

## Dressage Scribe

The job: Make sure the rider's number matches the one on the pre-labeled test and document the judges scores and remarks.

- You will have a lot of paperwork to keep track of. Make sure that the test you are writing on **matches the bridle number of the horse** that is about to enter the arena. If the numbers do not match, alert the judge to the problem and attempt to identify the horse and rider who have presented themselves. Quickly find the right score sheet for that horse, if available, or use one of the extra tests provided. Papers can get out of order, a horse might scratch, or someone may have dropped a stack of papers and put them back in the wrong order. Getting off track with one test can set you off on the wrong foot for a whole string of entries. Don't be afraid to call out to the rider to confirm their number before they go into the arena.
- Tip from a pro scribe:** write down something distinguishing about the horse or rider—like “chestnut horse with blaze” or “bright red polo”.
- Your job is to write the judge's comments and the scores. If you do not hear the judge, or miss a score, **ASK THEM**. It's very difficult to go back and figure out what number should be assigned to a particular movement, so it's better to briefly interrupt by asking them to repeat the score as quickly as possible.
- Be sure to write down full points and half points. Rather than writing “7”, write “7.0” for full points or “7.5” for half points. You do not need to write down coefficients, and you do not need to calculate final scores – the scorer will handle that.
- If you get behind and have to choose between writing down a comment and writing down a score, always record the score. You can leave the comment section blank for a movement or two if you need to catch up.
- Always write the scores and comments in PEN. Pencils may not be used. Use a **RED** pen when making deductions for errors.
- Be certain to write down **EXACTLY** what the judge says. Scribes may not paraphrase.
- If a ride scratches (cancels) or just does not show up, write “scratch” or “no show” on the score sheet (on the label, if there is one) and turn it into the runner with the other score sheets. This way the scorer will not hold up the posting of class scores due to waiting for another dressage test.

2023 USEF TRAINING LEVEL TEST 1

INTRODUCE: Working trot, working canter, medium walk, free walk, 20m circles in trot and canter

ENTRY NO.: 10

CONDITIONS: ARENA SIZE: Standard or Small; ADVANCE AGE: 5:00 (Old) or 4:00 (Small); (Use entry of A to final halt); Suggested to not at least 2 min. for schooling purposes

MAXIMUM PTS: 250

TEST	DIRECTIVES	POINTS	COEF	TOTAL	REMARKS
1. A X	Enter working trot Halt, salute Proceed working trot	Regularity and quality of trot; willing, calm transitions; straightness, attentiveness; irregularity (min. 3 seconds)	6.0		entry straight stepped off at halt
2. C E	Track left Circle left 20m	Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	6.5	2	Plan turn better
3. A	Circle left 20m developing left lead center in first quarter of circle	Willing, calm transitions; regularity and quality of gaits; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	7.0		nice rhythm nice round circle
4. A-F-B	Working canter	Regularity and quality of canter; bend and balance in corner; straightness	5.5		horse dropped contact & closed head on depart
5. Between B & M	Working trot	Willing, calm transitions; regularity and quality of gaits; straightness; bend and balance in corner	6.0	2	loss of rhythm & head
6. Between C & H	Medium walk	Willing, calm transition; regularity, quality, bend and balance in corner	4.0	2 <del>error</del>	Tran to walk passed H
7. E-F F	Change rein, free walk Medium walk	Regularity and quality of walk; neck, overtrack and ground cover of free walk allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward; straightness	8.0	2	nice, swinging free walk, straight

- After the ride is complete, make sure there is a score in every box. Make sure each test is signed by the judge before it is sent to the scorer. Any change of a score on the test should be initialed by the judge.
- Fold the test in half and put in the “out” box for the Runner to pick up.
- Check off each horse on the program as it completes the test. Keep an eye on the scheduled time, and if the judge requests it, inform the judge whenever the show is running behind by more than a few minutes.
- Scores and judges’ remarks are private and should not be discussed with anyone or shared on social media.

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Foothills Riding Club Show  
Name of Competition

3/25/2023  
Date of Competition

#10 BLAZER  
Name and Number of Horse

SALLY RIDER  
Name of Rider

Final Score  
Maximum PTS: 250

Points: 286 Percent: 100%

Name of Judge: RSG

Signature of Judge: [Red Signature]

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Notify the hospitality runner if drinks or emergency chocolate is needed. Have fun!