



# USEA NOVICE/BEGINNER NOVICE THREE-DAY EVENT TEST PROCEDURES & POLICIES

**Definition:** To further preserve the Classic Three-day Format first initiated with the Training Three-day Event. Novice would include Phases A & C (Roads & Tracks), B (Steeplechase), and D (Endurance). Beginner Novice would include all phases; Phase B (Steeplechase) will focus on pace with the option to include jumping efforts. Organizers must combine educational components in conjunction with a competition format.

## GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

### USEA Registration – Eventing Test:

- N3D & BN3D must be offered in conjunction with a USEA Recognized Competition.
- Levels will count toward USEA Year-end Awards and AEC qualifications.
- Points awarded will be the same value earned at the CIC1\* level, with the addition of clean completion points (no cross-country jump penalties) of 3 points.

### Membership/Qualifications/Starter Fees:

- Riders must be USEA members. Horses must be properly registered.
- USEA Fees (Drug/Meds/Admin/Starter) of \$21.00 to be collected.

### Qualifications:

- Beginner Novice: The rider must complete with a numerical final score 4 USEA Recognized Beginner Novice Horse Trials or higher.
- Novice: The rider must complete with a numerical final score 4 USEA Recognized Novice Horse Trials or higher.

*Note: Horse Trials recognized by foreign NFs accepted.*

### Officials:

- Either the Technical Delegate or Judge must be a large R USEF Licensed Eventing Official.
- Course Designer must be a small “r” USEF licensed Eventing Course Designer.

### Educational Components:

Organizers are strongly encouraged to offer “mini-clinics” with knowledgeable horseman of the Classic Format, i.e. upper level competitors, event officials and veterinarians, in conjunction with the Event that would provide the necessary education to safely compete in the classic format and build a solid base of good horsemanship skills. Following are suggestions of educational activities that should be part of the curriculum:

#### Demonstrations

Horse Inspection  
Roads & Tracks  
Steeplechase

#### Seminars

What happens in the Vet/10 minute Box?  
Cross-country course walks.  
Jumping course walks  
Equipment for cross-country...studs and more.

**Scoring:** In accordance with the current *USEF Rules for Eventing*

**Dress/Saddlery:** In accordance with the current *USEF Rules for Eventing*.

**Show Jumping:** Heights/Spreads/Drops: Horse Trials Specifications for applicable level.

# ENDURANCE SPECIFICATIONS

*Speeds, Times, Distances, Maximum Jumping Efforts and Heights*

## NOVICE

<b>Dressage Test:</b>	USEA Novice 3-day Event Test – Standard Arena USEF Training Level Test A – Small Arena	
<b>Phase A:</b>	Time:	10-16 minutes
	Distance:	2200-3520 meters
	Speed:	220 mpm
<b>Phase B:</b>	Time:	2 or 3 minutes
	Distance:	940-1410 meters
	Speed:	470 mpm
	Efforts:	3-6
	Maximum Brush Height:	3'7"; minimum 6" of brush
<b>Phase C:</b>	Time:	15-25 minutes
	Distance:	2400-5500 meters
	Speed:	160 or 220 mpm
<b>Phase D:</b>	Distance:	1600-2200 meters
	Speed:	400 mpm
	Efforts: 1	6-22 and not more than one effort per 100 meters commenced

## BEGINNER NOVICE

<b>Dressage Test:</b>	USEF Novice Test A – Small Arena	
<b>Phase A:</b>	Time:	10-16 minutes
	Distance:	2200-3520 meters
	Speed:	220 mpm
<b>Phase B:</b>	Time:	2 or 3 minutes
	Distance:	800 to 1200 meters
	Speed:	400 mpm
	Efforts:	0 to 6
	Maximum Brush Height:	3'0"; minimum 6" of brush.
<b>Phase C:</b>	Time:	15-25 minutes
	Distance:	2400-5500 meters
	Speed:	160 or 220 mpm
<b>Phase D:</b>	Distance:	1400 to 2000 meters
	Speed:	350 mpm
	Efforts: 14-18	and not more than one effort per 100 meters commenced