



Drive-2 Challenge Test

Effective 01/01/22

Arena 40m x 80m, continuous or non-continuous arena surround with 8 cones obstacles. Suggested Draw Time – 12 minutes

Event Identification No.:

Horse/s	Athlete
Backstepper/Navigator/s	Date
Judge Name	Judge Position

May be used for EA Participant or Competitor classes. When used as a Competitor class, horse/s must be EA registered.

PURPOSE – To confirm that the horse/s demonstrate correct basics, and in addition to the requirements of Drive-1 level, has developed the thrust to achieve improved balance and throughness, maintaining a more consistent contact with the bit.

INTRODUCES – Trot with stretch forward & downward while maintaining a longer contact, more development of lengthened trot, less progressive transitions, more technical cones
INSTRUCTIONS -

1. Horses/ponies must be at least five years old.
2. There is no time limit on the cones section. The Cones phase should be driven smoothly, showing rhythm, looseness, flow, connection to driver, straightness through cones and bend through body as required, according to the FEI Scale of Training.
3. Judge ONE will be positioned at B. Judge TWO, when used for Competitor events, will be positioned at C.
4. Two- or four-wheeled carriages may be used. Wheel width shall be 138cm for all singles, pony pairs and pony four-in-hand, 148cm for horse pairs, and 158cm for horse four-in-hand. Cones width will have at least a 30cm clearance (e.g. 168cm for a 138cm vehicle).
5. A competent adult navigator/backstepper shall be on the carriage at all times, for child (under 18) drivers. A navigator/backstepper is compulsory for all singles in a four-wheeled or two-wheeled vehicle, and for all pairs in this test. A navigator AND a backstepper is required on all four-in-hand in this test.
6. EA-approved helmets compulsory for everyone on the carriage. Gloves necessary for athlete and navigator/backstepper/s. Aprons optional.
7. Back/body protectors are compulsory for drivers and navigator/backsteppers under 18 years. They are strongly encouraged for everyone on a carriage.
8. This test can be commanded, unobtrusively, by the navigator/backstepper without penalty. Athletes are strongly encouraged to KNOW THEIR TEST.

TEST		Judge Directives	REMARKS
1	A C CMFA	Enter at working trot and proceed directly to E, follow the track to C Halt with driver at C, immobility, Salute Proceed at working trot	Quality of trot Transition to halt, immobility Transition to working trot
2	AC CM	Three loop serpentine, each loop going to the longside Working trot	Consistent tempo, regularity Bend, set out and shape of loops
3	MXK KAB	Lengthened trot on the diagonal Working trot	Consistent tempo, regularity Willingness to lengthen and maintain balance, transitions
4	BEB	Circle 40m left, first half allowing the horse/s to reach forward and downward to a longer contact, second half, retake the reins and continue in working trot	Consistent tempo, regularity Bending to circle line, willingness to stretch and maintain balance
5	BX XE	Half 20m circle left Half 20m circle right	Consistent tempo, regularity Bend on half circles Set out and shape of figure
6	EB BFAK	Half circle 40m right, working trot Working trot	Consistent tempo. Regularity Bend and balance on circle
7	K KV V L	Transition to walk Walk Turn right Halt 10 seconds, with driver over the centreline, reinback 5 steps, proceed in walk	Transition, quality of walk Quality of submission Immobility, clear diagonal steps in rein back Willingness to move forward
8	P PR R MCH	Turn left Free walk Retake the reins and transition to working trot before M Working trot	Regularity of walk, activity, ground cover, stretch over the back in free walk Transitions
9	HEK KA	Lengthened trot on the longside Working trot	Consistent tempo, regularity willingness to lengthen and maintain balance Transitions
10	A B	Commence Cones Phase Cones 1 through 8. Turn left after 4. After completion, drive up to the judge at B Halt with driver side-on to B and salute.	Obedience & flow through cones Preparations by driver Transition to halt at B, immobility
Leave arena at working trot			

Drive-2 Challenge Test - ATHLETE NAME & HORSE/S ID									
Category	Description	Judging Directives			Marks (out of 10)	Co-eff	Total	Comments	
Dressage	Basic Paces, Walk	Regularity, freedom in the shoulder, active hind-quarters, stretching to the contact, relaxation				1			
	Basic paces, Trot	Rhythm, Consistent tempo, swinging back, stretching to the contact when required, quality of the lengthened strides				2			
	Basic paces, Lengthened Trot	Rhythm, impulsion, clear difference lengthening of the frame and steps, swinging back, covering ground, balance, transitions				1			
Cones		Obedience, maintaining consistent tempo, suppleness, contact, forward engagement, confidence and following the aids				2			
Overall Impression	Education of the horse/s according to the Training Scale	Rhythm, Suppleness, Contact (elasticity, willingness to stretch over the back, bending, obedience, responsiveness including halts). Multiples – harmony between the horses				2			
Athlete		Use of aids, handling of the reins, athlete position, set out and preparation for figures and transitions				2			
PENALTIES	Minus Dressage Penalties, as per EA Rules	1st error deduct 0.5%	2 nd error deduct an additional 1%	3 rd error elimination	No gloves on athlete and/or backstepper/navigator, deduct 1%	deduct ___%		Description of penalties if needed.	
	Minus Cones Penalties, as per EA Rules	Knocking down 1 or 2 balls in the same obstacle, deduct 1%. Maximum deduction for balls knockdown will be 3%				deduct ___%		Total number of cones obstacles for this test is EIGHT (8). Number of obstacles with cones down _____ Description of other penalties if needed.	
TOTAL	Out of a POSSIBLE 100%								Judge Signature _____

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