

## Purpose of Preliminary Level Tests



To confirm that the horse demonstrates correct basics, is supple and moves freely forward in a clear rhythm with a steady tempo, accepting contact with the bit.

#### Introduces

- 1A: Working trot, working canter, medium walk, free walk on a long rein, 20m circles in trot and canter
- 1B: Stretch circle in trot
- 1C: Serpentine in trot
- 1D: Give & retake the reins for 2-3 strides in trot, 5m loop in trot

#### Instructions

To be ridden in a snaffle. All trot sitting or rising unless specified otherwise. Halts may be through walk.

| Collective Marks   | Coeff |
|--|-------|
| Paces<br>(Freedom and regularity)  | 1     |
| Impulsion<br>(Desire to move forward, elasticity of the steps, relaxation of the back and engagement of<br>the hindquarters)   | 1     |
| Submission<br>(Willing cooperation, harmony, attention and confidence; acceptance of bit and aids,<br>straightness, lightness of the forehand and ease of movements) | 2     |
| Rider's position and seat; correctness and effective use of the aids<br>(Clarity, subtlety, independence, accuracy of test)  | 2     |



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Test Time: 5:00 Minutes or 4:00 minutes (from entry at A to final halt)

Suggested Draw Time: 8:00 minutes 60x20 or 7:00 minutes 40x20

| TEST |   |  | DIRECTIVE  | Coeff |
|------|---|--|--|-------|
| 1    | A<br>X                                  | Enter in working trot<br>Halt, Salute<br>Proceed in working trot                   | Regularity and quality of trot; willing calm transitions; straightness, attentiveness; immobility (min 3 secs)   |       |
| 2    | C<br>E<br>EA                            | Track left<br>Circle left 20m<br>Working trot                                      | Regularity and quality of trot; shape<br>and size of circle; bend; balance   | 2     |
| 3    | А                                       | Circle left 20m,<br>developing left lead canter<br>in first quarter of circle      | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of paces; shape and size of circle; bend; balance   |       |
| 4    | AFB                                     | Working canter   | Regularity and quality of canter; bend and balance in corner;straightness  |       |
| 5    | Between<br>B & M                        | Working trot   | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of paces; straightness; bend and balance in corner  | 2     |
| 6    | CE                                      | Medium walk  | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of walk, bend and balance in corner   | 2     |
| 7    | EF<br>FA                                | Change rein in free walk<br>on a long rein<br>Medium walk                          | Regularity and quality of walks; reach and ground<br>cover of free walk allowing complete freedom to<br>stretch the neck forward and downward into a light<br>contact; straightness; clear, balanced transitions | 2     |
| 8    | AE                                      | Working trot   | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of trot; bend and balance in corner; straightness   |       |
| 9    | E<br>EC                                 | Circle right 20m<br>Working trot   | Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of circle; bend; balance  | 2     |
| 10   | С                                       | Circle right 20m,<br>developing right lead<br>canter in first quarter of<br>circle | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of paces; shape and size of circle; bend; balance   |       |
| 11   | СМВ                                     | Working canter   | Regularity and quality of canter; bend and balance in corner; straightness   |       |
| 12   | Between<br>B & F<br>FA                  | Working trot<br>Working trot   | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of trot; straightness; bend and balance in corner   | 2     |
| 13   | A<br>X                                  | Down centre line<br>Halt, Salute   | Bend and balance in turn, regularity and quality<br>of trot, willing, calm transition; straightness,<br>attentiveness; immobility (min 3 secs)   |       |
|      | Leave arena in walk on a long rein at A |  |  |       |



### **Preliminary 1B**<sub>©</sub> Equestrian Sports New Zealand Dressage Test 2019

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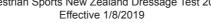
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|    | •                                       | TEST  |  | Coeff |
| 1  | A<br>X                                  | Enter in working trot<br>Halt, Salute<br>Proceed in working trot  | Regularity and quality of trot; willing calm<br>transitions; straightness, attentiveness; immobility<br>(min 3 secs)   |       |
| 2  | C<br>B<br>BK                            | Track right<br>Circle right 20m<br>Working trot   | Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of circle; bend; balance  |       |
| 3  | KXM<br>MC                               | Change rein<br>Working trot   | Regularity and quality of trot; straightness; bend and balance in corner   | 2     |
| 4  | Between<br>C & H<br>HE                  | Working canter left lead<br>Working canter  | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of canter; bend and balance in corner; straightness   | 2     |
| 5  | E                                       | Circle left 20m   | Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance  |       |
| 6  | Between<br>E & K<br>KA                  | Working trot<br>Working trot  | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of trot; straightness   |       |
| 7  | A<br>Before<br>A<br>AF                  | Circle left 20m rising trot,<br>allowing the horse to<br>stretch forward and<br>downward<br>Shorten the reins<br>Working trot | Forward and downward stretch over the back into<br>a light contact maintaining balance and quality of<br>trot; bend; shape and size of circle; willing, calm<br>transitions                                      |       |
| 8  | F<br>FE                                 | Medium walk<br>Change rein, medium<br>walk  | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of walk   | 2     |
| 9  | EM<br>MC                                | Change rein, free walk<br>on a long rein<br>Medium walk   | Regularity and quality of walks; reach and ground<br>cover of free walk allowing complete freedom to<br>stretch the neck forward and downward into a light<br>contact; straightness; clear, balanced transitions | 2     |
| 10 | C<br>CE                                 | Working trot<br>Working trot  | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of trot;<br>bend and balance in corner; straightness  |       |
| 11 | E<br>EF                                 | Circle left 20m<br>Working trot   | Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of circle; bend; balance  |       |
| 12 | FXH<br>HC                               | Change rein<br>Working trot   | Regularity and quality of trot; straightness; bend and balance in corner   | 2     |
| 13 | Between<br>C & M<br>MB                  | Working canter right lead<br>Working canter   | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of paces; bend and balance in corner; straightness  | 2     |
| 14 | В                                       | Circle right 20m  | Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance  |       |
| 15 | Between<br>B & F<br>FA                  | Working trot<br>Working trot  | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of paces; straightness  |       |
| 16 | A<br>X                                  | Down centre line<br>Halt, Salute  | Bend and balance in turn, regularity and quality<br>of trot, willing, calm transition; straightness,<br>attentiveness; immobility (min 3 secs)   |       |
|    | Leave arena in walk on a long rein at A |   |  |       |

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### Preliminary 1C<sub>©</sub> Equestrian Sports New Zealand Dressage Test 2019





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|    |   | TEST  | DIRECTIVE  | Coeff |
|----|---|---|--|-------|
| 1  | A<br>X                                  | Enter in working trot<br>Halt, Salute<br>Proceed in working trot  | Regularity and quality of trot; willing calm<br>transitions; straightness, attentiveness; immobility<br>(min 3 secs)   |       |
| 2  | C<br>HXF<br>FA                          | Track left<br>Change rein<br>Working trot   | Regularity and quality of trot;straightness; bend and balance in turns   |       |
| 3  | AC                                      | Serpentine 3 equal loops width of the arena   | Regularity and quality of trot, supple changes of<br>bend on centreline; geometry; balance   | 2     |
| 4  | Between<br>C & M<br>MB                  | Working canter right lead<br>Working canter   | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of canter; bend and balance in corner; straightness   |       |
| 5  | B<br>BA                                 | Circle right 20m<br>Working canter  | Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance  |       |
| 6  | А                                       | Working trot  | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of trot; bend and balance in corner   | 2     |
| 7  | Before<br>K<br>KE                       | Medium walk<br>Medium walk  | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of walk   | 2     |
| 8  | EM<br>MC                                | Change rein in free walk<br>on a long rein<br>Medium walk   | Regularity and quality of walks; reach and ground<br>cover of free walk allowing complete freedom to<br>stretch the neck forward/ downward, into a light<br>contact. Straightness; clear, balanced transitions | 2     |
| 9  | С                                       | Working trot  | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of trot   |       |
| 10 | CA                                      | Serpentine 3 equal loops width of the arena   | Regularity and quality of trot, supple changes of<br>bend on centreline; geometry; balance   | 2     |
| 11 | Between<br>A & F<br>FB                  | Working canter left lead<br>Working canter  | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of canter; bend and balance in corner; straightness   |       |
| 12 | B<br>BC                                 | Circle left 20m<br>Working canter   | Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance  |       |
| 13 | C<br>CE                                 | Working trot<br>Working trot  | Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of trot;<br>bend and balance in corner; straightness  | 2     |
| 14 | E<br>Before<br>E<br>EA                  | Circle left 20m rising trot,<br>allowing the horse to<br>stretch forward/downward<br>while maintaining contact<br>Shorten the reins<br>Working trot | Forward and downward stretch over the back into a<br>light contact maintaining balance and quality of<br>trot; bend; shape and size of circle.<br>Willing, calm transitions                                    | 2     |
| 15 | A<br>X                                  | Down centre line<br>Halt, Salute  | Bend and balance in turn, regularity and quality<br>of trot, willing, calm transition; straightness,<br>attentiveness; immobility (min 3 secs)   |       |
|    | Leave arena in walk on a long rein at A |   |  |       |



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|    |   | TEST   | DIRECTIVE  | Coeff |  |
|----|---|--|--|-------|--|
| 1  | A<br>X<br>C                             | Enter working trot<br>Halt, Salute<br>Proceed in working trot<br>Track right | Regularity and quality of trot; willing calm transitions; straightness, attentiveness; immobility (min 3 secs) |       |  |
| 2  | MF<br>F                                 | One loop 5 metres in<br>from track<br>Working trot                           | The balance, fluency and quality of the trot and design of the loop  |       |  |
| 3  | А                                       | 20m circle right working trot  | The roundness of the circle. The regularity, bend and balance of the trot                                      |       |  |
| 4  | KXM                                     | Change the rein working<br>trot & give both reins for<br>2-3 strides over X  | The balance and quality of the trot. The clear giving of reins maintaining the balance of the trot             | 2     |  |
| 5  | С                                       | 20m circle working trot left   | The roundness of the circle. The regularity, bend and balance of the trot                                      |       |  |
| 6  | нк<br>к                                 | One loop 5 metres in<br>from track<br>Working trot                           | The balance, fluency and quality of the trot and design of the loop  |       |  |
| 7  | Between<br>A & F                        | Working canter left  | The fluency and balance of the transition and canter   |       |  |
| 8  | В                                       | Circle left 20m working canter   | The quality of the canter. The bend. The roundness of the circle   |       |  |
| 9  | HXF<br>Between<br>X & F                 | Change the rein<br>Working trot  | The fluency and balance of the transition and the trot   |       |  |
| 10 | Α                                       | Medium walk  | The transition. The regularity and energy of the walk  |       |  |
| 11 | КВН                                     | Free walk on a long rein   | The regularity, relaxation, groundcover and lengthening of frame   | 2     |  |
| 12 | Н                                       | Medium walk  | The transition. The regularity and energy of the walk  |       |  |
| 13 | С                                       | Working trot   | The fluency and balance of the transition and the trot   |       |  |
| 14 | Between<br>C & M                        | Working canter right   | The fluency and balance of the transition and canter   |       |  |
| 15 | В                                       | Circle right 20m working canter  | The quality of the canter. The bend. The roundness of the circle   |       |  |
| 16 | F                                       | Working trot   | The fluency and balance of the transition and the trot   |       |  |
| 17 | А                                       | Turn down centre line  | The bend and balance on the turn. The straightness on centreline   |       |  |
| 18 | х                                       | Halt, Immobility & Salute  | Willing calm transition, straightness, attentiveness; immobility(min 3 secs)                                   |       |  |
|    | Leave arena in walk on a long rein at A |  |  |       |  |