



Programme

Part 1: Cavalry



VIII. International Open German Cavalry Championship

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Overview of tests

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Shortcuts

Abbreviation	Definition
<i>TA</i>	Time allowed
<i>TL</i>	Time limit
<i>TS</i>	Total score
<i>MK</i>	Mark (0.0 to 10.0)
<i>E</i>	Individual Test
<i>B</i>	Section Test
<i>D</i>	Dressage
<i>S</i>	Jumping
<i>W</i>	Mounted skills at arms
<i>K</i>	Shooting
<i>A</i>	Tack
<i>M</i>	Military
<i>MinT</i>	Minimum Tack
<i>MA</i>	Mark
<i>MKFORMULA</i>	$=(MK-5)*20$
<i>FIELDKIT_HORSE</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saddle and field kit according to national regulation and era • military bridle according to national regulation and era • martingale not allowed • front saddle pack (i.e. bags, pistol holsters, or great coat) and back saddle pack (bags, or great coat)
<i>FIELDKIT RIDER</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field uniform according to national regulation and era • Min requirements on weapons: sword/sabre or lance or carbine



Test-Nr	Indiv.-/Section Test	Test Type	Test Name
1	G	D	Section Inspection

Part 1 (Dressage Test)

a) Description:

Scoring the stage of riding training for mounts and riders of a section. The requirements are based on the military riding instructions at the beginning of the 20th century. One handed and double handed riding based on the requirements defined in the test.

b) Requirements:

Requirement	Value
Section dressage test	KA1
Number of riders per section	4-6
Test will be commanded from the first rider	
Dressage arena	20 x 40 m
<i>TL</i>	8 min

c) Scoring:

MK for an entire group impression

Reductions:

- Each error of course: -0.2 (3rd time elimination)
- noncompliance with **MinT**: -0.5 per rider that is uncompliant (max. -2.0)
- **If not commanded by the 1st rider, the group will receive an additional 0.5 points deduction from the total score**

Eliminations:

- Fall of a rider
- 3rd error of course
- Leaving the arena with all 4 legs

d) Kit:

Horse:

- Saddle according to national regulation and era, or English saddle
- Bridle:
 - German competitors: double bridle
 - International competitors: Pelham with 2 or 4 reins allowed
- martingale not allowed; bandages not allowed

Rider:

- uniform for horse shows according to national regulation and era
- No weapons
- No whip

Additional comments on Reins:

- International competitors are allowed to ride with pelham with 2 or 4 reins. There are following rules based on the German test requirements:



German test requirement	To be applied with pelham
„Mit durchgezogener Trense“	One handed
„Mit angefasster Trense“	2 handed



Part 2 (Section Drill)

a) Description:

Scoring the stage of drill training for a section: exact, uniform, and fast execution of cavalry drill elements, additionally riding the right pace.

b) Requirements:

Requirement	Value
Section drill test	KG2
Number of riders per section	4-6
Section leader in line. Section leader in front of a section allowed with a section of 5 or 6 riders	
Commands allowed	
To be ridden one-handed with drawn sword/sable or lance	
Arena	40 x 80 m
TL	8 min

c) Scoring:

MK for an entire group impression

Reductions:

- Each error of course **-0,2** (3rd time elimination)
- noncompliance with **MinT**: - **1,0** per rider that is uncompliant **MinT** (Max. **-4,0** reduction)

Eliminations:

- Fall of a rider
- Losing a weapon
- 3rd error of course
- Leaving the arena with all 4 legs

d) Kit:

Horse:

- **FIELDKIT_HORSE**
- bandages not allowed

Rider:

- **FIELDKIT_RIDER**

TS of Test Nr. 1 BD Section Inspection:

MKFORMULA(MK part 1) + score part 2



Test-Nr	Indiv.-/Section Test	Test Type	Test Name
2	G	S	Section Cross Country

a) Description:

Scoring the performance of a section in cross country riding. Testing of clearing natural obstacles and keeping full use performance at finish. Test of bullet and use proof.

b) Requirements:

Requirement	Value
Number of riders in a section: 4 riders in the classification the remaining riders with white armband	1-4
Number of obstacles	15
Pace	250 meters/min
Length of the course	10 km
Type of obstacles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Natural fences (max. 80 cm) Climbing Open water Dry ditches
Vet check after finish	
After the horse inspection, familiarization tests: A) Cantering over a footbridge (simulated with two poles, 40 cm width of the distance, 10 m long) B) Overcoming a water ditch (rubber water ditch from jumping course) C) Obedience circle: place horse in 5 m circle, dismount, rider leaves circle for a drink and mounts horse from the right side (mounting aid permitted)	

c) Scoring:

Each rider of a section clears an obstacle: 5 points
 Vet check after finish: each horse with full performance: +5 points
 Time measured with first rider of a section crossing the starting line and last rider crossing the finish line
 Dropping out a rider: the section will be scored as long as there is at least 1 rider remaining
 Each bullet and use proof scores with max 10 points

Tie on points: Ranking based on minimum time delta to **TA**

Reductions:

- Exceeding or below the **TA**: -0.2 per beginning second
- Being not compliant with **MinT**: -5 per rider that is uncompliant

Elimination:

- Fall of last rider of a section

d) Kit:

Horse:

- FIELDKIT_HORSE**
- bandages allowed

Rider:

- FIELDKIT_RIDER**



- Modern protective equestrian headgear allowed



Test-Nr	Indiv.-/Section Test	Test Type	Test Name
3	G	W	MSAA Section Lance

a) Description:

Mounted skills at arms test of a section (4 riders) with lance cross country.

b) Requirements:

Requirements	Value
Number of riders in a section	1-4
Number of targets	8 - 10 target groups a 4 targets
Pace	400 m/min
Length of the course	Ca. 1 km
Target types	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small straw bag on height 1,50 meters: score when lance hits the bag • Small straw bag on ground: score when lance hits the bag
There are scores just one target per rider per target group	
Compulsory passages	
Simulated artillery detonations	
Lances (320 cm length) will be provided. Own lances might be used after checking by the judges.	

c) Scoring:

Each correct hit of a rider in full canter earns 5 points.

Needing less than **TA** earns plus point: +2 per beginning second

Time measured with first rider of a section crossing the starting line and last rider crossing the finish line

Tie on points: Ranking based on shorter time

Reductions:

- Exceeding **TA**: -2 per beginning second
- Being not compliant with **MinT**: -5 per rider that is uncompliant

Elimination:

- Fall of last rider of a section
- Exceeding **TL** (2 * **TA**)

d) Kit:

Horse:

- **FIELDKIT_HORSE**
- bandages not allowed

Rider:

- Field uniform according to national regulation and era
- Modern protective equestrian headgear allowed
- Lance



Test-Nr	Indiv.-/Section Test	Test Type	Test Name
4	E	K	Shooting Carbine 98

a) Description:

Shooting competition with Mauser Carabine 98k

b) Requirements:

Requirement	Value
Training shots and ranked shots	7
4 carabiners are provided, which are used exclusively	
Distance	50 m
Target	10 rings target
Aiming position	Laid up (lying)
Each section competing at the military competition needs to nominate 4 shooters in advance	
Weapons will be provided	

c) Scoring:

Sum of hit rings of all value shots.

The 5 best shots will be ranked

d) Kit:

Rider:

- Field uniform according to national regulation and era
- Ear protection



Test-Nr	Indiv.-/Section Test	Test Type	Test Name
5	E	D	Dressage Test

a) Description:

Scoring the stage of riding training for mount and rider. The requirements are based on the military riding instructions beginning of the 20th century. The test needs to be ridden with **double bridle**.

b) Requirements:

Requirement	Value
Dressage tes Kandarenprüfung einzel geritten nach vorgegebener Aufgabe, einhändig, rechte Hand wird an der Seite hängen gelassen t	KE7
Dressage arena	20 x 40 m
Time limit	10 min

c) Scoring:

Scoring with **MK**.

Reductions:

- Each error of course -0.2
- Each reining in/regripping of the reins -0.2
- Noncompliance with the equipment according to point d): -0.5 with noncompliance equipment

Scoring for Military competition:

- $MKFORMULA(MK)*2$

Eliminations:

- Fall of a rider
- 3rd error of course
- Leaving the arena with all 4 legs.

d) Kit:

Horse:

- Saddle according to national regulation and era, or English saddle
- Bridle:
 - German competitors: double bridle
 - International competitors: Pelham with 2 or 4 reins allowed
- martingale not allowed; bandages not allowed

Rider:

- Uniform for horse shows according to national regulation and era
- No weapons
- No whip

Additional comments on reins:

- International competitors are allowed to ride with pelham with 2 or 4 reins. There are following rules based on the German test requirements:

German test requirement	To be applied with pelham
„Mit durchgezogener Trense“	One handed



Test-Nr	Indiv.-/Section Test	Test Type	Test Name
6	E	S	Jumping (Basic)

a) Description:

Scoring the style of the rider in a jumping test.

b) Requirements:

Requirement	Value
Number of obstacles	Up to 10
Pace	350 m/min
Length of course	400 – 500 meters
Type of obstacles	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Upright fence max 80 cm• Spread fence max 80 cm height, 75 – 105 cm long• Double combination

c) Scoring:

Scoring based on jumping faults and time

Faults:

- Jumping fault: 4
- Refusal: 3
- Exceeding **TA**: 0.25 per beginning second

Eliminations:

- 3rd refusal
- Fall of rider
- Exceeding **TL** (2* **TA**)
- **The jumping test must be ridden immediately after the 5 ED test. The riders have 15 minutes until the start of the competition.**

If an obstacle needs to be adjusted due to a refusal the time keeping will be stopped and resumed after fixing (both signaled by ringing the bell). 6 seconds will be added additionally.

TS of rider: (**MA** – reductions)* 20

d) Kit:

Horse:

- Saddle according to national regulation and era, or English saddle
- military bridle according to national regulation and era, or snaffle
- martingale allowed
- bandages or brushing boot allowed

Rider:

- Uniform for horse shows according to national regulation and era
- No weapons
- Modern protective equestrian headgear allowed
- Whip allowed



Test-Nr	Indiv.-/Section Test	Test Type	Test Name
7	E	S	Jumping (Higher Req.)

a) Description:

Scoring the style of the rider in a jumping test.

b) Requirements:

Requirement	Value
Number of obstacles	Upt to 10
Pace	350 m/min
Length of course	400 – 500 meters
Type of obstacles	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Upright fence max 105 cm• Spread fence max 105 cm height, 75 – 105 cm long• Double combination

c) Scoring:

Scoring based on jumping faults and time

Faults:

- Jumping fault: 4
- Refusal: 3
- Exceeding **TA**: 0.25 per beginning second

Eliminations:

- 3rd refusal
- Fall of rider
- Exceeding **TL** (2* **TA**)

If an obstacle need to be adjusted due to a refusal the time keeping will be stopped and resumed after fixing (both signaled by ringing the bell). 6 seconds will be added additionally.

TS of rider: (**MA** – reductions)* 20

d) Kit:

Horse:

- Saddle according to national regulation and era, or English saddle
- military bridle according to national regulation and era, or snaffle
- martingale allowed
- bandages or brushing boot allowed

Rider:

- Uniform for horse shows according to national regulation and era
- No weapons
- Modern protective equestrian headgear allowed
- Whip allowed



Test-Nr	Indiv.-/Section Test	Test Type	Test Name
8	E	W	MSAA Indiv. Lance

a) Description:

Mounted skills at arms test lance for single riders cross country.

b) Requirements:

Requirement	Value
Number of targets	Up to 10
Pace	350 m/min
Length of course	Ca. 200 m
Target types	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Small straw bag on height 1,50 meters: score when lance hits the bag• Small straw bag on ground: score when lance hits the bag
Type of stab will be predefined (stab with point of lance, or stab with end of lance etc.)	
Lances (320 cm length) will be provided. Own lances might be used after check by the judges.	
The entire length of the course must be ridden in one tour at a canter	

c) Scoring:

Each correct hit of a rider in full canter earns 20 points.
Needing less than **TA** earns plus point: +4 per beginning second

Tie on points: Ranking based on shorter time

Reductions:

- Exceeding **TA**: -2 per beginning second
- noncompliance with **MinT**: -5 points
- Refusals at the obstacle/finish or the horse falling out at trot or walk are each penalized with a 5-point deduction

Elimination:

- Fall of rider,
- Leaving the course
- losing the weapon
- Exceeding **TL** (2 * **TA**)
- 3rd refusal at the finish or 3rd failure in trot and walk lead to elimination

d) Kit:

Horse:

- **FIELDKIT_HORSE**
- bandages not allowed

Rider:

- Field uniform according to national regulation and era
- Modern protective equestrian headgear allowed
- Lance





Test-Nr	Indiv.-/Section Test	Test Type	Test Name
9	E	W	MSAA Indiv.Sword/Sabre

a) Description:

Mounted skills at arms test sword/sabre for single riders cross country.

b) Requirements:

Requirement	Value
Number targets	Up to 10
Pace	350 m/min
Length of course	Ca. 200 m
Target types	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Twig: score when cut or completely bent• Small straw bag on height 1,50 meters: score when sword/sabre hits the bag• Small straw bag on ground: score when sword/sabre hits the bag• Fence (max. 80 cm) with twig behind: score when fence cleared and twig cut or bent
The entire length of the course must be ridden in one tour at a canter	

c) Scoring:

Each correct hit of a rider in full canter earns 20 points.
Needing less than **TA** earns plus point: +4 per beginning second

Tie on points: Ranking based on shorter time

Reductions:

- Exceeding **TA**: -2 per beginning second
- Being not compliant with **MinT**: -5
- Refusals at the obstacle/finish or the horse falling out at trot or walk are each penalized with a 5-point deduction

Elimination:

- Fall of rider,
- Leaving the course
- losing the weapon
- Exceeding **TL** (2 * **TA**)
- 3rd refusal at the finish or 3rd failure in trot and walk lead to elimination

d) Kit:

Horse:

- **FIELDKIT HORSE**
- bandages not allowed

Rider:

- Field uniform according to national regulation and era
- Modern protective equestrian headgear allowed
- Sword or sabre



Test-Nr	Indiv.-/Section Test	Test Type	Test Name
11	E	S	Steeple Chase

a) Description:

Steeple Chase.

b) Requirements:

Requirement	Value
Number of obstacles	4
Length of course	Ca. 1500 m
Type of obstacles	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Steeple chase hurdle (80 cm)
Flying start in walk with flag or cannon shot	
If more than 8 competitors attend, we might run more than one race with separate ranking.	

c) Scoring:

Ranking according to passing the finishing line.

d) Kit:

Horse:

- Saddle according to national regulation and era, or English saddle
- military bridle according to national regulation and era, or snaffle
- martingale not allowed
- bandages or brushing boot allowed

Rider:

- Uniform for steeple chases according to national regulation and era
- No weapons
- Modern protective equestrian headgear allowed



Test-Nr	Indiv.-/Section Test	Test Type	Test Name
12	G	M	Section Military (International)

a) Description:

Military test of a section (international). Scoring the broad cavalry riding performance.

b) Requirements:

Section attends test nr. 1, 2, 3 and 4

c) Scoring:

Sum scores out of test nr. 1, 2 and 3 plus the shooting results of 4 upfront nominated shooters of the section in test nr. 4.

Tie on points: Ranking based on better shooting results.

d) Kit: n/a

Test-Nr	Indiv.-/Section Test	Test Type	Test Name
13	E	M	Indiv. Military (international)

a) Description:

Military test of an individual rider (international). Scoring the broad cavalry riding performance.

b) Requirements:

Individual attends test nr 4, 5, 6, 8, 9

c) Scoring:

Sum scores out of test nr. 4, 5, 6, 8, 9

Tie on points: Ranking based on better shooting results.

d) Kit: n/a