## 2019 Western Dressage - Progression Level Test 1

Progression Level: Tests incorporate movements that further develop suppleness and balance

- ▶Rhythm, relaxation and freedom of movement are key
- ▶Balance, Straightness, and Suppleness are developing
- ► Horse shows greater acceptance of the aids and less resistance to the bridle

| A  | Arena and Set up: Dressage court 20m x 40m or 20m x 60m |  |   |       |  |  |
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|    |   | TEST   | DIRECTIVES  | Coeff |  |  |
| 1  | A<br>X  | Enter working jog Halt through the walk, salute. Proceed working jog | Straightness on centerline. Willing and smooth transitions. Balanced, straight, immobile halt.  Quality of gaits      | 1     |  |  |
| 2  | С   | Track right working jog  | Bend and balance in turns. Quality of gait  | 1     |  |  |
| 3  | В   | Circle right 20m working jog   | Size and shape of circle, bend and balance, quality of gait   | 1     |  |  |
| 4  | Btwn<br>F&A   | Develop working lope right lead                                      | Willingness, balance, accuracy, smoothness of transition. Quality of gait   | 1     |  |  |
| 5  | Α   | Circle right 20m working lope right lead                             | Size and shape of circle, bend and balance, quality of gait   | 2     |  |  |
| 6  | Btwn<br>A&K   | Develop working jog<br>Continue to C                                 | Willingness, balance, accuracy, smoothness of transition. Quality of gait   | 1     |  |  |
| 7  | Btwn<br>C&M   | Working walk   | Willingness, balance, accuracy, smoothness of transition. Quality of gait   | 1     |  |  |
| 8  | MXK<br>K  | Change rein, free walk<br>Working walk                               | Willingness to stretch the neck forward and down, straightness on diagonal, lengthening of stride, smooth transitions | 2     |  |  |
| 9  | Btwn<br>A&F   | Working jog  | Willingness, balance, accuracy, smoothness of transition. Quality of gait   | 1     |  |  |
| 10 | В   | Circle left 20m working jog  | Size and shape of circle, bend and balance, quality of gait   | 1     |  |  |
| 11 | Btwn<br>M&C   | Develop working lope left lead                                       | Willingness, balance, accuracy, smoothness of transition. Quality of gait   | 1     |  |  |
| 12 | С   | Circle left 20m working lope left lead                               | Size and shape of circle, bend and balance, quality of gait   | 2     |  |  |
| 13 | Btwn<br>C&H   | Develop working jog  | Willingness, balance, accuracy, smoothness of transition. Quality of gait   | 1     |  |  |
| 14 | E   | Circle left 20m free jog, before E gather reins                      | Quality of stretch. Size and shape of circle. Willing and smooth transitions  | 2     |  |  |
| 15 | A<br>X  | Down centerline<br>Halt, through the walk, salute                    | Bend and Balance in turns. Straightness<br>on centerline. Willing, balanced, straight<br>halt. Immobility             | 1     |  |  |

| COLLECTIVE MARKS  |   |
|---|---|
| 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) |   |
| RIDER - position (balance, position and independence of seat and legs)                        | 2 |
| RIDER - use and position of HANDS (quality of connection, lightness)                          |   |
| ACCURACY (geometry, timing, execution of transitions)   |   |