



Level 1 Michigan Medals Test

(based on the principles of Western Dressage)

NOTE: Michigan Medals Tests do NOT count towards year end awards at the state or national level at this time. They are not affiliated with USEF, USDF, or WDAA. They may be ridden as Test of Choice.

PURPOSE:
To challenge horse and rider with Level 1 skills. Horse should be ridden forward with impulsion and greater balance and engagement than in Basic level. Rider should demonstrate correct posture, correct use of aids, and understanding of geometric figures.

NEW REQUIREMENTS:
360 Turn on Haunches & Forehand
10m Jog Circle
15m Lope Circle
Lengthening at Jog & Lope
Counter Lope
Reinback
Leg Yield

ENTRY NUMBER:

		TEST	DIRECTIVES	PTS	CO	TOTAL	REMARKS
1	A X	Enter working jog. Halt. Salute	Straightness on the centerline; Clear rhythm and tempo; Balanced and willing transition; Square and straight halt; Immobility				
2	X	360 turn on haunches (either direction). Proceed working jog	Maintenance of rhythm in pivot; Rides actively out of pivot				
3	C S E	Track left. Circle left 10 meters Turn left.	Balance and correct bend in turn; Roundness, size, and bend of circle; Quality of gait				
4	X	Halt. 360 turn on forehand (either direction) Proceed working jog.	Maintenance of rhythm; Rides actively out of turn				
5	B P	Turn right. Circle right 10 meters	Balance and correct bend in turn; Roundness, size, and bend of circle; Quality of gait				
6	F	Working lope, right lead.	Balanced and willing transition; Quality of gait				
7	A	Circle right 20 meters, lengthen stride on circle	Clear lengthening of stride; Quality of lope; Bend and balance of circle				
8	A	Circle right 15 meters working lope.	Bend and balance of circle; Regularity and clarity of gait				
9	K-H	One loop, 5 meters off track, maintaining right lead (counter lope).	Balance and correct bend; Accuracy of figure; Quality of gait		2		
10	M-X-K	Change rein working lope with change of lead through jog at X.	Straightness of diagonal; Accuracy of movement; Relaxed and willing change of lead				
11	A	Circle left 20 meters, lengthen stride on circle	Clear lengthening of stride; Quality of lope; Bend and balance of circle				
12	A	Circle left 15 meters working lope.	Bend and balance of circle; Regularity and clarity of gait				
13	F-M	One loop, 5 meters off track, maintaining left lead (counter lope)	Balance and correct bend; Accuracy of figure; Quality of gait		2		
14	C	Working jog.	Balanced and willing transition; Quality of gait				
15	K-D D-S	Half-circle left 10 meters. Leg-yield left	Correct flexion and balance; Fluidity; Cross-over of legs in leg yield		2		
16	H-G G-V	Half-circle right 10 meters. Leg-yield right.	Correct flexion and balance; Fluidity; Cross-over of legs in leg yield		2		
17	A P-S S	Working walk. Free walk. Working walk.	Quality of transition; Straightness on the diagonal; Willingness to stretch neck forward and downward; Clear				

			rhythm and tempo; Balanced and willing transition				
18	C M-X-K K	Working jog Change rein, lengthen stride at jog Working jog.	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride; Maintenance of tempo; Willingness of transitions				
19	A X	Down centerline. Halt. Back 4 steps.	Straightness and diagonal pairs in reinback; Correct count; Immobile and square halt				
20	X	Walk to X. Salute.	Willingness: Immobile and Square halt.				

Exit arena at A in a walk with looped or long reins.