

Source USEF

21. Hunt Seat Equitation, Hunt Seat Trail

Reference Rules USEF Chapter "EQ"

21.1. Required Equipment

21.1.1. Saddle

21.1.1.1. Forward Seat Saddle, Multipurpose, English type saddle

21.1.2. Bits

21.1.2.1. Regulation Snaffle, Pelhams, Full Bridles, Kimberwicks, all with Cavesson nosebands.

21.2. Optional Equipment:

21.2.1. Spurs of an English type

21.2.2. Crops, bats, or whips may be no longer than 30" including lash

21.2.3. Gloves

21.2.4. English Breast Plate

21.2.5. Braiding of mane or mane and tail in hunt style

21.2.6. ½ Chaps

21.3. Prohibited Equipment:

21.3.1. Draw reins

21.3.2. Non-English type spurs

21.3.3. Western, Sidesaddles, Saddle Seat style cutback saddle, Dressage saddle

21.3.4. Bit Converters

21.3.5. Gag Bits

21.3.6. Ribbon, Glitter, & Sparkle (Exception: Residual from Working Pairs when scheduling does not allow its removal.)

21.3.7. Figure 8, Flash, or Dropped noseband

21.3.8. Martingales

21.3.9. Protective Boots, leg wraps and bandages

21.3.10. Side Pulls

21.4. Disqualifications (*Also see General Rules 8.0 Judging*)

21.4.1. If an athlete enters the arena with missing required equipment, illegal equipment, or illegal use of permitted equipment, including uniform violations, not considered to be unsafe, the athlete will be allowed to continue on the course and receive scores and comments, but will be disqualified from the event.

21.4.2. Obvious lameness or unsoundness detected in participating equine will result in disqualification.

Date: _____ District: _____

CLASS: HUNT SEAT EQUITATION

HIGH SCHOOL: _____ ATHLETE #: _____

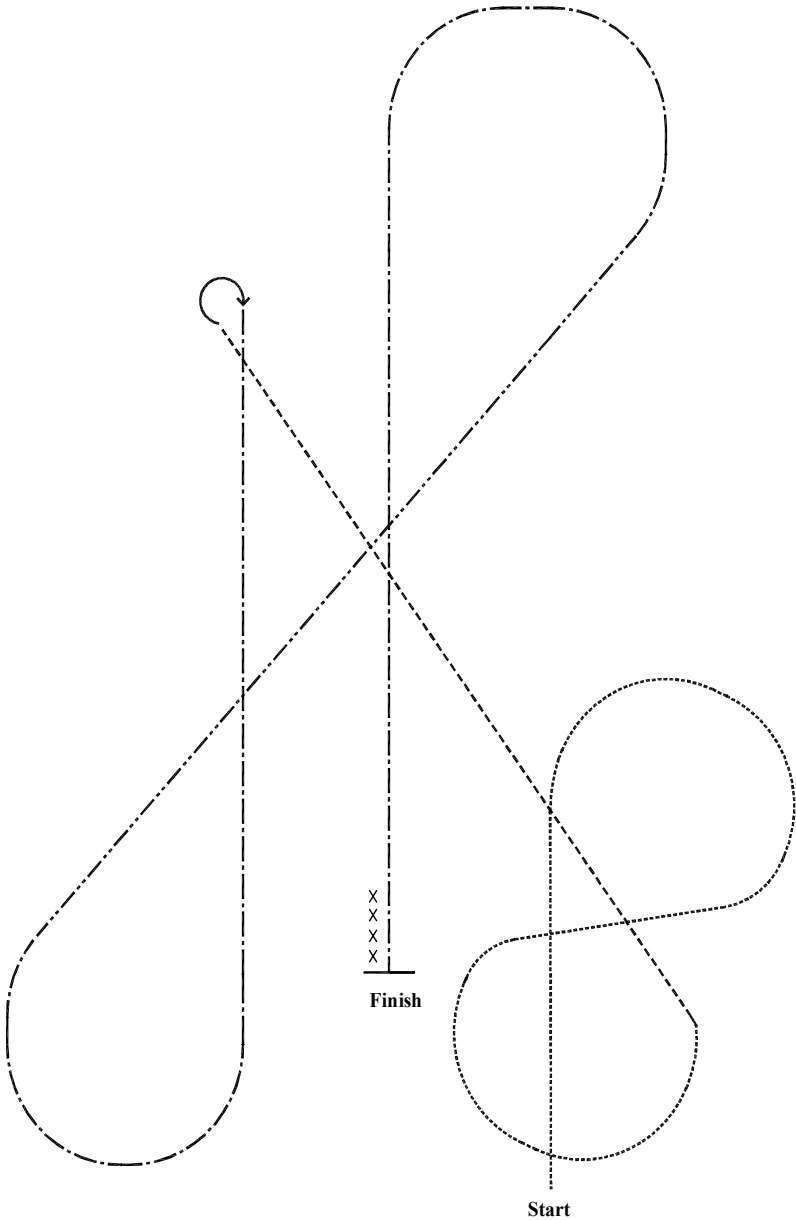
#	ELEMENT JUDGED:	COMMENTS:	Score
1.	Drop irons, posting trot, rise on correct diagonal. Begin small figure 8 to the right as diagramed demonstrating proper diagonal changes		
2.	Pick up irons before diagonal line		
3.	Extended trot across the diagonal		
4.	Halt, approximately 225° right forehand turn		
5.	Canter left lead, before corner change to right lead, loop onto diagonal line		
6.	Hand gallop		
7.	Before corner collect and change to left lead		
8.	Canter around corner and straight line as diagramed. Halt		
9.	Back approximately 4 steps		
10.	Overall Horsemanship		
11.	Rider Equitation-Seat, hands, legs.		

Judge's Signature: _____

Expectations:

- Light contact from hands to bit through reins is expected at all times. Elbows should be in a straight line formed from elbow through hands to bit. Hands form an "A" while keeping wrists straight.
- Consistent cadence, rhythm, and impulsion are expected throughout.
- Should be ridden as a flat class in preparation for over fences. Rider should maintain chin up, heels down, and leg contact with horse's barrel at all times.
- Little fingers may be either inside or outside of reins.
- Eyes should be kept up, looking toward next maneuver.
- Iron should remain on ball of foot throughout pattern (Except when asked to drop irons).
- At walk & trot, there should be a near straight line from the shoulder to the hip, to the heel.
- At canter and hand gallop, shoulders should be a couple of degrees in front of the vertical.
- Right diagonal means side to post on, not correct diagonal

Flying change - 0 - 10 points; Simple change - 0 - 8 points; Interrupted change - 0 points



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Legend :	
Sitting Trot	—————
Posting Trot	-----
Extended Trot	-----
Canter	-----
Hand Gallop	-----
Back	XXXXXX