## **Oral Presentation**

## **Test Description:**

Examinee will give a public lecture on a pre-approved horsemanship topic chosen by the examinee. The topic should be communicated to the education chair at least one week before the exam and needs to be accepted by the judging panel. The presentation will be judged on accuracy and depth of information as well as the teaching skills necessary to give an informative and engaging presentation.

## **Procedures:**

The approximately 15-17 minute presentation will be held in front of the judges panel either in person or through zoom at discretion of the judge's. The presenter will be given a non-verbal time warning when there are 5 minutes left and when there is one minute remaining.

**Equipment:** The examinee may use slides, a powerpoint presentation or a poster, however these are not required. Notes are allowed on paper, note cards or in electronic form, however the presentation should feel as if it is being read verbatim. The examinee may also use visual aids such as pieces of equipment or other items that may help the audience to understand what is being said.

**Location:** The presentation will take place in an appropriate room or a suitable outdoor space.

| Element | Description   | Notes   | Score |
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| Content | The examinee demonstrates thorough research of the topic and presents it accurately with an appropriate depth using professional, correct and | ☐ The content of the presentation is accurate ☐ The presentation has appropriate depth ☐ Examinee uses professional vocabulary with explanations for terminology as |       |

|              | understandable<br>vocabulary.  | needed ☐ Presenter uses examples to aid understanding  |  |
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| Presentation | The presentation is well structured and flows well. The content is well explained and easy to understand. The presenter is able to engage the listener and shows confidence through body language and eye contact. | ☐ Content is well structured and flows ☐ Presentation maintains interest ☐ The content is well explained and easy to understand ☐ Body language and presentation is engaging ☐ Presenter has eye contact with judges panel and/or audience ☐ Presenter appears confident |  |
| Speech       | The examinee demonstrates a clear speech with appropriate volume and speed during the presentation. The content is presented fluently, without relying too   | ☐ Clear speech ☐ Appropriate volume ☐ Appropriate speed ☐ Freely presented   |  |

|              | much on notes, and shows familiarity with the topic.  |  |  |
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| Organization | The examinee shows good time management, finishing in an appropriate length of time. Time spent on various subtopics makes sense in accordance with complexity/importan ce in relation to overall topic. Materials the presenter wishes to use are set up and ready to use. | ☐ Correct length of presentation ☐ Time spent on subtopics in accordance with importance/comple xity ☐ Materials (if applicable) are set up and ready to use |  |