2019 Six Feet on the Ground - Foundation Level Test 1

Foundation Level: An introduction to the foundational body control maneuvers on the ground

- ▶Rhythm, relaxation, and freedom of movement are key
- ►An elementary attempt at bend and balance is shown
- ▶Basic acceptance of the aids, obedience

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	TEST	DIRECTIVES	Coeff	
1	Leading from the left side, walk 8-10 steps in a straight line	Moderate straightness, quality of the walk	1	
2	Halt, salute	Willing, balanced, straight halt. Immobility	1	
3	Back horse 5-8 steps, halt	Willingness, moderate straightness. Willing, balanced, straight halt. Immobility	2	
4	Perform a 360° turn on the forehand, moving the haunches away from the handler. Halt	Willingness, correct footfalls. Willing, balanced, straight halt. Immobility	2	
5	Switch to the right side of the horse	Immobility during change	1	
6	Leading from the right side, walk 8-10 steps in a straight line	Moderate straightness, quality of the walk	1	
7	Halt	Willing, balanced, straight halt. Immobility	1	
8	Back horse 5-8 steps, halt	Willingness, moderate straightness. Willing, balanced, straight halt. Immobility	2	
9	Perform a 360° turn on the forehand, moving the haunches away from the handler. Halt	Willingness, correct footfalls. Willing, balanced, straight halt. Immobility	2	
10	Leading from the right side, walk a 20ft (approx) diameter circle clockwise & halt where the circle started	Size and shape of circle, quality of gait. Willing, balanced, straight halt. Immobility	1	
11	Switch to the left side of the horse	Immobility during change	1	
12	Leading from the left side, walk a 20ft (approx) diameter circle counter clockwise & halt where the circle started. Salute	Size and shape of circle, quality of gait. Willing, balanced, straight halt. Immobility	1	

COLLECTIVE MARKS	
GAITS (purity, quality, elasticity, & regularity of tempo & rhythm)	1
SUPPLENESS & RELAXATION (looseness, flexibility, softness, & balance)	2
Overall RESPONSIVENESS, ATTENTIVENESS, & HARMONY with the handler (the horse willing to receive the handler's aids)	2
HANDLER (quality of connection & lightness)	
HANDLER (timing of aids, handling of equipment & position of body)	2
ACCURACY OF TEST (geometry, timing & execution of transitions)	