## **2018 USEF PRELIMINARY TEST A**

## **CONDITIONS:**

1) Bridle: A plain snaffle bridle, made entirely of leather or leather like material, with either a regular cavesson, a dropped noseband, a flash noseband or crossed noseband. For drawings of permitted bits and nosebands please see Annex 1.

2) Arena: 20m x 40m. 3) Time: Approximately 4:00

		TEST	DIRECTIVE IDEA
1.	A C	Enter working trot Track left	Regularity and quality of trot; straightness; bend and balance on turn
2.	Between H and E E	Circle left 10 meters Turn left	Regularity and quality of trot; size and shape of circle; bend and balance
3.	X	Halt Proceed working trot	Willing, clear transitions; straight, attentive halt; immobile (min. 3 seconds)
4.	B Between B and F	Track right Circle right 10 meters	Regularity and quality of trot; size and shape of circle; bend and balance
5.	A D-H	Down centerline Leg yield left	Regularity and quality of trot; consistent tempo; alignment of horse; balance and flow
6.	M-X-K K	Change rein, lengthen stride in trot Working trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of trot; straightness; consistent tempo; willing, clear transitions
7.	A D-M	Down centerline Leg yield right	Regularity and quality of trot; consistent tempo, alignment of horse; balance and flow
8.	C Before C	Circle left 20 meters allowing the horse to stretch forward and downward Shorten the reins	Forward and downward stretch over the back into a light contact, maintaining balance and quality of trot; bend, size and shape of circle; willing, calm transitions
9.	Between C and H	Medium walk	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of walk
10	. H-X-F	Free walk	Regularity and quality of walk, with reach and ground cover allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward; straightness
11.	.F	Medium walk	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of walk
12.	. A K	Working trot Working canter, right lead	Willing, calm transitions; regularity and quality of gaits, bend in corner
13.	E E	Circle right 20 meters in medium canter Working canter	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension; straightness and uphill balance, consistent tempo; clear, balanced transitions
14.	. <b>Н</b> К	Half circle right 10 meters returning to the track between E and K Working trot	Regularity and quality of gaits; size and shape of half circle; bend and balance; willing, clear transition
15.	. F	Working canter, left lead	Willing, calm transitions; regularity and quality of gaits
16.	. B B	Circle left 20 meters medium canter Working canter	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension; straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; clear, balanced transitions
17.	. M F	Half circle left 10 meters returning to the track between B and F Working trot	Regularity and quality of gaits; size and shape of half circle; bend and balance; willing, clear transition
18	. A	Down centerline	Regularity and quality of trot; bend and balance on turn, straightness
19.	. G	Halt, salute	Willing, clear transition; straight, attentive halt; immobile (min. 3 seconds)

Leave Arena free walk on long rein at A. All trot work may be done rising or sitting unless stated otherwise.

COLLECTIVE I	OLLECTIVE MARKS		
Gaits	Freedom and regularity		
Impulsion	Desire to move forward, elasticity of the steps, suppleness of the back, engagement of the hindquarters		
Submission	Willing cooperation, harmony, attention and confidence, acceptance of bit and aids, straightness, lightness of forehand and ease of movements		
Rider	Position and seat. Correctness and effect of aids		

**TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS: 230**