

2019 Western Dressage - Connection Level Test 6

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| Connection Level: <i>Tests incorporate movements that develop connection as energy from the hindquarters travels through the back & to the bit</i> | | | ►Rhythm, Relaxation, Steady Tempo ►Consistent Bend and Balance ►Straightness, Engagement, & Impulsion are developing ►Energy flows from engaged hindquarters through a supple back to a soft, steady connection to rider's hand | |
| NEW MANEUVERS: 360° TOH, counter shoulder-fore, change of lead through jog | | | | |
| Arena and Set up: Dressage court 20m x 40m or 20m x 60m | | | | |
| | TEST | | DIRECTIVES | Coeff |
| 1 | A X | Enter working jog Halt, salute, proceed working jog | Straightness on centerline. Willing and smooth transitions. Willing, square, immobile halt. Quality of gaits | 1 |
| 2 | C | Track left working jog | Bend and balance in turns. Quality of gait | 1 |
| 3 | Q3 H | Circle left 10m working jog Working walk | Accuracy of circle, bend and balance. Quality of gaits. Willing and smooth transition | 1 |
| 4 | H-X Bfr X | Change rein Shorten stride, 360° TOH left, proceed working walk | Straightness. Willingness, balance, accurate footfalls. Quality of gaits | 2 |
| 5 | X-F Bfr F | Change rein Shorten stride, 360° TOH right, proceed working walk | Straightness. Willingness, balance, accurate footfalls. Quality of gaits | 1 |
| 6 | F | Working jog | Willing, balanced, smooth transition. Quality of gait | 1 |
| 7 | Q1 | Circle right 10m working jog | Accuracy, bend and balance. Quality of gait. Willing and smooth transition | 2 |
| 8 | After K H | Counter shoulder-fore Proceed working jog | Correct footfalls, balance and bend. Quality of gait | 1 |
| 9 | Q4 QM-B | Down quarterline Leg yield left | Straightness, balance, accurate footfalls. Quality of gait | 2 |
| 10 | B | Working lope, right lead & circle left 15m | Willing, balanced, smooth transition. Accuracy of circle, bend and balance. Quality of gait | 1 |
| 11 | KXM | Change rein, change lead through jog over X, proceed working lope left lead | Willing, balanced, smooth transitions, straightness. Quality of gaits | 2 |
| 12 | H | Working jog | Willing, balanced, smooth transition. Quality of gait | 1 |
| 13 | E | Circle left 20m free jog, before E gather reins | Quality of stretch. Accuracy of circle. Willing and smooth transitions | 1 |
| 14 | After F M | Counter shoulder-fore Proceed working jog | Correct footfalls, balance and bend. Quality of gait | 2 |
| 15 | Q3 QH-E | Down quarterline Leg yield right | Straightness, balance, accurate footfalls. Quality of gait | 1 |
| 16 | E | Working lope, left lead and circle left 15m | Willing, balanced, smooth transition. Accuracy of circle, bend and balance. Quality of gait | 1 |
| 17 | FXH | Change rein, change lead through jog over X, proceed working lope right lead | Willing, balanced, smooth transitions, straightness. Quality of gaits | 2 |
| 18 | M | Working walk | Willing, balanced, smooth transition. Quality of gait | 1 |
| 19 | B-K K | Free walk Working walk | Quality of stretch, straightness, lengthening of stride, smooth transitions | 1 |
| 20 | A X | Down centerline Halt, salute | Straightness on centerline. Willing, square, immobile halt. Quality of gait | 1 |
| COLLECTIVE MARKS | | | | Coeff |
| GAITS (purity, quality, elasticity, and regularity of tempo and rhythm) | | | | 1 |
| SUPPLENESS & RELAXATION (looseness, flexibility, softness and balance) | | | | 2 |
| RESPONSIVENESS, ATTENTIVENESS & HARMONY (the horse's willingness to receive the rider's aids) | | | | 2 |
| RIDER - position (balance, position and independence of seat and legs) | | | | 2 |
| RIDER - use and position of HANDS (quality of connection, lightness) | | | | 2 |
| ACCURACY (geometry, timing, execution of transitions) | | | | 2 |