

## **RIDDEN TEST FOR PERFORMANCE GRADING**

**ARENA TO BE AT LEAST 70m x 30m**

**TEST MAY BE READ OUT LOUD**

Pony to enter at walk and stand within the two cones set on front of the judges. At judges request walk around the perimeter of arena once, then trot once, then canter once and change the rein at walk and trot the perimeter once, then canter once and then come to a halt. Pony to walk away, going into a figure of eight using the whole arena, then a cantered figure of eight, again, using the whole arena (judges will be looking for good transitions and equal circles in the figures of eight). At the end of the show the pony should come back to a walk and come to a halt again between the cones in front of the judges. (The halt needs to be at least to a count of 20).

At the request of the judges the pony shall leave the arena at walk.

Riders to be wearing hacking jackets, boots and hat – which conforms to present British safety standards. A whip is allowed but must be no longer than 30". (Judges will mark down for excessive use of the whip). No spurs allowed.

Pony to be ridden off lead rein. No gag bits are allowed. No martingales or blinkers are allowed. Pony may be shown shod or not and should be presented neat & clean.

## **DRIVEN TEST FOR PERFORMANCE GRADING**

**ARENA TO BE AT LEAST 70m x 30m**

**TEST MAY BE READ OUT LOUD**

The test may be taken using any type of vehicle, providing it is safe and the harness is correctly fitted and safe.

Junior whips may take part in the test but must be accompanied by a competent adult.

1. Judge will inspect turnout for safety before it enters the arena.
2. Enter arena on right rein and walk half arena.
3. Proceed at working trot for 1 circuit of arena.
4. Go into 20m circle at collected trot.
5. Change the rein at extended trot.
6. Then 1 full circuit of arena at working trot (left rein).
7. Go into 20m circle at collected trot.
8. Walk half a circuit of arena.
9. Halt at marker for count of 30.
10. Rein back for 4 strides, then walk forward for 4 strides.
11. Stand again for judges.
12. Leave arena at walk and wait in collecting ring.

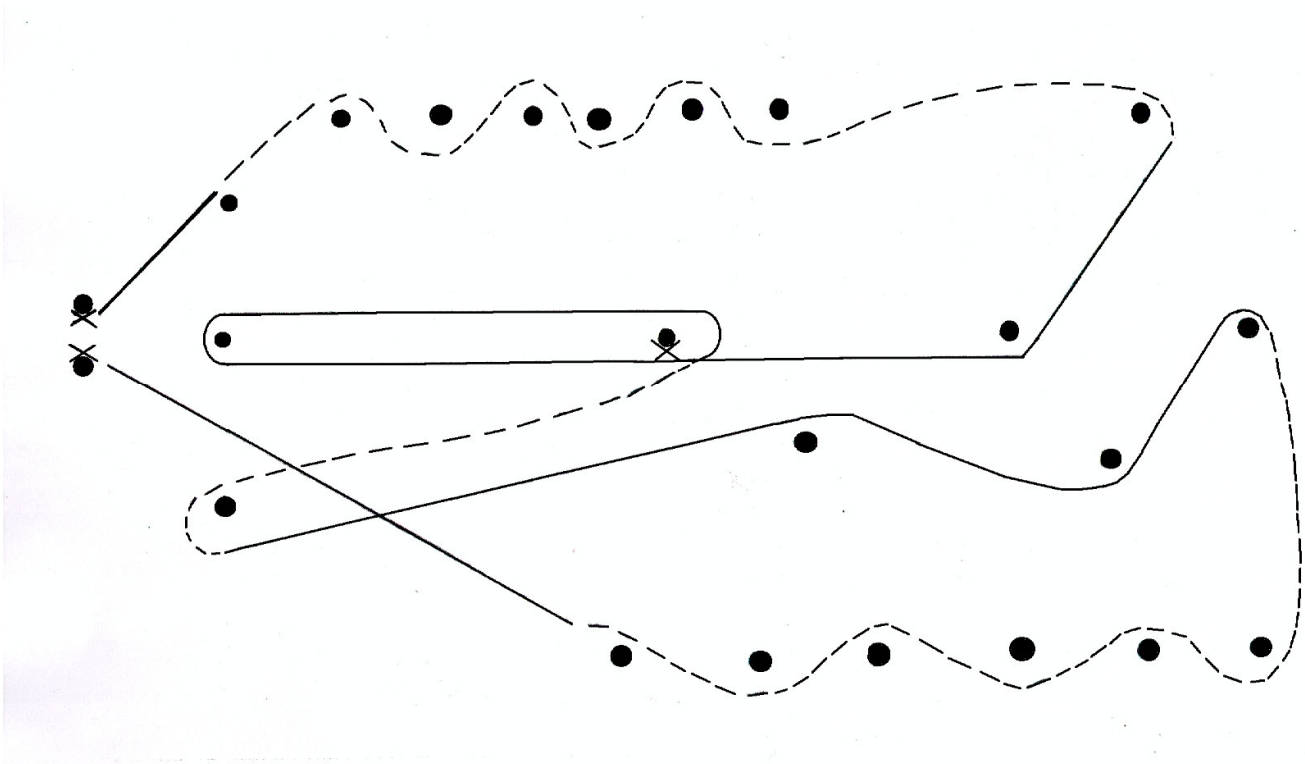
# LONG REINING & LUNGEING TEST FOR PERFORMANCE GRADING

ARENA TO BE AT LEAST 70m x 30m

TEST MAY BE READ OUT LOUD

Pony to enter at walk in long reins and come to a halt between the two cones in front of the judges. At the request of the judges the pony will move off at a walk and complete the following test: -

● = cone    \_\_\_\_\_ denotes walk    ----- denotes trot (steady)    X denotes halt (count of 20)



At the end of the test, the pony should come to a halt between the two cones in front of the judges. At their request the handler will lead the pony forward and lunge him/her on a 10m circle at walk for one circle, then two at trot, then two at canter bringing him/her back to a halt. The rein should then be changed and a circle of walk, two at trot and two at canter be completed before coming back to a halt. The pony should then return to stand between the two cones and, at the judges' request, leave the arena at a walk. Halts must be for at least a count of 20.

The handler should be neatly dressed. A suitable driving or lungeing whip may be carried as an aid. (Excessive use of the whip will be noted by the judges and marks deducted).

The pony should have a bit, suitable rollers with D's or rings for the reins (similar to a driving pad) and a crupper if considered necessary. Pony may be shown shod or not and should be presented neat & clean.

## **MARKS SYSTEM FOR PERFORMANCE GRADING**

**ALL THREE JUDGES WILL HAVE 100 MARKS TO AWARD AS FOLLOWS: -**

### **Ridden and Long Reining with Lungeing**

<b>Walk</b>	<b>to a max. of</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Trot</b>	<b>“</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Canter</b>	<b>“</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Halt</b>	<b>“</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Freedom of action</b>	<b>“</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Temperament</b>	<b>“</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Overall impression</b>	<b>“</b>	<b>20</b>

### **Driven**

<b>Walk</b>	<b>to a max. of</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Trot: collected/working</b>	<b>“</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Trot: extended</b>	<b>“</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Halt</b>	<b>“</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Freedom of action</b>	<b>“</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Temperament</b>	<b>“</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Overall impression</b>	<b>“</b>	<b>20</b>

Judges will not know the name of the pony – each pony will be given a number.

Judges to award points and judge separately – no conferring. Mark sheets will be collected by a steward, added up and divided by 3 by an independent person and checked.

65% - 74%	Pass	graded performance pony
75% - 85%	Pass	graded performance pony with distinction
Over 86%	Pass	graded performance pony with excellence

Results will be announced at the end of the day.