RDA DRESSAGE
Grade 1 Freestyle to Music (2023)

The Scale of the marks is as follows:
10 Excellent 4 Insufficient
9 Very Good 3 Fairly Bad
8 Good
7 Fairly Good
2 Bad

5 Sufficient

Allow 9 minutes between tests
Time of test 3 mins 30 secs -5 mins 30 secs

Arena $20 \mathrm{~m} \times 40 \mathrm{~m}$
N.B. ALSO ALLOWED: Trot, and all lateral work. How they are performed will be taken into consideration. See below for disallowed work.

NOT ALLOWED: Piaffe/Passage/Canter. Rider intentionally performing such movements will have 8 marks deducted each time and the choreography mark will be 5 or less.

|  | COMPULSORY MOVEMENTS | Max. Marks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Halt at the beginning of the test on the centre line. | 10 |
| 2. | Halt at the end of the test on the centre line. | 10 |
| 3. | The medium walk | 10 |
| 4. | Circle right 10m diameter in medium walk | 10 |
| 5. | Circle left 10m diameter in medium walk | 10 |
| 6. | Two half 10 m circles in medium walk | 10 |
| 7. | Walk allowing the horse to stretch on a longer rein ( minimum 20m continuously) | 10 |
| 8. | 2 or 3 even loops 5 m either side of the centre line in medium walk starting at A or C | 10 |
| 9. | Medium Walk on the centre line (minimum 20m continuously) | 10 |
| 10. | Transitions within and/or between paces | 10 |
|  | Total for technical execution | 100 |
| 1. | Rhythm, suppleness and energy | $10 \times 2$ |
| 2. | Harmony between rider and horse | $10 \times 3$ |
| 3. | Choreography, use of arena, inventiveness. | $10 \times 3$ |
| 4. | Musical interpretation | $10 \times 2$ |
|  | Total marks for artistic presentation | 100 |

## ARTISTIC MARKS

Half marks may be given.
For each disallowed movement performed deduct 8 marks from the artistic mark.
If test less than 4 mins 30 secs or more than 5 mins 30 secs deduct $0.5 \%$ from the artistic total.
In case of two competitors have the same final score, the one with the higher marks for the artistic impression will be the winner. If the artistic marks are the same there will be a tie between those competitors.

