

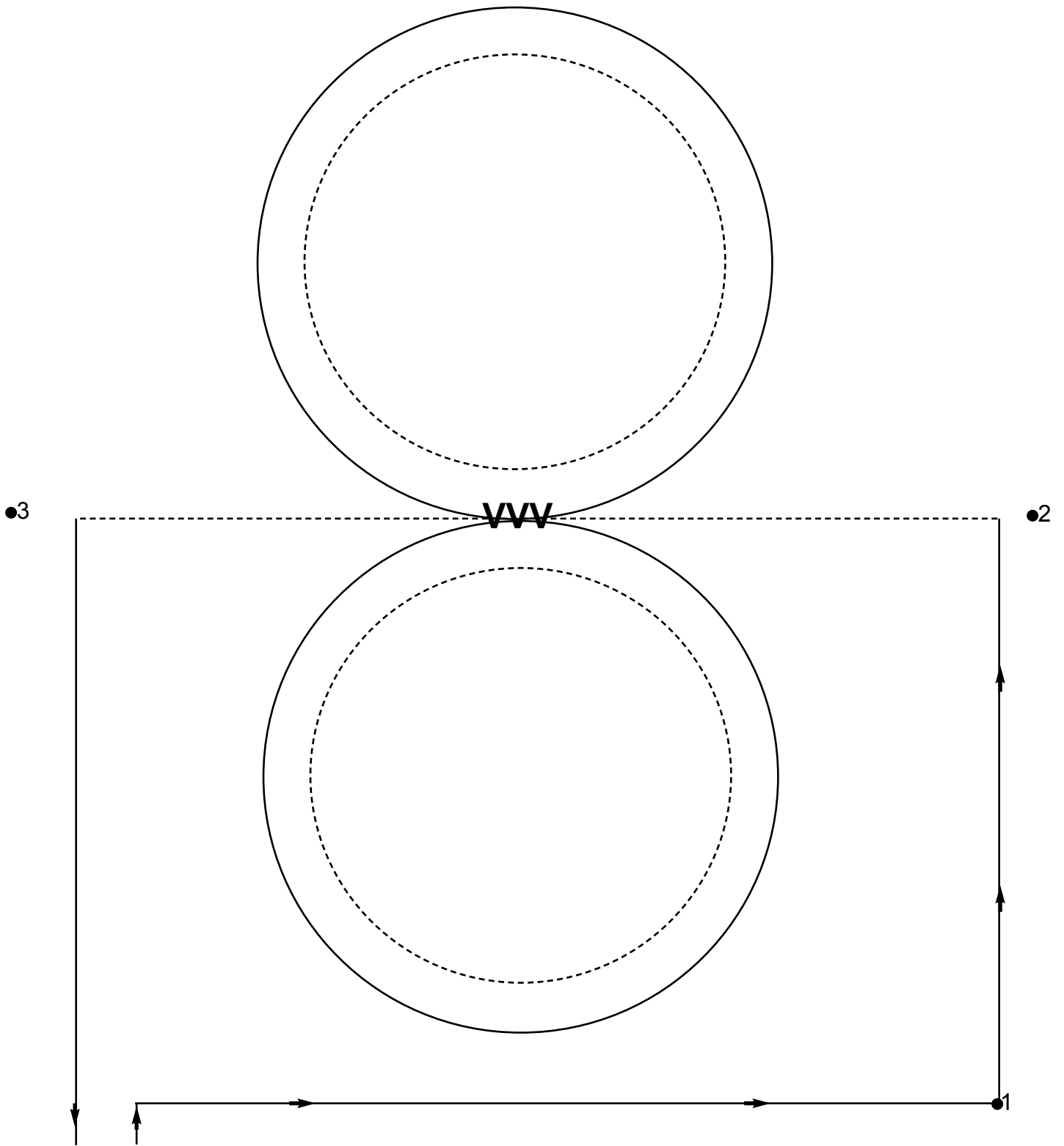


Western Riding Level 4

WESTERN RIDING LEVEL 4 GUIDE

1. By the fourth year of riding, the rider should be refining aids having smooth transitions. Legs should be still and weight should be in the heels. Shoulders should be square and eyes up. Elbows should be relaxed and supple.
2. Transitions should be accurate and smooth.
3. Flying changes should be attempted. At least most of the time the rider should be on the correct lead on the turns. This movement must be studied and practiced. It may take awhile to teach your horse.
4. New movement include the serpentine, the turn on the haunches, and the emergency dismount from the trot.

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NAME OF MEMBER:

DATE:

4-H CLUB:

TOTAL POINTS: 185

NEEDED TO PAS 163

RATER:

TOTAL SCORE:

PREPARATION		POINTS NEEDED TO PASS: 40	
Scale 1- 5		SCORE	
1. Pony/horse clean, well-groomed			
2. Feet properly shod or trimmed			
3. Tack clean, safe, appropriate, adjusted properly			
4. Rider clean and neat with proper boots (with heel) and approved hard hat			
Scale 1- 5 GROUND WORK			
1. Rider will perform the emergency dismount at the trot (5)			
2. Rider will explain the aids for (5) and demonstrate the turn on the haunches, left (5)			
3. Rider will explain the aids for (5) and demonstrate the turn on the haunches, right (5)			
<p>LOUNGEING PASS/FAIL THE RIDER MUST BE ABLE TO JOG AND CANTER ON THE LONGE WITOUT REINS OR STIRRUPS BEFORE MOVING ON TO LEVEL 5, AND PUT FEET BACK INTO STIRRUPS WITHOUT LOOKING BEFORE DISMOUNTING.</p>			
Scale 1-5 WESTERN PATTERN I		POINTS NEEDED TO PASS: 36	
		SCALE	SCORE
1. Enter at a walk and proceed to the first cone. 1/4 turn left to cone 2		(1-5)	
2. At cone 2, quarter turn on the haunches, left and jog a small figure eight in the center of the ring		(1-10)	
3. At the center of the ring lope a large figure eight with a flying change of leads.		(1-10)	
4. Stop at the center. Back up five to seven steps. Stop.		(1-10)	
5. Jog to the 3rd cone. Halt.		(1-5)	
6. Turn left on haunches and exit from the ring.		(1-5)	

DRESSAGE - WESTERN TEST LEVEL 4

	TEST	DIRECTIVE IDEAS	Points	Co		REMARKS
				Efficient	Total	
1	A Enter at jog. X Halt through the walk; salute. Proceed at the jog through the walk. C Track to the right.	Straightness, transition immobility, move off from halt				
2	A Circle right 20m diam.	Regularity, shape of the circle, flexion of horse				
3	A Lope right lead. Circle 20m diam. Once around.	Calmness, smoothness of depart, shape of circle, flexion of horse				
4	A Straight ahead. E Jog.	Regularity, straightness, transition of horse				
5	MXK Change Rein.	Regularity, straightness				
6	A Circle left 20m diam.	Regularity, shape of circle, flexion of horse				
7	A Lope left lead. Circle 20m dian. once around.	Calmness, smoothness of depart, shape of circle, flexion of horse				
8	B Jog. C Walk.	Regularity, straightness transitions				
9	HXF Walk. Jog.	Regularity, straightness, transition from walk				
10	A Down center line. X Halt through the walk, salute, Leave arena free walk.	Straightness, transitions immobility, relaxation at the free walk				

COLLECTIVE MARKS:

Gaits (freedom and regularity)	5	5		
Impulsion (desire to move forward, elasticity of the steps, relaxation of the back)	5	2		
Submission (attention and confidence; harmony and lightness and ease of movements; acceptance of the bit)	5	2		
Rider's position and seat; correctness and effect of the aids	5	2		

Subtotal _____

Errors _____

Time: _____ minutes _____ seconds Total Points _____