# HORSE RIDING CLUBS ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA INC.

## **DRESSAGE PENCILLERS' ABBREVIATIONS**

The following information is designed to assist anyone who may be required to act as a Penciller at a Dressage Event.

#### TEST:

Please read through the Test and be familiar with the letter positions around the arena and the sequence of movements.

#### JUDGE'S SHEETS:

Record the correct number, name of horse and rider at the top of the sheet. Mark the Competitor off on your time scheduled. The Judge will give a mark out of 10 for every movement and usually make comments as well. It is crucial that you record each mark correctly and this must take precedence over recording the comments. Make sure the numbers are written very clearly and any alterations must be initialled by the Judge. All movements must have a mark.

Use of the following symbols and abbreviations will assist you in recording the comments. Make other abbreviations as you see fit.

#### **GAITS and HORSE:**

HRSE	=	HORSE	1∕2 H	=	HALF HALT
Н	=	HALT	FW	=	FREE WALK
W	=	WALK	MW	=	MEDIUM WALK
Т	=	TROT	MED	=	MEDIUM
С	=	CANTER	EXT	=	EXTENDED/EXTIONSION
LGTH	=	LENGTH	COL	=	COLLECTED/COLLECTION
IRREG	=	IRREGULAR	ACT	=	ACTIVE/ACTIVITY
Q'S	=	QUARTERS	IMP	=	IMPULSION
1/4'S	=	QUARTERS	ST	=	STRAIGHT
H 1/4'S	=	HINDQUARTERS	RHYM	=	RHYTHM
F/H	=	FOREHAND	SQ OR □	=	SQUARE
FLEX	=	FLEXION	RESIS	=	RESISTING/RESISTANCE
TRANS	=	TRANSITION	4B	=	FOUR BEAT
A/BIT	=	ABOVE BIT	B/VERT	=	BEHIND VERTICAL

#### **MOVEMENTS and MARKERS:**

O	=	CIRCLE	5/5	=	SHAPE & SIZE
	=	SQUARE	C/L	=	CENTRE LINE
↑ TRANS	=	<b>UPWARD TRANSITION</b>	<b>↓ TRANS</b>	=	DOWNWARD TRANSITION
MRK	=	MARKER	CNR	=	CORNER
O/S	=	OUTSIDE	I/S	=	INSIDE
1 <sup>ST</sup> ½ O	=	1 <sup>st</sup> HALF CIRCLE	2 <sup>ND</sup> ½ O	=	2 <sup>ND</sup> HALF CIRCLE

### **TERMINOLOGY:**

<b>EXCELL</b>	=	EXCELLENT	VG	=	VERY GOOD
GD	=	GOOD	F/GD	=	<b>FAIRLY GOOD</b>
SATIS	=	SATISFACTORY	SUFF	=	SUFFICIENT
INSUFF	=	INSUFFICIENT	F/BAD	=	FAIRLY BAD
V/BAD	=	VERY BAD	N/EXEC	=	NOT EXECUTED
S/R	_	SHOULD RE			

At the conclusion of judging, please check that you have a mark recorded for every movement and that the Judge has signed the sheet. Please print the Judge's name at the bottom of the sheet.

#### **ERROR OF COURSE AND/OR ERROR OF TEST:**

Mark errors with an asterisk (\*) in the CORRECTION column and the total errors at the bottom of the sheet. Please do not talk to the Judge during the test except to clarify a mark or comment.