

GENERAL RULES FOR FRIESIAN HORSES SUITABILITY EXAMINATION (IBOP)

Responsibility

The IBOP is conducted by the Koninklijke Vereniging "Het Friesch Paarden-Stamboek" (KFPS).

Purpose

The purpose of this examination is to establish a horse's suitability for various uses and to do so with the greatest degree of objectivity. Every horse aged four or older can be presented for this examination (riding test, driving test or show driving test). Participation in more than one test on the same day is possible. Horses can be entered for the examination via the KFPS. The results of an IBOP test can be used for obtaining the star, crown or model titles (see the KFPS registration regulations).

Location

The KFPS selects a location for conducting the testing and will arrange for any necessary equipment. The IBOP can be held indoors or outdoors as determined by the KFPS.

Countries other than the Netherlands

In some cases, deviations from the rules in regard to how the examination is to be administered shall be permitted for IBOP tests conducted in countries other than the Netherlands. Exactly what these are and whether they will be permitted shall be decided upon by the KFPS. Jury members must be qualified by the KFPS.

Participation

Regardless of discipline, a horse may participate in an IBOP no more than twice a year. This examination may be administered on the same day or on two different days. If the maximum number of two IBOP tests are being conducted on the same day, these will have to be in two different disciplines.

Presentation method

All tests will be ridden/driven individually. After the completion of the IBOP riding test, the participants will return to the ring in groups of two or three. At the request of the jury, the participants can be asked to repeat one or more of the components.

The tests as well as an explanation of the assessment criteria can be found in the most recent edition of the KFPS test booklet.

Training/basic condition

The horse being presented can be excluded for reasons to be determined by the jury committee (illness, lameness, etc.). The examinations can also be terminated by the jury committee if, in its opinion, the horse is not being presented or ridden in an acceptable manner.

The owner of the horse can determine whether he/she will present the horse him/herself or whether this task will be conducted by a third party.

Changing riders for various tests is also permitted.

Vaccination

Vaccinations should be listed in the passport. A vaccination certificate shall be considered valid only when it can be confirmed that it applies to the horse participating in the IBOP and when it shows that this horse has received the following influenza vaccinations:

- A. A basic vaccination series consisting of 2 vaccinations in which the second was given at least 3 and no more than 6 weeks after the first.
- B. This is to have been followed by an annual vaccination that was administered no more than 12 months after the previous vaccination.
- C. The last vaccination must have been administered at least 1 week prior to the IBOP.

Confirmation of vaccinations must be supplied in the form of a certificate signed/initialed and stamped by the veterinarian who administered the vaccination. The proof of vaccination (passport) must be sent for confirmation to the KFPS secretariat prior to the IBOP. Any horses that have not been properly vaccinated shall not be admitted to the testing site and shall not be assessed.

Members of the jury

The jury consists of two qualified jury members who have been appointed by the KFPS.

Results of the examinations

The jury will record its findings on a certificate. In addition to the scores, the committee shall also provide a brief explanation and any other significant information if necessary. To authenticate the certificate, the chairperson of the jury or another officer designated by the KFPS dates and signs it. The chairperson of the jury will notify the interested parties of the findings at the conclusion of the examinations. The interested parties will be sent the certificate after the test has been conducted. The findings will also be published in *Phryso* and on the KFPS website.

KEYS TO SCORES

The dressage testing under the saddle will be evaluated in accordance with the regulations and dressage testing book of the KNHS, but the various figures (0-10) used for scoring the various components listed under the evaluation headings can be described as follows:

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| 0 | not performed |
| 1 | very poor |
| 2 | poor |
| 3 | fairly poor |
| 4 | less than satisfactory |
| 5 | unsatisfactory |
| 6 | satisfactory |
| 7 | more than satisfactory |
| 8 | good |
| 9 | very good |
| 10 | exemplary |

The scores for each component shall be given in half and whole points.

EXAMINATION REGULATIONS FOR RIDING HORSES

General information:

The regulations and the dressage and driving examination book of the KNHS are an integrated element in this set of regulations. This means that the riding and driving tests are assessed as written in the riding and driving examination book of the KNHS and are based on the *Scala der Africhting* (scale of training).

Conditions:

Dimensions of ring: 20 x 40 meters (indoor or outdoor)

Set-up of ring: letters AFBMCHEK and minimal fencing behind the ring letters and at the corners

Tack:

As described in the KNHS regulations.

Examination:

All elements in the examination are to be administered all at once.

This test forms the basis for the assessment of suitability as dressage horse.

Assessment:

- a. walk
- b. trot
- c. canter
- d. carriage & balance
- e. agility
- f. transitions
- g. impulsion

IBOP RIDING TEST

Walk	Trot	Canter	Carriage & balance	Agility	Transitions	Impulsion	Total
2x	2x	2x	2x	1x	1x	1x	

Total: 110 points

EXAMINATION REGULATIONS FOR DRIVING HORSES

General information:

The regulations and the dressage and driving examination book of the KNHS are an integrated element in this set of regulations. This means that the riding and driving tests are assessed as written in the riding and driving examination book of the KNHS and are based on the *Scala der Africhting* (scale of training).

Conditions:

Dimensions of ring: 25 x 50 meters (indoor or outdoor)

Set-up of ring: letters AFBMCHEK and minimal fencing behind the ring letters and at the corners

Tack:

As described in the KNHS regulations.

Carriage:

As described in the regulations of the KNHS with the exception that a 4-wheeled carriage should be used during the IBOP examination.

Examination:

All elements in the examination are to be administered all at once.

This test forms the basis for the assessment of suitability as a driving horse.

Assessment:

- a. walk
- b. trot
- c. canter
- d. carriage & balance
- e. agility
- f. transitions
- g. impulsion

IBOP DRIVING TEST

Walk	Trot	Canter	Carriage & balance	Agility	Transitions	Impulsion	Total
2x	2x	2x	2x	1x	1x	1x	

Total: 110 points

EXAMINATION REGULATIONS FOR SHOW DRIVING HORSES

General information:

The regulations of the KNHS are an integrated element in this set of regulations.

Conditions:

Dimensions of ring: at least 25 x 50 meters (indoor or outdoor)

Set-up of ring: letters AFBMCHEK and minimal fencing behind the ring letters and at the corners

Tack:

As described in the KNHS regulations.

Carriage:

As described in the regulations of the KNHS with the exception that a 4-wheeled carriage (show cart) should be used during the IBOP examination.

Examination:

All elements in the examination are to be administered all at once.

The test consists of two parts: a basic test and a show test.

Assessment of the show test:

- a. walk
- b. trot (use of forelegs, use of hind legs, moment of suspension)
- c. carriage & balance
- d. front
- e. agility
- f. transitions
- g. impulsion & disposition

IBOP SHOW DRIVING TEST

Walk	Trot			Carriage & balance	Front	Agility	Impulsion	Total
	Use of forelegs	Use of hind legs	Moment of suspension					
1x	2x	2x	1x	2x	1x	1x	1x	

Total: 110 points