

HORSEMANSHIP CHALLENGE

LEVEL 1

Video or Live

Horse must be at least 39 months of age to challenge

Demonstration of safety, calmness, and responsiveness

Bridling – headstall with bit or rope halter

**Acceptance of Bridle and Bit*

Saddling (tied or free standing)

From the near side

From the off side

** Horse has been handled from both sides*

- Before mounting, handler asks horse to bend head and neck to left, right and down

Mounting the horse

(Horse may be saddled or bareback)

(Mounting box or fence or other assist may be used)

- Mount the horse paying attention to safety
- Horse stands still for at least 30 seconds
- Rider asks for the head and neck to be bent to the left, right and down
 - Horse walks forward in a relaxed manner
 - Halt horse for at least 30 seconds
 - Back horse 3 steps
 - Turn either direction and walk on
 - Halt for 30 seconds
 - Dismount on the off side

**Response to the handler*

Horse is calm

** Horse willingly gives head and neck*

****Horse is calm before and after mounting***

**Horse stands still after mounting*

**Reaction to handling on both sides*

Level I Pattern

Either supplied by CRTWH or by Entry to include:

- Flat Walks for at least 100 feet in both directions Or one round of arena in both directions
- Running Walk for at least 100 feet in both directions
- Three 20 meter circle in both directions
- Two changes of direction (big serpentine or loops or a straight line of at least 50 feet) with horse on a relaxed rein (relaxed rein is with a loop in the rein and minimal bit contact)
- 3 halts
- 3 back-ups of at least 6 steps
- Leg yield right at least 15 feet
- Leg yield left at least 15 feet

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| Level 2 Horse must be at least 48 months of age Video home or arena | Level 3 Horse must be at least 54 months of age Public test or official documentation |
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| <p>Pattern: Either supplied by CRTWH or by Entry) to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flat Walk for at least 75 feet in both directions • Running Walk for at least 100 feet in both directions • Canter or lope for at least 100 feet in both directions (Lead not important) • Canter or lope a 20 meter or larger circle to the left. (Lead not important) • Canter or lope a 20 meter or larger circle to the right. (Lead not important) • At least one simple lead change • 3 halts and 3 back-ups (quiet for approximately 10 seconds) before a 5 step back-up • 360 degree turn on the haunches in both directions • 360 degree turn on the forehand in both directions | <p>Pattern: Either supplied by CRTWH or by Entry to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flat Walk for at least 50 feet in both directions • Running Walk for at least 100 feet in both directions • Canter or lope in both directions for at least 75 feet on the correct lead • At least 2 20 meter circles to the left at the flat walk • At least 2 20 meter circles to the right at the flat walk • At least 2 20 meter circles to the left at the canter/lope • At least 2 20 meter circles to the right at the canter/lope • At least 1 10 meter circle to the left at the flat walk and at the canter/lope • At least 1 10 meter circle to the right at the flat walk and at the canter/lope • At least 2 flying lead changes from right to left and left to right OR counter canter in both directions • side pass of at least 15 feet in both directions • 360 degree turn on the forehand in either direction • 360 degree turn on the haunches in either direction • At least 2 halts with immobility for 30 seconds on a loose rein • Back a cloverleaf pattern around 3 obstacles. Maximum 10 feet distance between obstacles |