GRADE 4 PROFICIENCY TEST (YELLOW)





VAULTING:

- 1. Show mount with assistance
- 2. Basic seat in canter hands on waist
- 3. Free Kneel in canter
- 4. Legs over and back in canter
- 5. Sit backwards on the neck in canter
- 6. Stand in walk
- 7. Pistols in walk
- 8. Backwards Kneel in walk
- 9. Sideways Kneel in walk
- 10. Half Scissors in walk
- 11. One foot in stirrup other leg along the horses back in walk
- 12. Roll up in walk
- 13. Lie across the horse in walk
- 14. Dismount in canter

HORSE CARE:

- 1. Show an understanding of a pony/horse's behaviour and demonstrate this on approaching and handling.
- 2. Know and recognise basic food for a stable kept pony/horse: HAY, NUTS, COARSE MIX and CHAFF
- 3. Know how to groom a stable kept pony/ horse and identify additional grooming kit items required: WATER BRUSH, STABLE RUBBER and TAIL BANDAGE
- 4. Know and recognise types of bedding: STRAW, SHAVINGS and PAPER.

Recognise the following mucking-out equipment: WHEELBARROW, FORK, SHAVINGS, FORK, BROOM/ BRUSH & SHOVEL

- 5. Know the reason for taking the pony/horse to the farrier.
- 6. Know the essential care of saddlery and be able to put on a roller and bridle with assistance if necessary.
- 7. Know how to catch a pony/horse, lead it in hand and recognise how to tie up correctly.
- 8. Identify the following points of the pony/horse: Those in Grades 1, 2, 3 plus TENDON, CHESTNUT, ERGOT, CHIN GROOVE and POINT OF HIP.

PASS MARKS:

Vaulting 50% Horse Care 50%

Examinations by RDA approved examiner not working with the Group.

Candidates may take either Vaulting and/or Horse Care and will receive a RDA certificate and badge for each section passed.

Further information is available on our website <u>www.rda.org.uk</u> and is held by the Group Organiser, County and Regional Instructors.

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