

# THE UNITED STATES PONY CLUBS, Inc.

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## D-2 TRADITIONAL (Eventing) COMBINED 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 Level Standard of Proficiency (SOP). Examiner must have a copy of the SOP with them during the test. Examiner comments must give specific reasons if a candidate does not meet Standard in any phase. PASS/FAIL SIGNATURE SECTIONS ARE PRESENTED AFTER EACH PHASE (HM, RIDING ON THE FLAT AND RIDING OVER FENCES).

**HORSE MANAGEMENT EXPECTATIONS:** The candidate should be able to demonstrate simple skills, with assistance if necessary, and should understand the basic reasons for the everyday routines of caring for his or her own mount.

**RIDING EXPECTATIONS:** Candidate should ride in an enclosed area, demonstrating control while maintaining a safe basic balanced position at the walk and trot. The candidate should begin to develop the canter and jumping position. No need to canter over fences.

<p><b>TURNOUT / TACK</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rider in safe and neat attire, in accordance with the Standard of Proficiency (SOP).</li> <li>Mount to be clean and well groomed demonstrating use of grooming tools (with assistance if necessary), to pick out feet. Name all tools used.</li> <li>Tack is to be safe and clean, and properly adjusted (with assistance if necessary), with attention to stitching, girth, and stirrups. No obvious dirt, jockeys or heavy dust on mount.</li> <li>Tack up and untack with assistance if necessary.</li> <li>Name and locate any 15 parts of saddle and bridle.</li> <li>Name 3 different bits.</li> </ul>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> <p>___ ES</p> <p>___ DNMS</p> <p>___ MS</p> </div>
<p><b>LEADING &amp; LONGEING</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lead mount correctly in hand and while tacked up.</li> <li>Do walk-halt-walk transitions in hand.</li> <li>Lead mount in and out of stall safely and tie up in appropriate place with quick-release knot.</li> </ul>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> <p>___ ES</p> <p>___ DNMS</p> <p>___ MS</p> </div>
<p><b>BANDAGING</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Give two reasons why you would bandage a mount's leg(s).</li> <li>Demonstrate (with assistance of examiner) how to apply protective boots and bell boots to mount's leg if regularly used.</li> </ul>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> <p>___ ES</p> <p>___ DNMS</p> <p>___ MS</p> </div>
<p><b>STABLE MANAGEMENT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>List three examples of unsafe equipment.</li> <li>Name three common stable vices.</li> </ul>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> <p>___ ES</p> <p>___ DNMS</p> <p>___ MS</p> </div>

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<p><b>CONDITIONING</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe ways to know if mount is properly cooled out.</li> <li>Describe condition of a mount (e.g., thin, fat, or overweight).</li> </ul>		<p>___ ES          ___ DNMS          ___ MS</p>
<p><b>BREEDS, PARTS OF MOUNT, CONFORMATION &amp; LAMENESS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Name and locate any 15 parts of a mount.</li> <li>Name and describe six colors of mounts.</li> <li>Name and describe five markings of mounts.</li> <li>Name six horse or pony breeds.</li> </ul>		<p>___ ES          ___ DNMS          ___ MS</p>
<p><b>TRAVEL SAFETY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Know the basic rules for riding on public roads in your state.</li> <li>Name two ways you can help a mount be safe in a trailer.</li> </ul>		<p>___ ES          ___ DNMS          ___ MS</p>
<p><b>HEALTH CARE AND VETERINARY KNOWLEDGE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Give two reasons to have a mount routinely checked by a veterinarian.</li> </ul>		<p>___ ES          ___ DNMS          ___ MS</p>
<p><b>RECORD BOOK</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bring a complete stall card for a mount to show and discuss with examiner.</li> <li>Discuss what is included on a stall card.</li> </ul>		<p>___ ES          ___ DNMS          ___ MS</p>
<p><b>SAFETY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe what you should do for yourself when you fall off a pony or horse.</li> <li>Name at least three items that should be included in a human first aid kit.</li> </ul>		<p>___ ES          ___ DNMS          ___ MS</p>
<p><b>HORSE SPORTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Name two horse sports.</li> </ul>		<p>___ ES          ___ DNMS          ___ MS</p>
<p><b>VOLUNTEERISM (Pony Club Horsemasters Only)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe how you have volunteered for your local club or center.</li> <li>Explain two leadership opportunities for adult volunteers at the local and regional levels.</li> </ul>		<p>___ ES          ___ DNMS          ___ MS</p>

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<b>FOOT &amp; SHOEING</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Know reasons for daily hoof care.</li> <li>Give two reasons why the farrier regularly checks a mount.</li> </ul>		___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS
<b>NUTRITION</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Know three basic rules for feeding and explain feeding schedule for a mount.</li> </ul>		___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS
<b>LAND CONSERVATION</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Talk with grandparents, parents, instructors and/or older friends/neighbors about where they rode when they were young, and what is not available today.</li> </ul>		___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS

**Horse Management Phase** Comments (General impressions, suggestions for improvement):

Examiner sign here: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ES \_\_\_ MS \_\_\_ DNMS \_\_\_ PRINT EXAMINER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Sections requiring retesting: up to 4 HM sections

ES \_\_\_ MS \_\_\_ DNMS \_\_\_

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Retest Examiner SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

<b>RIDING ON THE FLAT</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mount and dismount independently (using mounting block if necessary).</li> <li>Shorten and lengthen reins at halt and walk.</li> </ul>		___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Perform balancing and suppling exercises for rider at halt and walk. Discuss one or two reasons for doing this.</li> <li>Ride at the walk, performing simple turns, and large circles.</li> <li>Ride without stirrups at the walk.</li> </ul>		___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ride at the trot on correct diagonal performing simple turns and large circles with proper bend.</li> </ul>		___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ride at the canter and be aware of leads in both directions while in an enclosed area.</li> </ul>		___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rider should demonstrate control while maintaining a safe balanced position at the walk and trot.</li> </ul>		___ ES ___ DNMS ___ MS

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss performance with Examiner. Candidate should be aware of diagonals and mount's leads.</li> </ul>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;">       ___ ES                  ___ DNMS        ___ MS     </div>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Demonstrate emergency dismount at the walk. (<i>Pony Club Horsemasters-in lieu of performing emergency dismount, discuss conditions in which an emergency dismount is to be performed.</i>)</li> </ul>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;">       ___ ES                  ___ DNMS        ___ MS     </div>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss how to pass others safely while riding in an enclosed area.</li> </ul>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;">       ___ ES                  ___ DNMS        ___ MS     </div>

**Riding on the Flat Phase** Comments (General impressions, suggestions for improvement):

Examiner sign here: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ES \_\_\_ MS \_\_\_ DNMS \_\_\_ PRINT EXAMINER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Sections requiring retesting: up to 2 Flat sections

\_\_\_\_\_ ES \_\_\_ MS \_\_\_ DNMS \_\_\_

<b>RIDING OVER FENCES</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintain jumping position at the trot, on the flat, and over ground poles.</li> </ul>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;">       ___ ES                  ___ DNMS        ___ MS     </div>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In an enclosed area, ride a simple stadium course of four to five obstacles of cross rails and verticals (no spreads). The majority of fences must be set at, but not exceed, 18".</li> </ul>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;">       ___ ES                  ___ DNMS        ___ MS     </div>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rider should demonstrate control while developing a safe basic balanced position over fences (no need to canter over fences).</li> </ul>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;">       ___ ES                  ___ DNMS        ___ MS     </div>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss with Examiner ways to improve ride.</li> </ul>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">         ___ ES                            ___ DNMS          ___ MS       </div>
<b>RIDING IN THE OPEN</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ride safely and considerately on public or private property, in a group, at the walk and trot.</li> <li>Ride with control at the walk and trot. Ride with control up and down hills, if terrain available.</li> </ul>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">         ___ ES                            ___ DNMS          ___ MS       </div>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jump a minimum of three simple and natural obstacles. The majority of fences should be set at, but not exceed, 18" in height or 18" in width. No ditches, banks or water. All fences must be jumped at the trot. Speed should not exceed 240 meters per minute, appropriate for the size of mount.</li> </ul>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">         ___ ES                            ___ DNMS          ___ MS       </div>

**Riding Over Fences Phase** Comments (General impressions, suggestions for improvement):

Examiner sign here: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ES \_\_\_\_\_ MS \_\_\_\_\_ DNMS \_\_\_\_\_ PRINT EXAMINER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Sections requiring retesting: up to 2 Jumping sections

\_\_\_\_\_ ES \_\_\_\_\_ MS \_\_\_\_\_ DNMS \_\_\_\_\_

Retest Examiner SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**General Rules on Retest**

- 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.
- Not meeting standard 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.

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