

D-3 FLOWCHART  
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RIDING ON THE FLAT		Sign off/notes
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Demonstrate emergency dismount at the halt and walk.</li> <li>- Adjust stirrups and girth (keeping feet in the stirrups) while mounted at the halt</li> </ul>	
<b>WARM UP</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Perform balancing and suppling exercises for rider at walk and trot</li> <li>- Ride without stirrups at the sitting trot</li> <li>- Demonstrate a simple step back</li> <li>- Discuss at least three reasons for doing balancing/suppling exercises</li> </ul>	
<b>MOVEMENTS</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Perform round 20-meter circles, in both directions, at walk, at sitting trot, at rising trot with correct diagonals, and at canter with correct leads.</li> <li>- Demonstrate increase and decrease of speed at the trot by passing riders on rail and taking the lead.</li> <li>- Discuss performance with Examiner and whether or not circles were round and natural aids were used correctly</li> </ul>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Rider should show a basic balanced position through the flat work</li> </ul>	
<b>RIDING OVER FENCES</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Trot over ground poles, followed by crossrail.</li> </ul>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jump a simple stadium course of five to seven obstacles, height not to exceed 2'6"</li> <li>- Discuss performance, reasons for any disobedience</li> </ul>	
<b>RIDING IN THE OPEN</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ride safely with a group, at the walk and trot, over varied terrain, through shallow water and small ditches as occur in natural terrain (ditches to be unrevetted).</li> </ul>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jump simple cross-country obstacles, not to exceed 2'6".</li> <li>- Discuss ways to control a pony in the open.</li> <li>- Discuss performance with Examiner.</li> <li>- Speed should not exceed 240 meters per minute or 300 meters per minute, appropriate for the size of horse.</li> </ul>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Rider should show a secure base of support while developing balance and a steady position over fences.</li> </ul>	
<b>TURN OUT</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Rider in safe and neat attire</li> <li>- Pony to be clean and neatly groomed, with feet picked out, showing farrier care.</li> <li>- Tack to be properly adjusted, safe and clean.</li> <li>- Describe formal attire, informal attire.</li> </ul>	
<b>CONDITIONING / NUTRITION</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Know five to seven basic rules for feeding and explain feeding schedule to include amount of roughage and amounts of concentrates per ration for own pony.</li> <li>- Describe care of pony after strenuous work, to include cooling out, inspection of legs, watering and feeding.</li> </ul>	
<b>PARTS OF PONY / CONFORMATION &amp; LAMENESS</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Identify at least 20 parts of the pony, to include withers, hock, fetlock, pastern, gaskin, croup, loins, etc.</li> <li>- Know common conformation faults of neck, back, shoulder, head and pasterns.</li> <li>- Describe the characteristics of a strange pony clearly enough for another person to recognize it within a group. Include: color, breed, markings, size, sex, and obvious conformation characteristics.</li> <li>- Describe how to measure height of pony.</li> </ul>	

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<b>STABLE MANAGEMENT</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Demonstrate how to clean and bed a stall, giving reasons for each step.</li> <li>- Know use of haynet and the dangers of improper use...</li> </ul>	
<b>LAND CONSERVATION</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Name three important rules when riding across privately-owned land.</li> <li>- Write thank-you notes to two landowners who support your club and tell them why you appreciate being able to use their land. If you ride on public land, write a thank-you note to the manager or contact person.</li> </ul>	
<b>LEADING &amp; LONGEING</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lead correctly, moving pony forward with whip or assistance (if necessary).</li> <li>- Do walk-trot-walk-halt transitions in hand.</li> <li>- Lead safely from both sides.</li> </ul>	
<b>HEALTH CARE / VETERINARY KNOWLEDGE / BANDAGING</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Name some symptoms of a sick or injured pony that would cause you to seek help.</li> <li>- Describe what critical areas are protected by shipping bandages or boots, and give reasons for their use.</li> <li>- Apply protective boots and bell boots on own pony (with supervision)</li> <li>- Apply stable wrap, with assistance.</li> <li>- Describe obvious signs of a foot needing shoeing or trimming.</li> </ul>	
<b>TRAVEL SAFETY</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Know the basic rules for riding on public roads in your state.</li> <li>- Know procedure for mounted group crossing a public roadway.</li> <li>- Discuss the proper procedure for loading and unloading a pony</li> </ul>	
<b>INTRODUCTION TO HORSE SPORTS</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Name five horse sports offered in USPC.</li> </ul>	
<b>RECORD BOOK</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The D-3 candidate is expected to keep careful records of veterinary visits, and general health of pony. Record Book must be brought to test. (A minimum of 3 months is required)</li> </ul>	

**RIDING TEST EXPECTATIONS**

Candidate should ride in a basic balanced position with control at the walk, trot, and canter. Candidate should maintain a secure base of support while developing balance and a steady position over fences.

**HORSE MANAGEMENT EXPECTATIONS**

The candidate should be able to demonstrate simple skills without assistance, and to discuss pony care, using common horse terms.