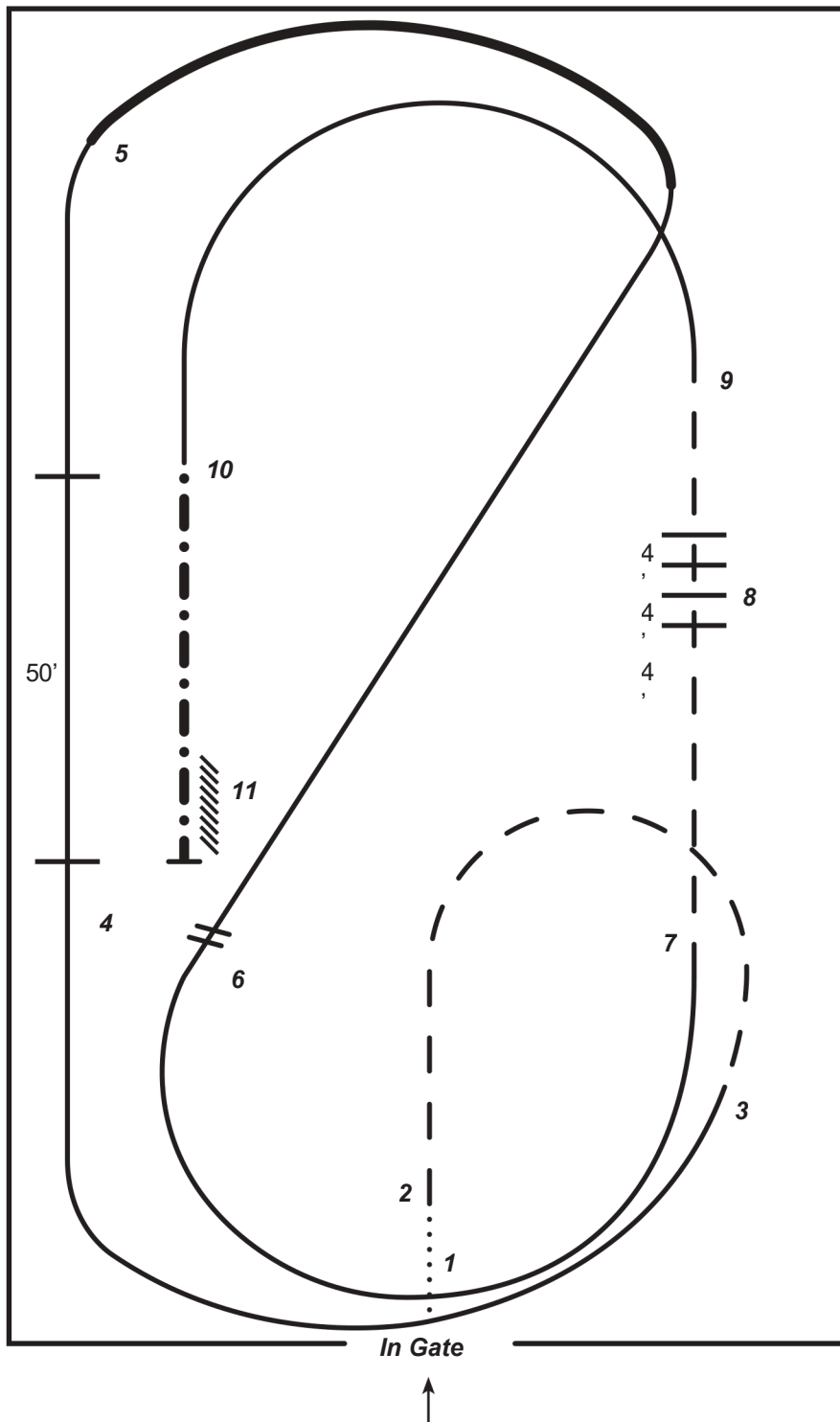
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ENGLISH VERSATILITY

PATTERN #3

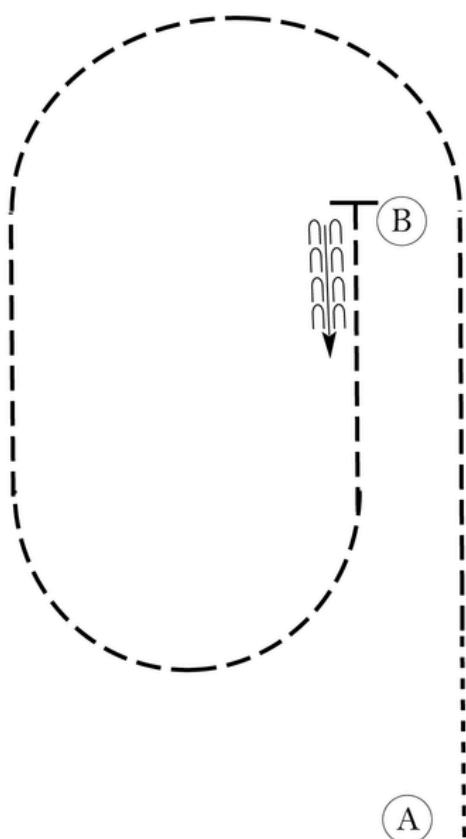


1. Forward walk from gate
2. Trot left diagonal, half circle
3. Canter right lead
4. Canter poles
5. Hand gallop through turn
6. Canter across the diagonal and change leads (simple or flying)
7. Trot right diagonal
8. Trot poles
9. Canter left lead
10. Extended sitting trot
11. Halt and back; exit ring on a loose rein

Thanksgiving Classic

Equitation (Walk Trot/Small Fry)

Show Date: October 12



Be ready at A.

1. Walk two horse lengths from A.
2. Posting trot on the left diagonal to B.
3. Change diagonals and posting trot on the right diagonal in a half circle and then in a straight line until halfway between B and A.
4. Sitting trot a half circle and then a straight line to B.
5. Stop and back approximately one horse length.

Follow the instructions of your ring steward.

Walk	-----
Trot	- - - - -
Extended Trot	— — — — —
Canter	— — — — —
Leg Yield	
Lead Change	— — — — —
Back	← ← ← ← ←
Marker	(B)
Sidepass	← — — — — →
Hand Gallop	— — — — —

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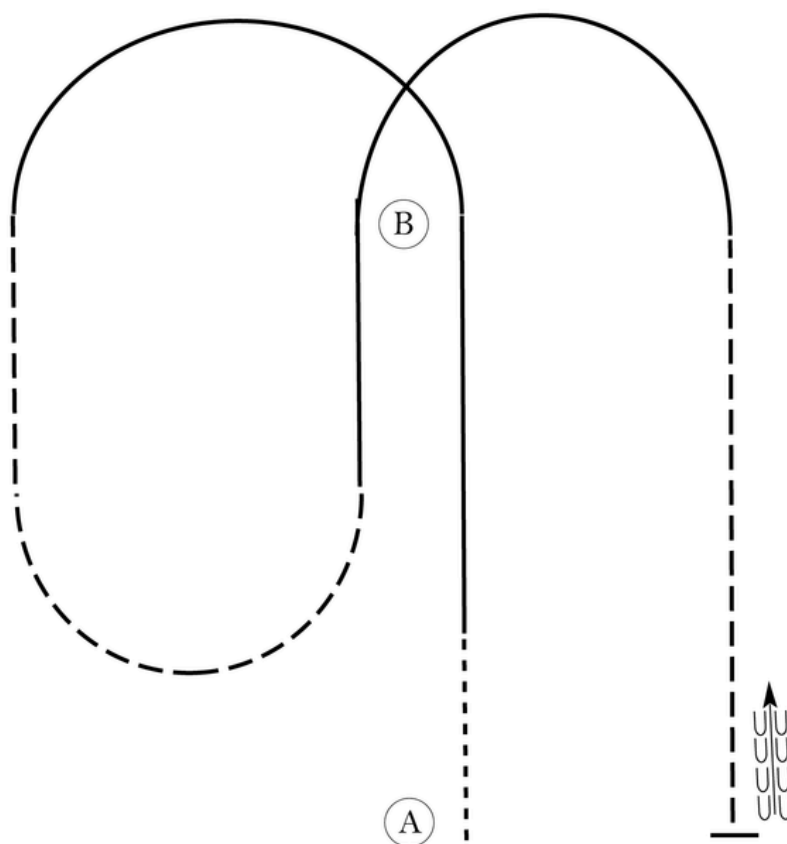
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Thanksgiving Classic

Equitation (L1, Novice)

Show Date: October 12



Be ready at A.

1. Walk two horse lengths from A.
2. Canter on the left lead to B. Continue to canter a half circle until even with B.
3. Trot on the right diagonal until halfway between A and B. Continue to trot a half circle until halfway between A and B.
4. Canter on the right lead to B and then canter a half circle until even with B.
5. Trot on the left diagonal until even with A.
6. Stop and back approximately one horse length.

Follow the instructions of your ring steward.

Walk	-----
Trot	- - - - -
Extended Trot	— — — — —
Canter	— — — — —
Leg Yield	
Lead Change	— — — — —
Back	← ← ← ← ←
Marker	(B)
Sidepass	← — — — — →
Hand Gallop	— — — — —

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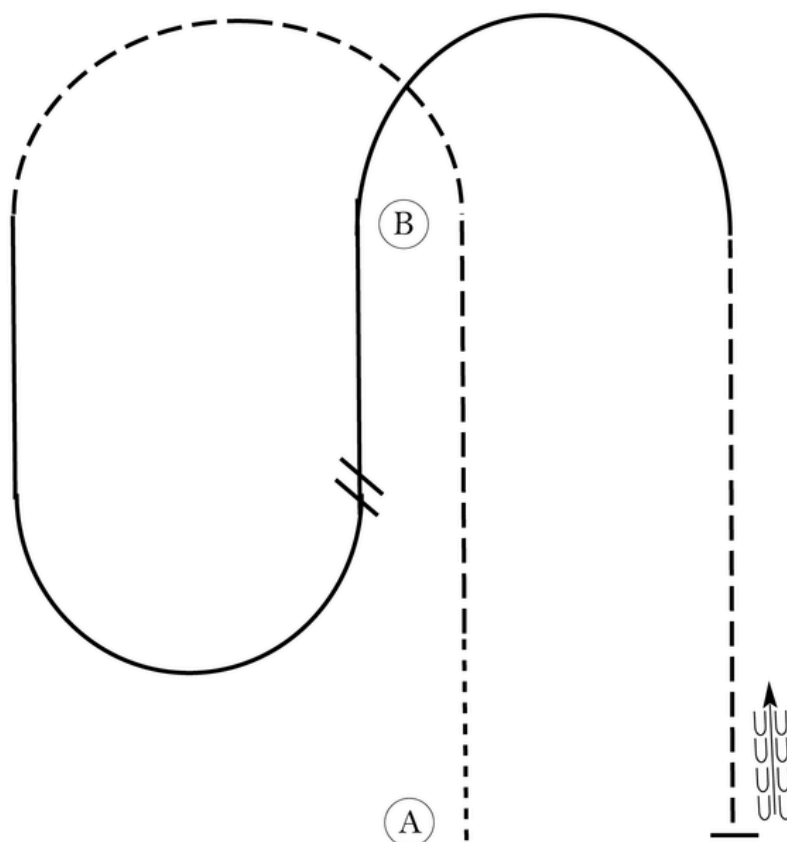
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Thanksgiving Classic

Equitation (Youth and Amateur)

Show Date: October 12



Be ready at A.

1. Walk two horse lengths from A.
2. Sitting trot to B.
3. Posting trot a half circle on the right diagonal until even with B.
4. Canter a straight line and then a half circle on the left lead until halfway between A and B.
5. Perform a simple lead change.
6. Canter on the right lead to B and then in a half circle until even with B.
7. Posting trot on the left diagonal until even with A.
8. Stop and back approximately one horse length.

Follow the instructions of your ring steward.

Walk	-----
Trot	- - - - -
Extended Trot	— — — — —
Canter	— — — — —
Leg Yield	
Lead Change	— — — — —
Back	← ← ← ← ←
Marker	(B)
Sidepass	← — — — — →
Hand Gallop	— — — — —

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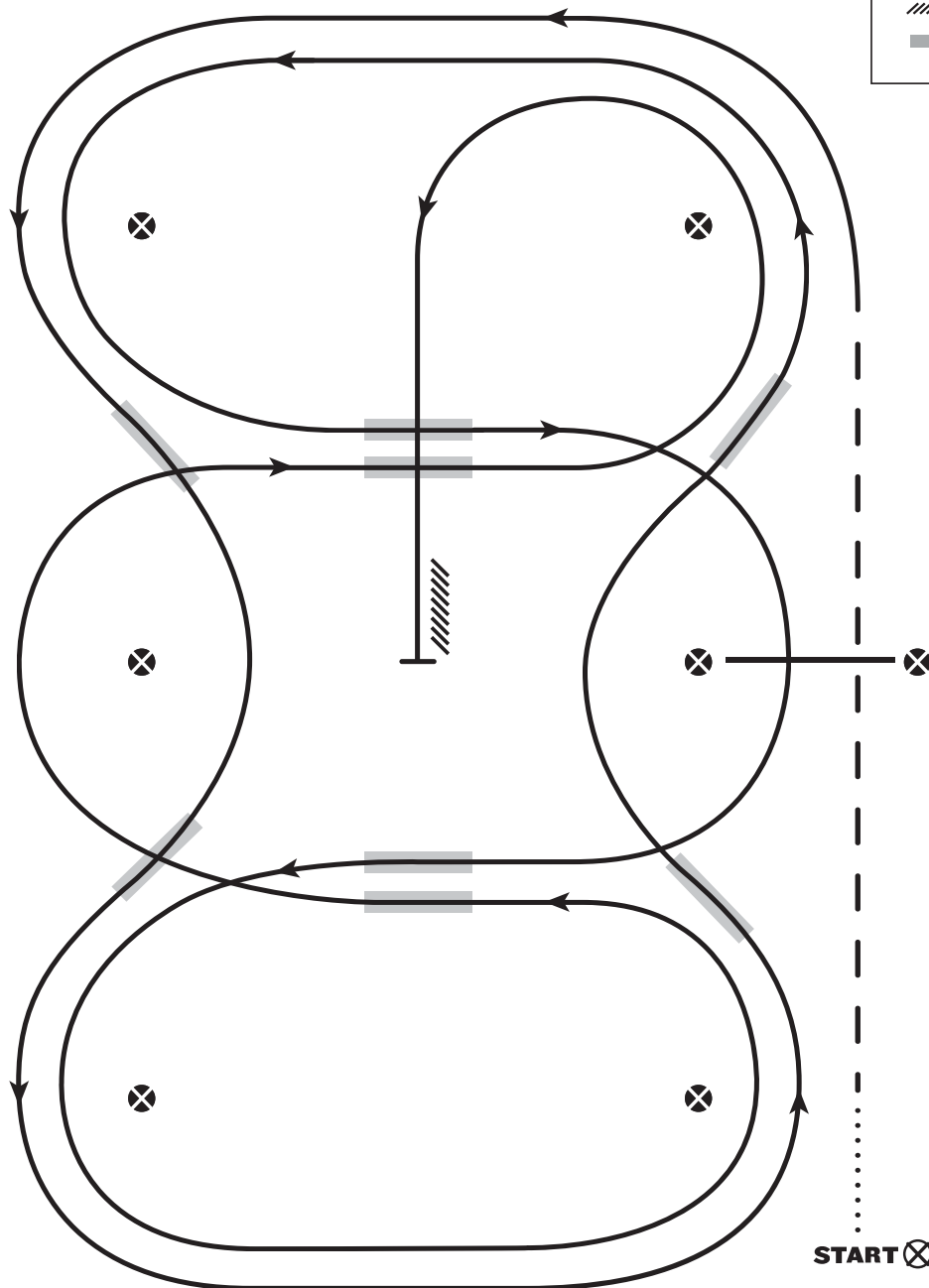
Monday, October 12

WESTERN RIDING - PATTERN 5

Recommended For Small Arenas

LEGEND

.....	Walk
- - -	Jog
— — —	Lope
//////	Back
■	Lead Changing Area

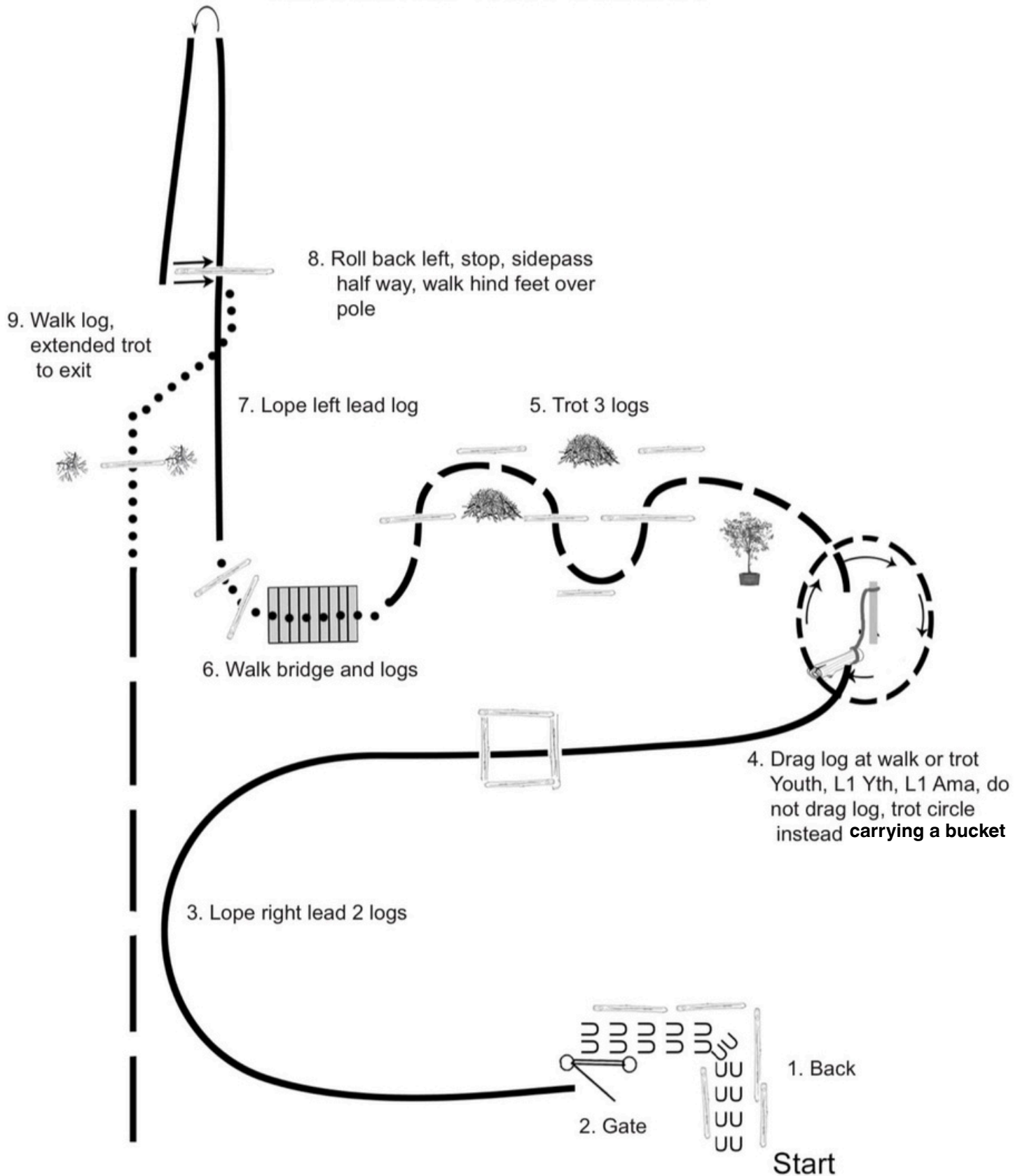


1. Walk at least 15 feet from start cone to the first marker, transition to jog, jog over log.
2. Transition to the lope left lead
3. First line change
4. Second line change
5. Third line change
6. Fourth line change
7. First crossing change
8. Lope over log
9. Second crossing change
10. Third crossing change
11. Fourth crossing change
12. Lope, stop & back

Ranch Trail

Monday Oct 12th

All Ranch Trail Classes

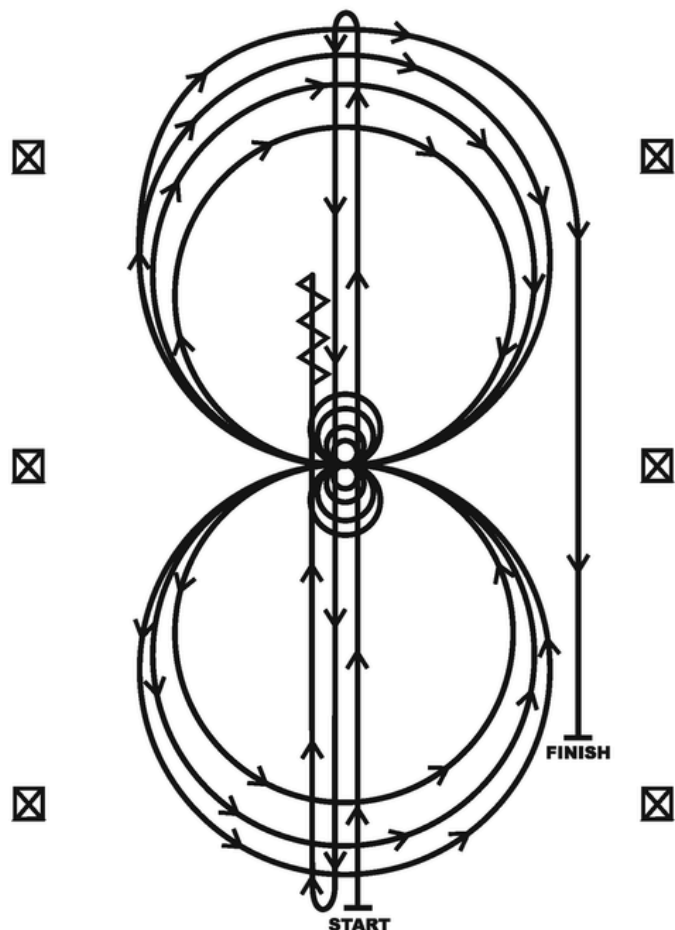


Thanksgiving Classic

Reining

Show Date: October 12

REINING PATTERN 7



1. Run at speed to the far end of the arena past the end marker and do a left rollback—no hesitation.
2. Run to the opposite end of the arena past the end marker and do a right rollback—no hesitation.
3. Run past the center marker and do a sliding stop. Back up to the center of the arena or at least ten feet (three meters). Hesitate.
4. Complete four spins to the right. Hesitate.
5. Complete four and one-quarter spins to the left so that horse is facing left wall or fence. Hesitate.
6. Beginning on the right lead, complete three circles to the right: the first two circles large fast; the third circle small and slow. Change leads at the center of the arena.
7. Complete three circles to the left: the first two circles large fast; the third circle small and slow. Change leads at the center of the arena.
8. Begin a large circle to the right but do not close this circle. Run straight down the right side of the arena past the center marker and do a sliding stop at least twenty feet (six meters) from the wall or fence. Hesitate to demonstrate completion of the pattern.

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