NOVATO TEST 2027 (updated October 2026)

Date:	Venue:	Judge:	Position:
Bridle No:	Rider:	Horse:	

Preliminary Level (National Test only). The test is to be performed in an arena of 60m x 20m.
For horses of 7 years old and over. Test may be performed in rising or sitting trot.
Snaffle bridle only, spurs optional, whips and callers allowed at qualifiers. Time allowed 6 minutes

Fig		Movements	Remarks	Max mark	Judge's mark
1	A X	Enter in working trot Halt, immobility salute		10	
2	X C	Proceed in working trot Turn left		10	
3	C A	Serpentine 3 loops, touching the long side of the track		10	
4	FXH	Change the rein in medium trot		10	
5	R	Circle 15 metres		10	
6	B E	Turn right Turn left		10	
7	V	Circle 15 metres		10	
8	Between K & A	Transition to medium walk		10	
9	F S	Extended walk		10 x 2	
10	S H	Medium walk		10 x 2	
11	Between H & C	Canter right		10	
12	BPVE	Medium canter on half 20m circle between P and V		10	
13	E	Transition gradually to working canter		10	
14	MXF	One loop 10m in from the track through X		10	

15	V R	Transition to working trot a few strides then proceed in working canter to the left		10	
16	HV	Medium canter		10	
17	Between V & K	Transition gradually to working canter		10	
18	FXM	One loop 10m in from the track through X		10	
19	Between C & H	Transition to working trot		10	
20	A X	Down the centre line Halt, immobility, salute		10	

TOTAL MARKS	**220**

Leave the arena at A in a free walk on a long rein

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	COLLECTIVE MARKS	COEF	TOTAL	OBSERVATIONS
21	**Paces** (Freedom & Regularity)	10 x 2		
22	**Impulsion** (Desire to move forwards, elasticity of the steps, suppleness of the back and engagement of the hind quarters)	10 x 2		
23	**Co-operation** (Attention and confidence, harmony, lightness and ease of movements, acceptance of the bridle and lightness of the forehand)	10 x 2		
24	**Rider's position and seat** (Correctness and effectiveness of the aids)	10 x 2		
	TOTAL COLLECTIVES:	**80**		**JUDGES COMMENT'S:**
	Penalty Points (to be deducted): 1st error: 0.5 point of 100 2nd error: 1 point of 100 3rd error: elimination Time faults: 0.2 point of 100			
	TOTAL MARKS 300			**Judge's signature:**

Total errors of course to deduct	
Total penalty marks to deduct	
Total marks to count	
Final Percentage:	%