

2022 USEA STARTER TEST

For use in tests below Beginner Novice level. Trot rising or sitting

Purpose: To show an understanding of riding the horse forward with a steady tempo into an elastic contact with independent steady hands and balanced seat. **Small Arena:** 20m x 40m . **Time:** Approximately 4:00. *Add 2 minutes for scheduling.*

		TEST	DIRECTIVE IDEA
1.	A-X-M M	Enter working trot Track left	Quality and regularity of trot; straightness on center line, balance on turns.
2.	E	Circle left 20 meters	Quality and regularity of trot; bend and balance; size and shape of circle.
3.	А	Circle left 20 meters, developing left lead canter in first quarter of circle	Willing, calm transition, quality and regularity of gaits; size and shape of circle; bend and balance.
4.	Between A and B	Working trot	Willing, calm transition; quality and regularity of gaits; balance.
5.	Between M and C	Medium walk	Willing, calm transition; quality and regularity of gaits.
6.	H-X-F	Change rein free walk	Quality and regularity of walk with reach and ground cover; allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward.
7.	Between F and A	Develop medium walk	Willing, calm transition; quality and regularity of walk.
8.	Between A and K	Working trot	Willing, calm transition; quality and regularity of gaits.
9.	E	Circle right 20 meters	Quality and regularity of trot; size and shape of circle; bend and balance.
10.	С	Circle right 20 meters, developing right lead canter on first quarter of circle	Willing, calm transition, quality and regularity of gaits; size and shape of circle; bend and balance.
11.	Between C and B	Working trot	Willing, calm transition; quality and regularity of gaits; balance.
12.	K-X-G	Onto centerline	Quality and regularity of trot; straightness on center line; balance and bend on turn.
13.	G	Halt through the walk, salute.	Willing, calm transitions; straight, attentive halt; immobility (min. 3 seconds).

Leave arena free walk at A.

All trot work may be done rising or sitting.

COLLECTIVE MARKS								
Harmony of athlete and horse	A confident partnership created by adhering to the scale of training.	10	2					
TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS:						150		