

# THE UNITED STATES PONY CLUBS, Inc.

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## TRADITIONAL (EVENTING) "C-3" TEST SHEET

National Examiners will use this form when conducting the C-3 Traditional (Eventing) certification. To achieve the certification candidates must meet the standard in each section. **Examiners must have a copy of the appropriate Standard to use with the test sheet.**

Candidate's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Pony Club/Riding Center \_\_\_\_\_

District Commissioner/Center Administrator \_\_\_\_\_ Region \_\_\_\_\_

**RIDING EXPECTATIONS:** *The standard of riding stated here in the Riding Expectations applies to each block of the standard and test sheet. The candidate should maintain a basic balanced position, appropriate to each phase of eventing. The candidate should demonstrate confidence and control while maintaining a secure base of support, demonstrating the development of an independent seat and coordinated use of the aids on the flat, over fences, and in the open. The candidate should develop elements of the Training Scale to include riding the horse in balance with rhythm, relaxation, and connection while maintaining free forward movement with smooth transitions. The candidate should evaluate and discuss the effect of the aids used. The candidate should apply knowledge of the Training Scale to performances, evaluations, and discussions. All fences not to exceed 3'3".*

### PRESENTATION OF HORSE AND RIDER

- Proper formal or informal attire
- If informal, demonstrate proper tying of a stock tie, and placement of stock pin
- Effective and correct presentation and control
- Mount well groomed: ears, nose, eyes, dock, sheath, udder, mane and tail
- Tack clean and safe
- Discuss purpose and fit of mount's equipment on the flat and over fences

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 \_\_\_ DNMS  
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### BANDAGING

- Present a shipping and stable bandage
- Discuss purposes and dangers involved with stable and shipping bandages
- Apply a hoof abscess bandage under supervision

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 \_\_\_ DNMS  
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### LONGEING

- Demonstrate proper fit of equipment, including bridle and cavesson (optional), saddle or surcingle, and side reins. Mount must be longed in side reins.
- Longe own mount on a 20 m circle, initiating connection through safe longeing techniques and proper use of aids (longe line, whip, voice, and body position) in order to develop free forward movement at the walk, trot and/or canter, and smooth transitions.

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**KEY: ES = Exceeds Standard**

**MS = Meets Standard**

**DNMS = Does Not Meet Standard**

## C-3 TRADITIONAL (EVENTING) TEST SHEET (Continued)

**DRESSAGE—WARM UP**

- Demonstrate warm up to include the use of schooling figures and movements appropriate for your mount to prepare for the dressage test.
- Evaluate warm up, discussing organization and purpose for your mount.

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___ MS	

**REQUIRED MOVEMENTS**

Demonstrate the required movements prior to or following the riding of the dressage test at the rider's decision. Skills to include:

- Demonstrate three or more schooling figures in sitting trot, while maintaining tempo and free forward movement
- Free, working and medium walk
- Working trot
- Working canter
- Lengthened trot and canter
- 15 half and 20 meter circles
- Figure 8
- Serpentine
- Work on center or quarter lines
- Ride without stirrups at all gaits
- Ride a 20 meter circle at the rising trot and/or canter, allowing horse to stretch forward and down
- Demonstrate leg yield at the trot and rein back (3-4 steps)
- Discuss your position and its effect on your mount's performance.
- Evaluate performance

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___ MS	

**REQUIRED TEST**

- Ride the current USEF Training Eventing Dressage Test A (Reference USEF-EV133)
- Evaluate performance with Examiner, to include the quality of transitions and the accuracy of figures. Discuss the Training Scale to include the quality of rhythm, tempo, relaxation, free forward movement and connection throughout the dressage test.

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**SWITCH RIDE**

- Demonstrate ability to ride different mount(s), initiating free forward movement at each gait, showing confidence and control
- Evaluate performance and differences from own mount

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___ MS	

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**RIDING OVER FENCES****GYMNASTICS**

- Discuss reasons for different length of stirrups and the effect on position for different types of work
- Discuss appropriate distances in the gymnastic grid as they relate to your mount and conditions
- Demonstrate warm up for jumping to incorporate the grid trot poles. Ride through a simple grid that will progress in height to 3'3"
- Ride without stirrups over simple gymnastic grid on own mount at 3' showing a secure base of support and independent seat
- Evaluate warm up and grid work

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**STADIUM**

- Ride stadium course with the majority of fences set at but not to exceed, 3'3". Course will include 8-12 efforts.
- Evaluate course performance and use of aids to ride horse in balance, rhythm, tempo, and appropriate pace for the level

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**SWITCH RIDE**

- Ride a stadium course of 10 efforts, including a double combination. Majority of fences set at 3'
- Evaluate performance and how mount differs from own

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**RIDING IN THE OPEN** (must be done)

- Ride in a group at the discretion of the Examiners, pace not to exceed 400 mpm.
- Develop an appropriate pace between 350 and 450 mpm, according to obstacles and terrain. Ride over 5-8 cross-country obstacles with majority of height set at, but not to exceed 3'3". Obstacles may include ditches, banks, drops, water, or combinations.
- Evaluate performance, pace, and ways ride could be improved, to include reasons for any disobediences.

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**GENERAL REMARKS**

Attitude and maturity for level of testing

Security and confidence for level of testing

Suggestions for improvement

Meets Standards

Does Not Meet Standard

Signature of Examiners

Withdraw

PIP \_\_\_\_\_

Date Tested \_\_\_\_\_

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Sections requiring retesting:

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**A candidate may be re-tested on a MAXIMUM of two sections of the test: either bandaging or longeing, and on ONE section of the riding test. (If the candidate does not pass one riding section and is successful in all other riding portions of the test, the candidate may retest that one section).**

- All retests must take place by December 1st of the following year.
- Retest must be recommended by original Examiner.
- See retest procedures on Pony Club website/National Testing Page

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

Examiner for Retest (PRINT NAME) \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_