



INTRODUCTORY TESTS

Equitation Test A

The rider's horse/pony must be prepared beforehand.

Riders may be assisted with mounting, girths and stirrups may be adjusted for them.

The riders may be led.

1. Rider's position at the halt.
2. Know and apply the aids for walk.
3. Ride with a leader on the track at walk.
4. Know and apply the aids for halt.
5. Dismount (rider may be assisted).
6. Know 3 parts of the saddle and bridle.
7. Rider's position, balance and application of the aids.
8. How the rider made a partnership/rapport with the horse/pony.

Equitation Test B

The rider to have passed Equitation Test A before coming forward for this Test.

The following must be carried out to a reasonable standard.

The rider's horse/pony must be prepared beforehand.

1. Rider to lead horse/pony to the mounting block and mount with assistance.
2. Ride without a leader on the track at walk.
3. Know and apply the aids for turning left and right.
4. Know and apply the aids for trot.
5. Sitting trot on the track, with a leader if necessary.
6. Know and apply the aids to walk from trot.
7. Dismount, run up the stirrups and hold the horse/pony.
8. Rider's position, balance and application of aids.
9. How the rider made a partnership/rapport with the horse/pony.

Equitation Test C

The rider to have passed Equitation Tests A and B.

The rider's horse/pony must be prepared beforehand.

1. Rider to be able to mount with or without a mounting block (without assistance).
2. Rider to check girth and stirrups whilst mounted.
3. Rider to be able to ride on his or her own at walk.
4. Rider to be able to ride rising and sitting trot on his or her own.
5. Dismount, run up stirrups and prepare to lead in hand.
6. Rider to lead in hand.
7. Rider's position, balance and application of aids.
8. How the rider made a partnership/rapport with the horse/pony.

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Equitation Test D

*The rider to have passed Equitation Tests A, B and C.
The rider's horse/pony must be prepared beforehand.*

1. Rider to be able to collect a tacked up pony from a stable or stall.
2. Rider to be able to check the girth and length of stirrups from the ground.
3. Rider to mount from the ground, or with a leg up.
4. Rider to be able to ride a figure of eight across the diagonal in walk and trot.
5. Rider to be able to make changes of rein in trot.
6. Rider to be able to take the pony back to the stable or stall and leave safe and comfortable.
7. Rider's position, balance and application of the aids.
8. How the rider made a partnership/rapport with the horse/pony.

Equitation Test E

The rider to have passed Equitation Tests A, B, C and D.

1. Rider to catch a pony from a stable or stall.
2. Rider to tack a pony up with a saddle and snaffle bridle.
3. Rider to lead a pony from a stable or stall and mount.
4. Rider to walk and trot with changes of rein.
5. Rider to be able to demonstrate canter strides on both reins.
6. Rider to lead a pony back to a stable or stall and un-tack.
7. Rider's position, balance and application of the aids.
8. How the rider made a partnership/rapport with the horse/pony.

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Stable Management Test A

1. Know how to approach a pony in a stable or stall.
2. Name and show three points of a pony.
3. Name and show three parts of a saddle.
4. Name and show three parts of a bridle.
5. Name and show three items in a grooming kit.

Stable Management Test B

Candidate to have passed Stable Management Test A before coming forward for this Test.

1. Know what a headcollar is and put one on a pony.
2. Know and demonstrate how to use a hoof pick.
3. Know and demonstrate how and where to use a dandy brush.
4. Know and recognise three things that a pony eats.
5. Know five different colours of ponies.

Stable Management Test C

Candidate to have passed Stable Management Tests A and B.

1. Know how to catch a pony and put on a head collar.
2. Lead in hand.
3. Know how to tie up with a quick release knot.
4. Know how to turn a pony out safely into a field, with assistance.
5. Know when a pony should have water.
6. Know how to reward a pony.

Stable Management Test D

Candidate to have passed Stable Management Tests A, B and C.

1. Know how to tack up a pony with assistance if necessary.
2. Name and point to five parts of the bridle.
3. Name and point to five parts of the saddle.
4. Name and point to five parts of the pony.
5. Know how to pick out all four feet.
6. Know how to untack a pony.
7. Know safety precautions when handling ponies/horses.

Stable Management Test E

Candidate to have passed Stable Management Tests A, B, C and D.

1. Know how to check a pony at grass.
2. Know how to recognise the difference between good and bad hay.
3. Name and describe two poisonous plants.
4. Name and recognise three types of bedding.
5. Recognise when a pony is unwell.
6. Demonstrate how to brush off a pony before exercise.