

D-3 FLOWCHART
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RIDING ON THE FLAT		Sign off/notes
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demonstrate emergency dismount at the halt and walk. - Adjust stirrups and girth (keeping feet in the stirrups) while mounted at the halt 	
WARM UP		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Perform balancing and suppling exercises for rider at walk and trot - Ride without stirrups at the sitting trot - Demonstrate a simple step back - Discuss at least three reasons for doing balancing/suppling exercises 	
MOVEMENTS		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Perform round 20-meter circles, in both directions, at walk, at sitting trot, at rising trot with correct diagonals, and at canter with correct leads. - Demonstrate increase and decrease of speed at the trot by passing riders on rail and taking the lead. - Discuss performance with Examiner and whether or not circles were round and natural aids were used correctly - Rider should show a basic balanced position through the flat work 	
RIDING OVER FENCES		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Trot over ground poles, followed by crossrail. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jump a simple stadium course of five to seven obstacles, height not to exceed 2'6" - Discuss performance, reasons for any disobedience 	
RIDING IN THE OPEN		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ride safely with a group, at the walk and trot, over varied terrain, through shallow water and small ditches as occur in natural terrain (ditches to be unrevetted). 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jump simple cross-country obstacles, not to exceed 2'6". - Discuss ways to control a pony in the open. - Discuss performance with Examiner. - Speed should not exceed 240 meters per minute or 300 meters per minute, appropriate for the size of horse. - Rider should show a secure base of support while developing balance and a steady position over fences. 	
TURN OUT		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rider in safe and neat attire - Pony to be clean and neatly groomed, with feet picked out, showing farrier care. - Tack to be properly adjusted, safe and clean. - Describe formal attire, informal attire. 	
CONDITIONING / NUTRITION		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Know five to seven basic rules for feeding and explain feeding schedule to include amount of roughage and amounts of concentrates per ration for own pony. - Describe care of pony after strenuous work, to include cooling out, inspection of legs, watering and feeding. 	
PARTS OF PONY / CONFORMATION & LAMENESS		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identify at least 20 parts of the pony, to include withers, hock, fetlock, pastern, gaskin, croup, loins, etc. - Know common conformation faults of neck, back, shoulder, head and pasterns. - Describe the characteristics of a strange pony clearly enough for another person to recognize it within a group. Include: color, breed, markings, size, sex, and obvious conformation characteristics. - Describe how to measure height of pony. 	

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STABLE MANAGEMENT		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demonstrate how to clean and bed a stall, giving reasons for each step. - Know use of haynet and the dangers of improper use... 	
LAND CONSERVATION		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Name three important rules when riding across privately-owned land. - Write thank-you notes to two landowners who support your club and tell them why you appreciate being able to use their land. If you ride on public land, write a thank-you note to the manager or contact person. 	
LEADING & LONGEING		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lead correctly, moving pony forward with whip or assistance (if necessary). - Do walk-trot-walk-halt transitions in hand. - Lead safely from both sides. 	
HEALTH CARE / VETERINARY KNOWLEDGE / BANDAGING		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Name some symptoms of a sick or injured pony that would cause you to seek help. - Describe what critical areas are protected by shipping bandages or boots, and give reasons for their use. - Apply protective boots and bell boots on own pony (with supervision) - Apply stable wrap, with assistance. - Describe obvious signs of a foot needing shoeing or trimming. 	
TRAVEL SAFETY		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Know the basic rules for riding on public roads in your state. - Know procedure for mounted group crossing a public roadway. - Discuss the proper procedure for loading and unloading a pony 	
INTRODUCTION TO HORSE SPORTS		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Name five horse sports offered in USPC. 	
RECORD BOOK		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The D-3 candidate is expected to keep careful records of veterinary visits, and general health of pony. Record Book must be brought to test. (A minimum of 3 months is required) 	

RIDING TEST EXPECTATIONS

Candidate should ride in a basic balanced position with control at the walk, trot, and canter. Candidate should maintain a secure base of support while developing balance and a steady position over fences.

HORSE MANAGEMENT EXPECTATIONS

The candidate should be able to demonstrate simple skills without assistance, and to discuss pony care, using common horse terms.