# BHSI – RIDE OBSERVATION SHEET (General Pathway)

**SECTION 2. RIDE AND ASSESS 2 HORSES (Dressage)**

(Session time approximately 60 mins. Including discussion with assessor.)

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| Assessor name: |  | | |
| Candidate name: |  | | |
| Date: |  | Centre: |  |

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| All red criteria and a minimum of 8 total criteria **must** be achieved  Maintain health, safety and welfare of horse, self and others.  Demonstrate competence to accurately assess horses' potential for training riders on the flat up to and including Advance Medium level.  .  Demonstrate competence to plan ridden training sessions  Demonstrate competence to develop skill levels in horses.  Demonstrate competence to work with empathy, effect, feel and understanding for the horse’s capacity to learn and its wellbeing.  Demonstrate and discuss the requirements of dressage riding for competition, including Advanced Medium and assessments.  Show clear and accurate communication skills when discussing horses.  Show understanding of systematic training of dressage horses.  Be able to use the Training Scale and the scale of marks as objective measurement criteria and understand the collective marks.  Demonstrate competence to discuss development and future planning.  Show ability to use a positive self-reflection process. |  |  |
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| **COMPETENT** | **NOT YET COMPETENT** |

**PTO for General Criteria**

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|  | **Achieved?** |
| Prioritise the wellbeing and welfare of the horse | Y N |
| Interact and communicate with people effectively | Y N |
| Read and empathise with all equines | Y N |
| Show practical competence when handling horses and equipment | Y N |
| Maintain composure, focus and self-control at all times | Y N |
| Recognise own limitations and remain receptive and perceptive | Y N |
| Show ability to work in a pressurised situation subject to time constraints | Y N |
| Understand the role of the BHS within the equestrian community | Y N |
| Understand the links between coaching and competition | Y N |
| Self-reflect and evaluate performance | Y N |

**GENERAL CRITERIA FOR THE BHSI RIDING CERTIFICATES**