The United States Pony Clubs, Inc.

D-2 HORSE MANAGEMENT TEST SHEET

Candidate's Name_____ Name of Pony Club/Riding Center_____

District Commissioner/Center Administrator_____Region_____

NOTE: Before beginning test, Examiners must read "Guidelines for Club/Center Certifications- D-1 through C-2" and the D Level Standard of Proficiency (SOP), including "Information for Candidates," "Testing Information," and "Examiners." Examiner must have copy of the SOP with them during test. Examiner comments must give specific reasons if a candidate does not pass any phase. *Turnout, Bandaging and Leading & Longeing may be tested separate from other sections. All sections must be passed to be awarded the D-2 HM certification.*

HORSE MANAGEMENT EXPECTATIONS: The candidate should be able to demonstrate simple skills, with assistance if necessary, and should understand the basic reasons for the everyday routines of caring for his or her own mount.

PRESENTATION/TURNOUT AND TACK • Rider in safe and neat attire, in accordance with the Standards of Proficiency (SOP). • Mount clean and well brushed with hooves picked out and showing farrier care. Eyes, nose, lips, and dock wiped off. • Tack to be safe and clean (properly adjusted with assistance if necessary), with attention to stitching, girth, and stirrups. No obvious jockeys or heavy dust. • Groom and tack up with assistance if necessary. • Name and locate 10 saddle parts and 5 bridle parts. • Name 2 different bits.		____ ES ____ MS ____ DNMS Date Tested _____ Examiner Signature:
LEADING/LONGEING • Lead mount correctly in tack. • Demonstrate walk-trot-halt transitions, and turning in the correct direction.		____ ES ____ MS ____ DNMS Date Tested_____ Examiner Signature:
BANDAGING • Give 2 reasons why you would bandage a mount's leg(s). • With assistance from Examiner, apply 1 protective boot and 1 bell boot to mount's leg.		____ ES ____ MS ____ DNMS Date Tested _____ Examiner Signature:
FOOT AND SHOEING • Give reasons for daily hoof care. • Give 2 reasons why a farrier regularly checks your mount.		____ ES ____ DNMS ____ MS

KEY: ES = Exceeds Standard   **MS = Meets Standard**   **DNMS = Does Not Meet Standard**

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BREEDS, PONY PARTS, COLORS

- Name and locate any 15 parts of the mount.

- Name and describe 6 colors of mounts.

- Name and describe 5 markings a mount might have.

- Name 5 equine breeds.

____ ES
____ DNMS
____ MS

HEALTH AND MAINTENANCE RECORD BOOK

- Provide a hard copy of mount's Health and Maintenance Record Book that contains the following:

  - Horse information and photo.
  - Contact information for vet and farrier.
  - Feeding information.

____ ES
____ DNMS
____ MS

STABLE MANAGEMENT

- Demonstrate tying a quick release knot with assistance if necessary.

- Name 5 grooming tools and describe how to use them.

- List 3 examples of unsafe horse equipment

- Name 3 common stable vices and give 1 possible cause for each vice named.

____ ES
____ DNMS
____ MS

TRAVEL SAFETY

- Name 2 pieces of equipment used on your mount for its safety in a trailer.

____ ES
____ DNMS
____ MS

NUTRITION

- Give 3 basic rules for feeding and explain feeding schedule for own mount.

____ ES
____ DNMS
____ MS

CONDITIONING

- Describe 2 signs that show when a mount is properly cooled out.

- Describe condition of own mount (e.g., thin, fit, or over-weight).

- What does TPR stand for?

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LAND CONSERVATION Talk with grandparents, parents, instructors, and/or older friends/neighbors about where they rode when they were young, and if those places are available to ride on today. • Discuss this information with your Examiner.	____ ES ____ DNMS ____ MS
HEALTH CARE AND VETERINARY KNOWLEDGE • Give 2 reasons to have your mount routinely checked by a veterinarian.	____ ES ____ DNMS ____ MS
TEACHING • Give 1 reason for checking girth and stirrup bars before mounting.	____ ES ____ DNMS ____ MS
RIDER SAFETY • Name 3 items that should be included in a human first aid kit. • Name 3 pieces of information that are required on the Medical Armband or Medical Bracelet. • Describe what you should do for yourself when you fall off a horse.	____ ES ____ DNMS ____ MS
EQUINE SPORTS • Name 3 disciplines listed on the USPC website.	____ ES ____ DNMS ____ MS

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COMMENTS (General impressions, suggestions for improvement):

When ALL sections have been tested, final Examiner sign here:_____

ES_____ MS_____ DNMS_____**PRINT EXAMINER NAME:**_____**DATE:**_____

Sections requiring retesting: (up to total of four)

A candidate may be re-tested as follows:

- Retest to cover not more than four sections of the test.

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- A candidate may retest only if the candidate qualifies for a retest by passing the minimum number of sections stated on the test sheet.

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- Failure of any section on that day will require retaking the entire test.

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- Those testing during the current year have until <u>December 1st</u> of the following year to retest. Candidates must arrange for retests through their DC/CA.

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ES_____ MS_____ DNMS_____

Retest Examiner SIGNATURE:_____

DATE: _____