

Mane Show Horse Agility Course April 2024

Here is your course diagram for this month and instructions on how to complete it.

Build the course as close to the plan as you can, following the instructions. Follow any arrows as you complete the course. They are important! Use only a headcollar/halter on your horse and a long lead rope. (fly rugs, protective boots etc are allowed) You may use treats and clickers but NOT WHIPS OR STICKS OF ANY KIND.

Complete the course at walk keeping a loose lead rope between you and the horse, tight leadropes that pull or jerk on the horse will lose marks. Complete the course in number order following the arrows and instructions shown in each box.

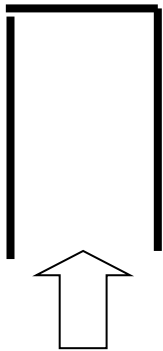
You must not stop or circle BETWEEN obstacles or you will lose marks from the next obstacle's score.

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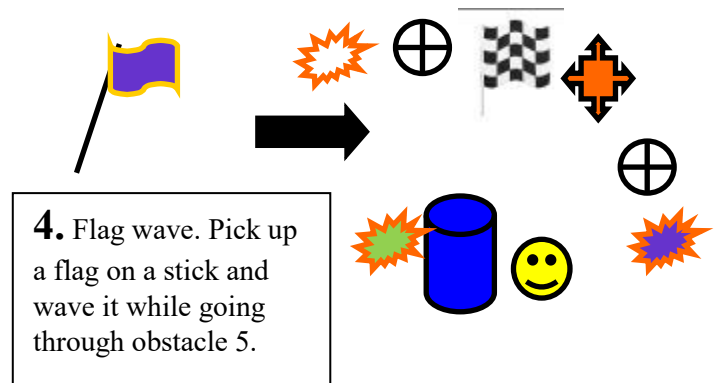
Obstacles are each marked out of 10. 5 marks for completing the obstacle, 5 marks for good horsemanship.

The course must be videoed without a break in the filming with the horse and the handler being in shot the whole time. Do

make sure that the obstacle is clearly in view when being negotiated or you will lose marks. **GOOD LUCK!**

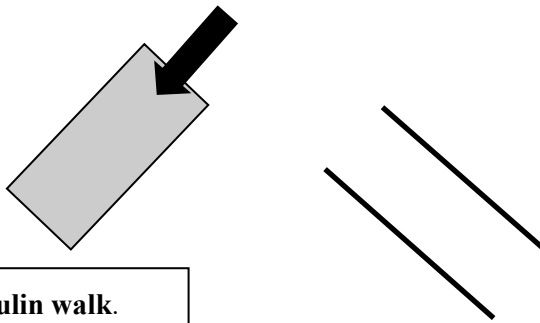


3. Box. Create a gap that is closed at one end. You can use a corner of the working area so that you only need to create one side. Sides must be solid as the horse must walk into a 'box'. The 'box' must be at least one horse length long, no more than 2m (6ft 6ins) wide and must have solid sides at least up to the elbow of your horse. We shouldn't be able to see the horse's legs or feet when he is standing in the box. Lead your horse into the gap, handler stays outside. Halt for a count of 3. Back horse out of 'box' using any method.



4. Flag wave. Pick up a flag on a stick and wave it while going through obstacle 5.

5. Scary Corner. Build a corner made up of things normally scary to horses. Make sure you have some things high and some things low down. Walk through with your horse.

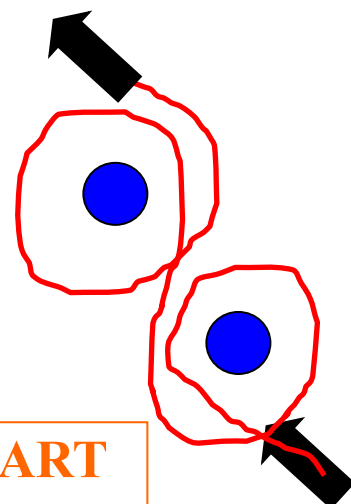


6. Tarpaulin walk.

Fold your tarpaulin so that it is no more than 2ft 6in (75cm) wide and at least one horse length long. Horse to walk over from end to end without stepping off the side. Do not use poles to mark the edge of the tarpaulin. Handler does not walk on tarp but is level with horse's shoulder.

2. Poles. Place two poles on the ground 3ft 3in (1m) apart. Lead your horse through until both front feet are beyond the end of the poles. Halt for a count of three. Back him through the poles until all four feet are clear of the poles. Then walk on through the poles. Handler can be anywhere but neither horse nor handler must step over or touch the poles.

1. Markers. Place two markers, cones or barrels one horse length apart and lead the horse round following the path of the red line in the diagram. Handler must remain at horse's shoulder throughout.



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