

PATH Intl. Driving Instructor Level I Certification Criteria

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A certified PATH Intl. Driving Instructor - Level I must demonstrate basic levels of competency in equine management, horsemanship, driving instruction, teaching methodology and disabilities. The list below itemizes the skills and subject matter that a level I instructor is expected to know.

DL1E.	<u>EQUINE MANAGEMENT</u>
DL1E. 1.0	PATH Intl. Standards
DL1E. 1.1	Know and implement PATH Intl. Standards
DL1E. 1.2	Know and implement PATH Intl. Driving Standards
DL1E. 2.0	Breeds/Colors/Markings/Parts of the Equine
DL1E. 2.1	Identify an equine by <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) age2) color and marking3) breed characteristics4) height and weight
DL1E. 2.2	Know the parts of the equine
DL1E. 3.0	Equine Senses and Behavior
DL1E. 3.1	Know the characteristics of the equine senses
DL1E. 3.2	Know the characteristics of equine behavior
DL1E. 3.3	Know how the senses of the equine and equine behavior affect driving safety
DL1E. 3.4	Identify stable vices including: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) cribbing2) weaving3) biting and kicking4) wood chewing5) pawing
DL1E. 4.0	Feeds and Feeding
DL1E. 4.1	Know feed requirements of the equine, including: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) hay2) salt and minerals3) grain4) feeding intervals5) water
DL1E. 4.2	Recognize signs of poor quality feed

DL1E. 5.0	Stable Management
DL1E. 5.1	Identify appropriate protection for equines including: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) fly masks and bonnets2) shelter3) fly repellents
DL1E. 5.2	Know equine manure handling Methods for sanitary conditions of stall & turn out areas
DL1E. 5.3	Identify bedding materials
DL1E. 5.4	Identify potential stall hazards
DL1E. 6.0	Health and Sickness
DL1E. 6.1	Know & recognize the signs of: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) behavior change2) rabies3) colic4) ringworm5) good health6) thrush7) laminitis8) weight loss
DL1E. 6.2	Know and recognize when an equine is unsound
DL1E. 6.3	Identify normal ranges and how to take TPR (temperature, pulse, respiration)
DL1E. 6.4	Describe deworming, vaccination, hoof and teeth care programs
DL1E. 6.5	Know first aid treatment for wounds
DL1E. 7.0	Grooming
DL1E. 7.1	Identify and explain the use of grooming tools including: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) currycomb2) mane or tail comb3) hard or dandy brush4) soft or body brush5) shedding blade6) sponges7) hoof pick
DL1E. 7.2	Know how to bathe an equine
DL1E. 7.3	Know how to cool down an equine following a work session
DL1E. 7.4	Know how to clip an equine for maintenance including: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) bridle path2) muzzle3) fetlock

DL1E. 8.0	Harness, Harnessing, and Vehicles	DL1E. 8.13	Know how to balance a two-wheeled cart
DL1E. 8.1	Identify and know the purpose, use and function of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) harness-parts (light horse) 2) bits 3) adapted equipment 4) two sets of reins (one for able-bodied whip and one for the participant) 5) safety helmets 	DL1E. 8.14	Know and demonstrate vehicle cleaning, care, and maintenance
DL1E. 8.2	Know the parts of harness <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) light carriage harness 2) two types of draft collars 3) parts of the draft collars 	DL1E. 9.0	Unsoundness and Blemishes/Form to Function
DL1E. 8.3	Know how to harness an equine <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) with a light carriage harness 2) with a draft collar 	DL1E. 9.1	Recognize the difference between a blemish and an unsoundness
DL1E. 8.4	Select and evaluate equipment needs for drivers and equines including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) type and size of vehicle or cart (vehicle) 2) how the movement of the cart and vehicle affects drivers with disabilities 3) how the harness affects the equine 4) adapted equipment 	DL1E. 9.2	Identify and describe the foot falls and beats of the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) walk 2) trot or jog 3) canter or lope
DL1E. 8.5	Know how to fit the harness to an equine <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) light carriage harness 2) draft collar 	DL1E. 10.0	Selection and Training
DL1E. 8.6	Know how to fit the vehicle to the equine	DL1E. 10.1	Explain the characteristics of a therapeutic driving equine
DL1E. 8.7	Know how to put equine to the vehicle including, but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) wrap straps/over girth 2) holdback straps 3) competition shafts 	DL1E. 10.2	Know how to train an equine to accept: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) headers and sidewalkers 2) ambulation aids 3) game equipment 4) procedures for entering and exiting the vehicle 5) two sets of reins (one for able-body whip and one for the participant)
DL1E. 8.8	Know how to handle two sets of reins	DL1E. 10.3	Recognize the need for a conditioning and maintenance program for therapeutic driving equines including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) lunging 2) long lining 3) schooling 4) record keeping
DL1E. 8.9	Know and demonstrate a one-handed technique of reinsmanship	DL1H.	<u>HORSEMANSHIP</u>
DL1E. 8.10	Know how to educate the team, including able-bodied whip, drivers and volunteers, in the use of the equipment	DL1H. 1.0	Horsemanship Preparation and Safety
DL1E. 8.11	Know and demonstrate harness cleaning, care, and maintenance, look for stress points on harness.	DL1H. 1.1	Know and demonstrate the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) haltering and leading 2) tying a quick release knot 3) grooming and harnessing 4) proper driving attire 5) putting to vehicle comers and on circles
DL1E. 8.12	Know parts of the vehicles including, but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) reach/perch 2) fifth wheel 3) 2 types of springs 4) types of brakes 	DL1H. 2.0	Entering and exiting vehicles
		DL1H. 2.1	Know and demonstrate an equipment check prior to able-bodied whip getting into vehicle
		DL1H. 2.2	Know and demonstrate assistance for entering and exiting the vehicle to a driver with disabilities

DL1H. 3.0	Position	DL1H. 8.2	Know and demonstrate design and set up a cones course
DL1H. 3.1	Know and demonstrate correct driving position	DL1H. 8.3	Know and demonstrate design of a simple dressage course
DL1H. 3.2	Know and demonstrate shortening and lengthening of reins	DL1H. 9.0	Hours of Experience
DL1H. 3.3	Know and demonstrate proper use position for a whip	DL1H. 9.1	Driving experience of 200 hours
DL1H. 4.0	Gaits	DL1I.	<u>INSTRUCTION</u>
DL1H. 4.1	Know and demonstrate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) halt 2) walk free - walk and working walk 3) trot - working trot, strong trot 4) rein - back 5) lengthening and shortening of the walk and trot 	DL1I. 1.0	Horsemanship Preparation and Safety
DL1H. 4.2	Know and demonstrate light contact for all gaits	DL1I. 1.1	Instruct the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) haltering and leading 2) tying a quick release knot 3) grooming and harnessing 4) proper driving attire 5) putting to vehicle 6) proper spacing when driving in a group
DL1H. 4.3	Know and demonstrate straightness of the equine during all gaits	DL1I. 1.2	Orient participant to facility, stable rules, and safety rules
DL1H. 4.4	Know and demonstrate the following transitions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) halt to walk 2) walk to halt 3) walk to trot 4) trot to walk 5) trot to halt 	DL1I. 1.3	Select equine for individual driver according to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) behavior/obedience 2) temperament/reliability 3) height 4) size 5) age 6) experience (alone and in company)
DL1H. 5.0	Aids	DL1I. 1.4	Know and implement PATH Intl. Standards and their compliance regarding driving lesson area
DL1H. 5.1	Know and demonstrate the following natural aids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) hands 2) voice 	DL1I. 1.5	Orient participant to vehicle including proper entering and exiting procedures
DL1H. 5.2	Know and demonstrate appropriate use of the whip	DL1I. 1.6	Instruct how to put the equine to the vehicle
DL1H. 5.3	Know how to set up and use a rein board	DL1I. 1.7	Instruct a lesson with one turnout
DL1H. 6.0	Movements	DL1I. 2.0	Entering and exiting
DL1H. 6.1	Know half halt	DL1I. 2.1	Instruct the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) harness check prior to entering vehicle 2) vehicle check prior to entering 3) entering and exiting the vehicle 4) how to appropriately assist a participant with disabilities during entering and exiting the vehicle: independently, partially assisted, fully assisted
DL1H. 6.2	Know bending an equine through corners and on circles		
DL1H. 7.0	Ring Figures		
	Know and demonstrate the following ring figures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) reverses (half-circle and diagonal) 2) circles 3) figure eight 4) serpentine 		
DL1H. 8.0	Exercises and Games		
DL1H. 8.1	Know and demonstrate design and set up of obstacle course		

DL1I. 3.0	Position	DL1I. 9.0	Ground and Stable Lessons
DL1I. 3.1	Instruct correct rein holding	DL1I. 9.1	Instruct ground stable management lessons that are within the knowledge of the Driving Instructor Level 1 requirements
DL1I. 3.2	Instruct body position in the vehicle		
DL1I. 3.3	Instruct lengthening and shortening of reins		
DL1I. 3.4	Instruct proper position and use of the whip	DL1I. 9.2	Instruct participants on proper use of reins using a rein board
DL1I. 4.0	Gaits	DL1T.	<u>TEACHING METHODOLOGY</u>
DL1I. 4.1	Instruct:	DL1T. 1.0	PATH Intl. Standards and Information
	1) halt	DL1T. 1.1	Know and implement PATH Intl. Standards and their requirements regarding participant forms
	2) walk-free walk and working walk	DL1T. 1.2	Know PATH Intl. services available to the driving instructor
	3) trot-working, strong trot	DL1T. 1.3	Locate information about PATH Intl. Standards and Accreditation process
	4) rein-back	DL1T. 1.4	Know PATH Intl. Driving Instructor Level 1 certification program
DL1I. 4.2	Instruct light contact at all gaits	DL1T. 1.5	Know and practice emergency Procedures including:
DL1I. 4.3	Instruct straightness of the equine at all gaits		1) know and demonstrate an emergency dismount
DL1I. 4.4	Instruct the following transitions:		2) know how to respond to an incident
	1) halt to walk forms	DL1T. 1.6	Know the location of the phone and emergency numbers
	2) walk to trot	DL1T. 2.0	Record Keeping
	3) trot to walk	DL1T. 2.1	Verify that participant forms are complete and updated for participants the instructor teaches
	4) trot to halt	DL1T. 2.2	Interpret participant forms and apply the information to driving
	5) walk to trot	DL1T. 2.3	Write and maintain progress notes on participants
DL1I. 5.0	Aids	DL1T. 2.4	Complete incident report as needed
DL1I. 5.1	Instruct the following natural aids:	DL1T. 2.5	Comply with confidentiality requirements
	1) hands	DL1T. 3.0	Lesson Plans
	2) voice	DL1T. 3.1	Assess participant's skills and determine goals and objectives for each driver
DL1I. 5.2	Instruct the appropriate use of the whip	DL1T. 3.2	Develop a lesson plan that includes:
DL1I. 6.0	Movements		1) a driving skill
DL1I. 6.1	Instruct half-halt		2) a measurable objective related to the stated driving skill
DL1I. 6.2	Instruct bending of the equine through corners and on circles	DL1T. 3.3	Choose activities and skills suitable for the objective of the lesson
DL1I. 6.3	Instruct the rein-back		
DL1I. 7.0	Arena Figures		
DL1I. 7.1	Instruct the following arena figures:		
	1) reverse (half-circle and diagonals)		
	2) figure eight		
	3) circles		
DL1I. 8.0	Exercises and Games		
DL1I. 8.1	Instruct driving exercises at the walk and trot		
DL1I. 8.2	Instruct drivers through a cones course		
DL1I. 8.3	Instruct drivers through an obstacle course		
DL1I. 8.4	Utilize appropriate activities in the driving setting		

DL1T. 4.0	Teaching	DL1T. 5.0	Methods
DL1T. 4.1	<p>Know and demonstrate teaching skills, to include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) safe and effective procedure for entering and exiting 2) flexibility and adaptability in pursuit of stated teaching objectives 3) teach to level of driver's physical and cognitive ability 4) fair and consistent in applying standards of behavior 5) shows genuine interest in each participant's progress towards independence 6) effective use of volunteers 7) appropriate games and exercises 8) appropriate, specific praise 9) adapts and corrects equipment 10) provide what's, how's, why's 11) flexibility of teaching techniques 12) posture corrections 13) progression of driving skills 14) rapport 15) teaching environment 16) gives clear and concise instructions 17) control of class 18) ring presence 	DL1T. 5.1	Know the different learning styles
		DL1T. 5.2	Know and use simple behavior management techniques to maintain class control
		DL1T. 5.3	<p>Work with instructional team (instructors, therapists, able-bodied whip, volunteers, participants, families, and care providers) including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) develop rapport 2) provide direction to able-bodied whip, header and other volunteers during lesson 3) assign volunteers to turnouts 4) provide feedback to team members
		DL1T. 5.4	Identify dysfunctional behavior
		DL1D. 1.0	<u>DISABILITIES</u>
		DL1D. 1.0	Human Anatomy
		DL1D. 1.1	<p>Identify part of the human skeleton including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) clavicle 2) humerus 3) tibia 4) cranium 5) pelvis 6) ulna 7) femur 8) radius 9) vertebrae 10) fibula 11) scapula
		DL1D. 1.2	<p>Know the terminology related to movement and posture:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) abduction 2) extension 3) rotation 4) adduction 5) flexion
		DL1D. 2.0	Disabilities
		DL1D. 2.1	Know definition, causes, characteristics and teaching management for participants' disabilities that the instructor teaches
		DL1D. 2.2	Locate information pertaining to disabilities
		DL1D. 2.3	Self-evaluate instructional capabilities, facility environment, equine, vehicle, and personnel to determine participants that can be accepted as drivers
DL1T. 4.3	Meet annual continuing education and certification renewal requirements	DL1D. 2.4	Know the impact of the movement of the vehicle on the driver's body
DL1T. 4.2	<p>Possess instructor attributes, to include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) common sense 2) professionalism 3) ethical 4) punctual 5) organized 6) respect for participants and equines 7) patience 8) self confidence 9) positive attitude 10) team player 11) knowledge of subjects at Driving Instructor Level I requirements 		

- DL1D. 2.5 Know the benefits of driving
- DL1D. 2.6 Know and demonstrate handling techniques for entering and exiting the vehicle, postural alignment
- DL1D. 2.7 Know and demonstrate good body mechanics during entering and exiting the vehicle

