



**Friesenpferde-Zuchtverband e.V.**  
**FPZV USA**

Mare Field Test Information  
2008

At the Mare Field Test we have the great opportunity to get our scored “Star” and “Model” mares tested at the judging tour in September/October.

At each judging site your mares can get tested :

- A. In dressage riding and driving or**
- B. In dressage riding only or**
- C. In driving only**

Your mare has to be ridden or driven twice at the test :

1. By the trainer of the mare or any rider you think can present her best.
2. By the foreign rider/driver, which is one person approved by the FPZV judging team

All mares which got scored for “Star” or “Model” in 2006 are be able to participate on the Field Test.

You also have the opportunity to present a mare for the test which just got scored for “Star” or “Model” at the judging in September/October 2008.

If your mare is not trained well to pass the test this year, you will have time to train her properly and present her at the Field Test next year or latest in 2010 ( mares have to pass the test within two years after judging for “Star” or “Model”).

The tests have to be done in English dressage style,- no Western style.

Saddle and tack : English ( look at our BBR ) and the rider/driver have to be dressed the same style.

Below we want to give you some information for the Field Test and which trainings level your mare should have to pass the test.

## Field Test

The field test covers the judgment of:

- a) The basic gaits walk, trot and canter under saddle (20% or 40%)
- b) The riding predisposition (suitability for riding) (25% or 50%)
- c) The riding predisposition and ease of movement under saddle by a foreign rider designated by the FPZV (5% or 10%)

**and/or**

- d) The driving predisposition (suitability for the driving) (25% or 50%)
- e) The basic gaits walk and trot pulling the carriage (20% or 40%)
- f) The driving predisposition and suitability for driving by a foreign driver designated by the FPZV (5% or 10%)

Single riding test or driving test: minimum score: Star 7.0 (Model 7.5).

The total score is the final score; all the basic gaits are scored. The three scores are added and divided by three, so you will get the score for basic movements; scores are rounded to .5

The Riding Performance Test results are based on a dressage performance test class "A" (AHSA/USDF First Level, under instruction of the judges (riders single or pair)

The driving test results are based on a custom test for driving horses in the class "A" (ADS First Level) under instruction of the judges with a single or with a two-axle carriage.

The judges can exclude horses from the test in all cases of coarse ill-treatment of horses.

The regulations for participation authorization are in force in the same sense for both station- and field test.

Performance Test Documentation for the Mare Performance Test - Field Test  
(For your information)

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The Mare registration number born  
sire dam

Owner Street City/State/Zip

Breeder Street City/State/Zip

Place of Performance Test

The performance test was completed with the following results:

Basic gaits under saddle x 0.20 =

Suitability for riding score x 0.25 =

Foreign rider score x 0.05 =

Basic gaits pulling carriage score x 0.20 =

Suitability for driving score x 0.25 =

Foreign driver score x 0.05 =  
Final score:  
Placement:  
Signatures of judges:

Training tasks for the Driving Test

The following tests are reprinted from task book, a book published by the FN.

Driving Performance Test:

A-X ENTER WORKING TROT  
(Straightness on center line)  
X HALT, SALUTE, PROCEED WORKING TROT  
(Quality of halt - attentive, motionless and straight)  
C TRACK RIGHT (Suppleness and rhythm)  
K-X-M CHANGE REIN AND LENGTHEN STRIDE (Suppleness and rhythm, quality  
of stride)  
M WORKING TROT  
(Transition suppleness and rhythm)  
C CIRCLE LEFT, 40 METER  
(Quality of trot and bend, roundness and size of circle)  
H-X-F CHANGE REIN AND LENGTHEN STRIDE  
F WORKING TROT  
A CIRCLE RIGHT, 40 METER  
K-X-M CHANGE REIN IN WALK  
(Suppleness, diligence, energy)  
M WORKING TROT  
H WALK  
A WORKING TROT  
F-M SIMPLE SERPENTINE, 10 METER OF THE TRACK  
(Quality of trot and bend)  
C HALT 10 SECONDS, PRECEDE WORKING TROT  
(Quality of halt and transitions)  
C-H-K-A-X-G  
WORKING TROT  
(Suppleness, energy of whole movement from C to G)  
A DOWN CENTER LINE  
G HALT, SALUTE  
LEAVE ARENA AT WORKING TROT AT A

Note: the tests for model and star mares are the same. However, the scores required to pass are different for model vs. star mare.

Dr. Oeppert (Breeding Director of FPZV) recommended using following trainings tasks  
for the riding test:

1999 USDF trainings level test 3 on a square 20 x 40 instead of 20 x 60

1. A Enter Working trot sitting
  
- X Halt, Salute, precede working trot sitting
2. C Track left  
E Turn left
- X Circle left 20 m
3. X Circle right 20 m  
B Turn right
4. Between A & K Working canter right lead
5. E Circle right 20 m
6. Between E & H Working trot sitting
7. MXK Change rein, working trot rising

K Working trot sitting

8. A Medium walk
9. FXM Free walk

M Medium walk

10. C Working trot sitting
  
11. E Circle left 20 m, trot rising, letting the horse  
Gradually take the reins out of the hands  
Before F gradually take up the reins  
E Working trot sitting and proceed straight ahead
  
12. Between A & F Working canter left lead
13. B Circle left 20 m
  
14. Between B & M Working trot sitting
15. HXF Change rein, working trot rising F Working trot sitting
16. A Down centerline X Halt, Salute

Leave arena at walk on A, Transitions in and out of the halt may be made through the walk. The free walk may be ridden with long or loose rein.

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If your mare has no problems to ride and/or drive these trainings tasks she is well prepared to pass the Mare Field Test.

We wish you best results for your mares.