

LEVEL 4 4-H Horsemanship Skills MEMBER'S SKILL SHEET

Dressage Discipline Specific

Member's Name (Last) _____ (First) _____ (DOB) _____

Address _____

Club _____ County _____

Horse's Name _____ Date _____

This level may be completed by any Senior 4-H Member.

Riding Skills	Pass or Retest	Examiners' Comments
4-1 Proficiency in Levels 1, 2, and 3 skills		
<p>Horse and Rider will demonstrate harmony as a team in alignment with the USEF Second Level Dressage tests. The horse will have developed the thrust to achieve improved balance and throughness, accepts more weight on the hindquarters (collection); moves with an uphill tendency, especially in the medium gaits; and is reliably on the bit. A greater degree of straightness, bending, suppleness, throughness, balance and self-carriage is required.</p>		
4-2 Tack, attire and turnout is appropriate and correct for a recognized dressage show for the entire duration of the test, with the exception that the coat may be removed for section.		
<p>4-3 Ride and Discuss – Rider will be asked to perform a variety of First and Second Level movements and gaits while demonstrating proper position, hands, seat, and correct, effective use of aids. Rider will demonstrate both rising and sitting trot. Discussion will follow the performed movements using the USDF Pyramid of Training as the platform. Movements and gaits may be the following, including all acceptable first and second level transitions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium and free walk • Working, medium and collected trot and canter • Proper 10m, 15m, 20m circles and half circles • 20m rising trot allowing stretch forward and downward • Lateral work (leg yield, shoulder-in, travers, renvers) • Simple change of lead, serpentines and counter canter • Rein back • Half turn on haunches 		
4-4 Judge will score the horse and rider using a current USEF First Level Dressage test. Rider must pass with a minimum score of 60 percent. Test may be called.		

To pass this level, the 4-H member must have mastered each section of the test.

Passed _____ Retest _____

EXAMINER'S SIGNATURE: _____