

# THE UNITED STATES PONY CLUBS, Inc.

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## “D-1” TEST SHEET

Candidate's name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Pony Club \_\_\_\_\_

District Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ Region \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: Before beginning test, Examiners must read “Guidelines for Club Rating Tests – D-1 through C-2” and the D-1 Standard of Proficiency (SOP), including “Information for Candidates,” “Testing Information,” and “Examiners.” Examiner must have copy of the SOP with them during test to include Grid and Jumping Exercises chart. Comments must give specific reasons if a candidate does not pass any phase.**

**RIDING TEST EXPECTATIONS: Candidate should ride in an enclosed area without leading line, demonstrating basic balanced position at the halt and walk, and control at the walk and trot.**

**HORSE MANAGEMENT EXPECTATIONS: The candidate is a beginning-level horse manager, willing to learn the simple routine necessary for safe handling of quiet, well-trained mounts. His or her knowledge will vary widely depending on age, educational level, and experience.**

### TURN OUT

<p>Rider is to be in safe and neat attire, in accordance with the SOP.</p> <p>Mount neatly brushed; feet picked out (with assistance) and showing farrier care.</p> <p>Tack safe and neat (properly adjusted, with assistance if necessary)</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS
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### RIDING ON THE FLAT

<p>Mount and dismount, with assistance if necessary.</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS
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<p>Hold reins correctly at the halt.</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS
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<p>Shorten and lengthen reins correctly at the halt.</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS
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<p>Demonstrate basic correct position at the halt and walk.</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS
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<p>Drop and pick-up stirrups with feet while mounted at a halt.</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS
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**KEY: ES = Exceeds Standard**

**M = Meets Standard**

**DNMS = Does Not Meet Standard**

<p>Ride at the walk and trot, with control, keeping mount on rail.</p> <p>Demonstrate simple change of direction at the walk and trot.</p> <p>Perform gradual transitions from walk to trot and walk to halt.</p>	<table border="1" data-bbox="1305 96 1526 207"> <tr> <td>___ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ES	___DNMS	___MS
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<p>Rider should demonstrate basic balanced position at the walk.</p>	<table border="1" data-bbox="1305 428 1526 539"> <tr> <td>___ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ES	___DNMS	___MS
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**RIDING OVER FENCES**

<p>Walk over poles on the ground in jumping position.</p> <p>Discuss with Examiner the reason for different positions when riding on the flat and over fences.</p>	<table border="1" data-bbox="1305 630 1526 741"> <tr> <td>___ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ES	___DNMS	___MS
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**PARTS OF MOUNT / TACK**

<p>Name 10 parts of saddle and bridle (any).</p> <p>Know two reasons for cleaning tack</p> <p>Name any 10 parts of the mount (such as mane, tail, hoof, etc.).</p>	<table border="1" data-bbox="1305 1115 1526 1226"> <tr> <td>___ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ES	___DNMS	___MS
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**STABLE MANAGEMENT**

<p>Groom mount with brush and currycomb, pick out feet, with assistance.</p> <p>Give one reason to pick out feet.</p> <p>Tack up and untack mount, with assistance.</p> <p>Provide Examiner with a copy of a Stall Card for own mount.</p>	<table border="1" data-bbox="1305 1428 1526 1539"> <tr> <td>___ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td>___MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ES	___DNMS	___MS
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<p><b>LAND CONSERVATION</b></p> <p>Verbally list three different places in your area where you see horse activities taking place. Include where you have your Pony Club mounted meetings.</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS
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<p><b>LEADING / LONGEING / CONDITIONING / NUTRITION</b></p> <p>Approach mount safely, put on halter, lead and turn correctly and safely.</p> <p>Know one reason for cooling out mount after exercise.</p> <p>Know how to give water, grain, hay and tidbit to mount safely.</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS
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<p><b>HEALTH CARE / VETERINARIAN</b></p> <p>Discuss what a veterinarian is.</p> <p>Give one reason why the vet might treat your mount.</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS
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<p><b>ROAD AND TRAVEL SAFETY</b></p> <p>Know basic rules of safe riding in a group, in an enclosed area.</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ ES</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ DNMS</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">___ MS</td> </tr> </table>	___ ES	___ DNMS	___ MS
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**COMMENTS** (General impressions, suggestions for improvement):

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Sections requiring retesting:  
(up to total of five; not more than two riding)

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**A candidate may be re tested as follows:**

- This test has a total of 16 sections.
- Retest to cover *not more than* four sections of the test (not more than two riding sections).
- Retest must take place within one month and must be completed in one day.
- Failure of any section on that day will require retaking entire test.
- Retest must be recommended by original Examiner.

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

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Examiner for portions retested)