

Driving Queensland Drive-W Challenge Test, designed for EA Affiliated Club Use

Suitable for singles of all heights, as well as pairs under 108cm



What You Need to Know

- 1. Horses/ponies must be at least four years old.
- 2. There is no time limit on the cones section. This phase may be completed entirely at a walk, or the athlete may choose to do some working trot, as stated in the test. Athletes choosing to only walk will not be marked down. Whichever option is chosen, the course should be completed smoothly, showing rhythm, flow, connection, straightness through cones, and bend through body as required, according to the FEI Scale of Training.
- 3. The arena is 20 x 60m for all entries.
- 4. The Chief Judge will be positioned at B. If a second judge is used, they will be positioned at C.
- 5. This test sheet should be used in conjunction with the Drive-W scoresheet. Athletes should pay attention to the Judge/s Directives.
- 6. Two- or four-wheeled carriages may be used. Wheel width should be 138cm. Cones width will have at least 40cm clearance (eg 178cm for a 138cm vehicle).
- 7. At least one competent adult Backstepper/Navigator must be on the carriage at all times, for Disability or youth (under 18) drivers. At least one navigator/backstepper is compulsory for all singles over 120cm, and for all multiples. A groom at E is compulsory where a Backstepper/Navigator is not required (single ponies under 120cm). The weight of the carriage and its occupants should not exceed 1.5 times the weight of the horse/s. If a Disability Driver has limited mobility, two grooms or backstepper/navigators will be required.
- 8. EA-approved and tagged helmets are compulsory for everyone on the carriage. There is a penalty if there is no whip on the carriage or no gloves on the Athlete and/or the Backstepper/Navigator.
- 9. Back/body protectors are compulsory for drivers and Backstepper/Navigator/s under 18 years. They are strongly encouraged for everyone on a carriage.
- 10. Second reins are allowed. The Backstepper/Navigator handling the reins must only use them where safety and horse welfare is compromised (penalties apply).
- 11. This test can be commanded from on the carriage (attached to the carriage, not held in the hands) or from E, without penalty. Athletes are still strongly encouraged to KNOW THEIR TEST.

The Test

A Enter at walk and proceed directly to approximately E. Follow the arena to C (Note – these tests do not start with a centre line).

C-M-R Continue to Walk, following the track of the arena. Judging commences at C.

R-S-R Circle right 20m diameter, in walk, or optionally, working trot, at the Athlete's discretion. No marks can be lost for walking only. Walk before R.

R-K Walk on a longer rein.

Between K and A Retake the reins.

A Halt for 5 seconds, proceed at walk.

A-F-B-R Follow the arena in walk.

R-S-R Circle left 20m diameter, in walk, or optionally, working trot, at the Athlete's discretion. No marks can be lost for walk only. Walk before R.

R-C Walk, following the arena.

C Start Cones course in this order – 1, 2, 3, left to 4, left to 5, right to 6. (If the setup for Drive-1 for small ponies is to be used, the order will be 5, 6, 7, left to 2, left to 3, right to 4, left to B. Number 1 will be omitted altogether) Cones can be walked or trotted, or a combination. After the course, drive up to the judge at B, side-on, halt and salute. Leave arena at a relaxed walk.





SCORESHEET For Driving Queensland Drive-W Challenge Test, Arena 20m x 60m, for all size singles and pairs under 108cm

Athlete's Name	Bridle Number (if required)				
Horse/s Name/s					
Official's (Judge's) Name	Signature				
Event Name and Location	Date				

Note - Whole and half marks allowed as Judge Marks, no time limit on any section of the test.

Category	Description	Judging Directives	Marks (out of 10)	Co-eff- icient	Total	Comments
Dressage	Basic Paces, Walk	Rhythm, purpose, covering ground, freedom in the shoulder, active hind- quarters, stretching to the contact, relaxation		X 2		
Cones	Note- trot is OPTIONAL. Good demonstration of trot may result in bonus marks. No trot cannot lose marks.	Obedience, elasticity, suppleness, contact, forward engagement, confidence and following the aids, maintaining tempo		X 2		
Overall Impression	Education of the horse/s according to the Training Scale	Rhythm, Suppleness, Contact (elasticity, willingness to stretch over the back, bending, obedience, responsiveness including halts). Multiples – harmony between the horses		X 3		
Athlete		Effectiveness of aids, ability to influence quality of paces and transitions, planning and set-out, harmony and flow of the performance, handling of the reins, whip and carriage, posture and position on the box.		Х З		
PENALTIES	Minus Dressage Penalties	1st error deduct 0.5%, 2 nd error deduct ar 3 rd error elimination. No gloves on athlet Backstepper/Navigator/s, deduct 1%. No deduct 1%. Second reins or whip used by 1%.	No gloves on athlete and/or or/s, deduct 1%. No whip on carriage,			Description of penalties if needed.
	Minus Cones Penalties	Knocking down 1 or 2 balls in the same obstacle, deduct 1%. Maximum deduction for balls knockdown is 3%			MINUS %	Total number of cones obstacles for this test is SIX. Number of obstacles with cones down Description of other penalties if needed.
TOTAL	Out of a POSSIBLE 100					%

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	For Adn	For Admin Use Scored by		Checked by			Place
		Movement		Judging Directives		Judge's Comments	· ·
1.	A	Enter at walk and pro approximately E. Fol	JUDGING BEGINS AT C Clear walk rhythm Obedience and balance to halt Straightness and stillness at halt				
2.	C-M-R R-S-R	Walk, following the track of the arena. Circle right 20m diameter, in walk, or optionally, working trot, at the Athlete's discretion. No marks can be lost for walking only. Walk before R.		Quality of transition to walk Balance and bend in corner Size and shape of circle Quality of pace on circle Regularity of trot, if attempted			
	R-K K-A	Walk on a longer rein. Retake the reins.		Forward and down over back Relaxation and reg Maintenance of wa retaking reins	gularity		
	A A-F-R	Halt for 5 seconds, p Follow the arena in w		Responsiveness of halt aid Attentiveness, imp for halt Responsiveness to forward after halt	mobility, time o walk		
	R-S-R R-M-C	optionally, working trot, at the driver'sQdiscretion. No marks can be lost forRwalk only. Walk before R.		Size and shape of Quality of pace on Regularity of trot, Balance and bend	circle if attempted		
	C	Start Cones course, ' left to 5, right to 6, le		Planning and set-o Smoothness and c			
		After number 6, drive at B, halt side-on and arena at a relaxed wa	I salute. Leave	Acceptance of hal Immobility at halt Relaxation on exit			