

GEEZER DIVISION OBSTACLE INSTRUCTIONS - 2016

OBSTACLE #1 - NEGOTIATE DOWNFALL

There is downfall on the trail, and it is the rider's job to navigate the trail in the safest manner with the least amount of disturbance of the branches. You are being judged when you pass the entry cone. You are to proceed past the entrance cone, go forward through the downfall, walk beyond the exit cone, halt, count to five, turn 180 degrees and return in the path you just took, past the entrance cone. Your horse must respond properly to cues and not rush or scatter the branches.

OBSTACLE #2 - FIGURE 8

Rider is to back around two oak trees in a figure 8. Rider to proceed past the entry/exit cone and position the horse to back around the two trees in a figure 8. The rider is not to back over the center pole, but straight along side of it to the end and then continue the back around the other tree. The rider may start the back in either direction. Rider to then to back past the entry/exit cone and exit the obstacle.

OBSTACLE #3 - LOG MOUNT

Using the log, rider is to smoothly dismount and mount their horse, their horse to stand quietly. Rider to proceed past the entry cone and dismount onto the log, using the off side. The rider to step down off the log to the ground, lead the horse into position for the rider to use the log to mount from the other or near side. Rider may lead with the reins. Mount the horse, ride past the cone and exit the obstacle.

OBSTACLE #4 - WAGON WHEEL

Rider is to ride their horse in a circle over the poles keeping the circle even and round. Rider to enter with a side pass over one of the spokes into the wagon wheel from either direction at the entry/exit cone and complete one full circle, and pass the entry/exit cone and side pass one of the spokes of the wagon wheel to exit, proceed out of the obstacle.

OBSTACLE #5 - CROSSING THE LAKE

Rider to demonstrate a safe water crossing. Rider to go past the entry cone, enter the water over the trail, after a few steps with all feet in the water, stop your horse, count to five, then continue forward walking along the underwater trail, proceed past the exit cone and exit the obstacle.

OBSTACLE #6 - LABYRINTH

Rider to enter labyrinth at the cone and walk forward through the maze without stepping on or over the poles. When finishing the forward movement through the obstacle, your horse is to stop briefly, then back the obstacle the same route to past the entry/exit cone. Rider to proceed backing past the exit cone and exit the obstacle.