

THE UNITED STATES PONY CLUBS, Inc.

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D-3 HORSE MANAGEMENT TEST SHEET

Candidate's Name _____ Name of Pony Club/Riding Center _____

District Commissioner/Center Administrator _____ Region _____

NOTE: Before beginning test, Examiners must read "Guidelines for Club/Center Certifications- D-1 through C-2" and the D Standard of Proficiency (SOP), including "Information for Candidates," "Testing Information," and "Examiners." Examiner must have copy of the SOP with them during test. Examiner comments must give specific reasons if a candidate does not pass any phase. Examiner may ask questions from previous Standard tests. **Turnout, Bandaging and Leading & Longeing may be tested separate from other sections. All sections must be passed to be awarded the D-3 HM certification.**

HORSE MANAGEMENT EXPECTATIONS: The candidate should be able to demonstrate simple skills without assistance, and to discuss care of the mount, beginning to use common horse terms.

<p>TURNOUT/TACK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rider in safe and neat attire, in accordance with the Standard of Proficiency (SOP). Mount to be well brushed, (no sweat), clean (no dirt), with feet picked out, showing farrier care. Mane and tail are to be brushed and eyes and nose, lips and dock wiped off. Tack is to be safe, especially stitching on stirrups and girth; and clean with no jockeys or dust, with stress-points clean, stirrup pads clean, and bit clean. All tack must be properly adjusted. Describe formal attire, informal attire. Describe proper adjustment of snaffle bridle with cavesson noseband. Describe proper adjustment of curb chain if used on own mount. 		<p>___ ES ___ MS ___ DNM S</p> <p>Date Tested _____</p> <p>Examiner Signature: _____</p>
<p>LEADING & LONGEING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate correctly jogging mount, moving mount forward with whip (if necessary). Lead safely from both sides. 		<p>___ ES ___ MS ___ DNM S</p> <p>Date Tested _____</p> <p>Examiner Signature: _____</p>
<p>BOOTS & BANDAGING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe critical areas protected by shipping bandages or boots and give reasons for their use. Describe a stable bandage and give two reasons they can be used. Apply polo wraps with assistance. 		<p>___ ES ___ MS ___ DNM S</p> <p>Date Tested _____</p> <p>Examiner Signature: _____</p>
<p>HEALTH CARE & VETERINARY KNOWLEDGE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name some symptoms of a sick or injured mount that would cause you to seek help. 		<p>___ ES</p> <p>___ DNMS</p> <p>___ MS</p>

KEY: ES = Exceeds Standard MS = Meets Standard DNMS = Does Not Meet Standard

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<p>STABLE MANAGEMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate and discuss how to clean a dirty/soiled stall. Demonstrate the proper steps and methods for removing manure and wet areas, how to bank a stall, and discuss the reasons for and benefits of regular stall cleaning for the health and safety of a mount. For testing purposes, a soiled horse trailer may be used. • Demonstrate and discuss the proper methods of hanging a water bucket and hay net/hay bag, hanging both at a proper height for a mount, at either a trailer or stall. Discuss the different needs of a mount during a day rally or clinic, or overnight stay. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>___ ES</p> <p style="text-align: right;">___ DNMS</p> <p>___ MS</p> </div>
<p>BREEDS, PARTS OF MOUNT, CONFORMATION & LAMENESS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name six horse breeds, four pony breeds, and five draft horse breeds. • Describe how to measure height of mount. • Identify at least 20 parts of the mount, to include hock, gaskin, withers, croup, fetlock, and pastern. • Know common conformation faults of neck, back, shoulder, head and pasterns. • Describe the characteristics of a strange mount clearly enough for another person to recognize it within a group. Include: color, breed, markings, size, sex, and obvious conformation characteristics. • Describe location of eyes and how this affects the mount's vision. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>___ ES</p> <p style="text-align: right;">___ DNMS</p> <p>___ MS</p> </div>
<p>TRAVEL SAFETY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know rules for riding safely on public roads in your state. • Know procedure for mounted group crossing a public roadway. • Discuss the proper procedure for loading and unloading a mount. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>___ ES</p> <p style="text-align: right;">___ DNMS</p> <p>___ MS</p> </div>
<p>CONDITIONING/NUTRITION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know 5-7 basic rules of feeding. • Discuss the amount of roughage and the amount of concentrates per ration for own mount. • Describe care of mount after strenuous work, to include cooling out, inspection of legs, watering and feeding. • Describe two indications a mount may not be fit enough for the work asked of him/her. • Know vital signs of mount at rest and what TPR stands for. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>___ ES</p> <p style="text-align: right;">___ DNMS</p> <p>___ MS</p> </div>
<p>HORSE SPORTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name five horse sports offered in USPC. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>___ ES</p> <p style="text-align: right;">___ DNMS</p> <p>___ MS</p> </div>
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<p>TEACHING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How would you explain to a D-1 member what TPRs mean on a stall card? 		<p>___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS</p>
<p>LAND CONSERVATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name three important rules when riding across privately-owned land. Write thank-you notes to two landowners who support your club or center 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. 		<p>___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS</p>
<p>FOOT & SHOEING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name three parts of the hoof. Describe obvious signs of a hoof needing shoeing or trimming. Discuss signs of thrush. 		<p>___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS</p>
<p>RECORD BOOK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The D-3 is expected to keep careful records of veterinary visits and general health of mount. Record Book must be brought to the test. A minimum of three months or records is required. 		<p>___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS</p>
<p>SAFETY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain 2 ways to cool off a rider during a hot day. Give at least 2 examples of when a riding helmet needs replacing. List some common injuries that may happen when a rider falls off a horse. 		<p>___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS</p>

COMMENTS (General impressions, suggestions for improvement):

When ALL sections have been tested, final Examiner sign here: _____

ES _____ MS _____ DNMS _____ PRINT EXAMINER NAME: _____ DATE: _____

Sections requiring retesting: (up to total of four)

A candidate may be re-tested as follows:

- Retest to cover not more than four sections of the test.
- A candidate may retest only if the candidate qualifies for a retest by passing the minimum number of sections stated on the test sheet and the original Examiner has recommended the candidate to retest.
- Failure of any section on that day will require retaking the entire test.
- Those testing during the current year have until December 1st of the following year to retest. Candidates must arrange for retests through their DC/CA.

ES _____ MS _____ DNMS _____

Retest Examiner SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____