

2026 NAPEC EXPERT TEST

<p>PURPOSE:</p> <p>To confirm that the horse demonstrates correct basics and that the rider maintains correct equitation, confirming that they are developing an understanding of correct and useful training. An understanding of test geometry and basics should be demonstrated. To show that rider understands how their seat and position correlates with their effectiveness and ongoing training. A greater degree of straightness, suppleness, thoroughness and balance are required to perform the movements with ease and self-carriage.</p>	<p>Additional Movements:</p> <p>20-meter circles; Transitions; Shoulder-In; Leg Yield; Side pass; Rein back; Turn on forehand</p>	<p><u>Conditions:</u> Average ride time: 6:00, suggest adding 2 min for scheduling purposes</p> <p><u>Arena Size:</u> 20m X 60m</p>
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		Test	Directives	Points	Coef	Total	Remarks
1.	A X	Enter trot Halt, hand salute Proceed trot	Willing, calm transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility during hand salute		2		
2.	C B	Track right Circle right 20m	Shape and size of circle; bend and balance; +1.0 for correct diagonal				
3.	After A	Turn on ¼ Line Leg Yield Left to the rail	Bend and balance in turn; straightness; alignment; steady tempo				
4.	H - M	Shoulder-In right	Angle; bend; alignment; steady tempo				
5.	M	Canter right lead	Willing, calm transition; balance				
6.	B	Circle right 20m	Shape and size of circle; bend and balance				
7.	Between B & F	Trot	Willing, calm transition; straightness				
8.	K - X - M	Change direction	Ground cover; straightness; steady tempo				
9.	E	Circle left 20m	Shape and size of circle; bend and balance; +1.0 for correct diagonal				
10.	After A	Turn on ¼ Line Leg Yield Right to the rail	Bend and balance in turn; straightness; alignment; steady tempo				
11.	M - H	Shoulder-In left	Angle; bend; alignment; steady tempo				
12.	H	Canter left lead	Willing, calm transition; balance				
13.	E	Circle left 20m	Shape and size of circle; bend and balance				
14.	Between E & K	Trot	Willing, calm transition; straightness				
15.	K	Walk	Willing, calm transition; straightness				
16.	A	Turn onto center line	Willing, bend and balance in turn; straightness				
17.	X	Halt 1/4 turn on the forehand left (haunches right)	Straight halt; willing movement of the haunches around the front legs with consistent tempo and inside flexion		2		
18.	X	1/2 turn on the forehand right (haunches left)	Willing movement of the haunches around the front legs with consistent tempo and inside flexion		2		

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19.	X	1/4 turn on the forehand left (haunches right)	Willing movement of the haunches around the front legs with consistent tempo and inside flexion		2		
20.	X	Halt, hand salute	Straightness; attentiveness; immobility during hand salute		2		

Leave arena at A in a walk with a long rein.

Collective Marks	Points	Coef	Total	Remarks
RIDER'S POSITION AND SEAT (Alignment; posture; stability; weight placement; following mechanics of the gaits)		3		
RIDER'S CORRECTIVE AND EFFECTIVE USE OF AIDS (Clarity; subtlety; independence; accuracy of test)		4		
GENERAL IMPRESSION (harmonious presentation of the rider/horse combination; discreet and effective influence of the aids)		3		
FURTHER REMARKS:				
To be deducted Errors of course and omissions are penalized			1st Time = 2 points	
			2nd Time = 4 points	
			3rd Time = Elimination	
			SUBTOTAL:	
			ERRORS: (-)	
			TOTAL POINTS:	
			(Max Points: 350)	