

CLASS 338: Water Obstacles

Level 3: Specialized Liberty

Competitor: _____

Division 3: Trail

Objective: To demonstrate effective communication and maneuvering while crossing water.

Equine: _____

Regulations: Liberty Performance, Trail Arena

Date Entered: _____

	BEHAVIOR	POINTS	SCORE	REMARKS
1.	Calm Default <i>The equine remains still and calm, with head forward or turned away from the competitor, as the competitor moves to stand on the left, right, and front, providing a C&T at each position.</i>	10		
2.	Forward Through Water <i>The equine walks forward through the water obstacle.</i>	10		
3.	Back Through Water <i>The equine backs through the water obstacle.</i>	10		
4.	Turn Right in Water <i>The equine enters the water, turns a full circle (360 degrees) to the right, and then exits the water.</i>	10		
5.	Turn Left in Water <i>The equine enters the water, turns a full circle (360 degrees) to the left, and then exits the water.</i>	10		
6.	Back <i>After pausing in a calm default position, the equine backs two steps away from the handler.</i>	10		

Further Remarks

Judge Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Total Points: _____ / 60

Percent Score: _____

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Equipment: Liberty Performance

Arena: Trail Arena

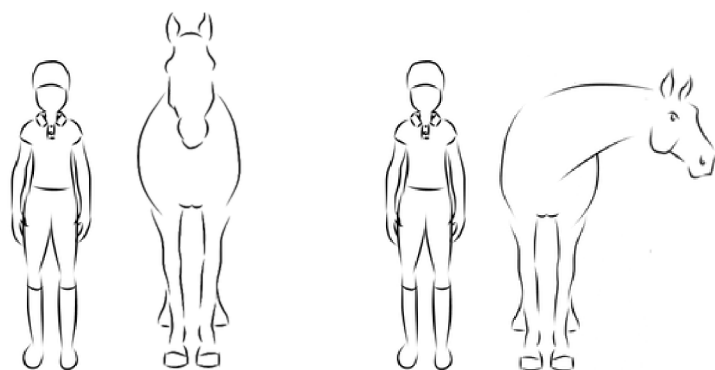
Trail obstacles may be built or designed in a variety of ways. The diagrams below show examples and specifications, however, not all obstacles need to look exactly like these. Contact TECS to confirm whether or not an obstacle meets TECS standards/requirements.

- Water obstacles should be at least:
 - 6' (180 cm) wide
 - 3' (90 cm) long
 - 1' (30 cm) deep
- Water obstacles should not require the equine to swim. The equine should be able to walk through, with hooves touching the ground the whole time.
- Water obstacles should have safe footing that prevents slipping, tripping, etc.

Liberty Classes: Calm Default, Backing

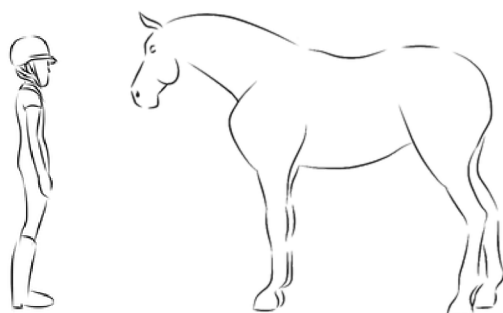
Objective: To demonstrate an effective, solid, and fluid calm default behavior at liberty.

Regulations: Liberty Handling



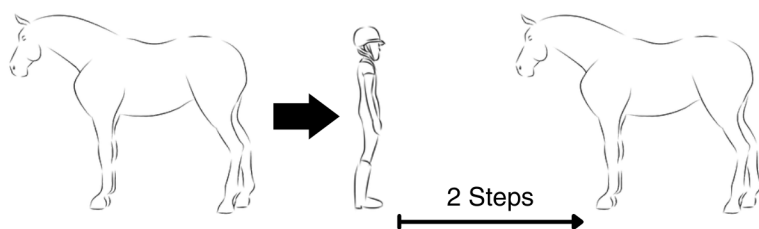
CALM DEFAULT - SIDE

From either side of the equine, the handler should stand still (vocal or stationary body language cues permitted). The equine should stand calmly and patiently with their head forward or away from the handler, ideally with a low headset (poll below the wither)



CALM DEFAULT - FRONT

From the front of the equine, the handler should stand still (vocal or stationary body language cues permitted). The equine should stand calmly and patiently with their head down or away from the handler, ideally with a low headset (poll below the wither)



BACK AWAY, 2 STEPS

From the front of the equine, the handler gives their cue. The equine backs two steps away from the handler, who must remain stationary during backing.