

Up the Levels Clinic - Application Form

Dressage BC | July 4-5, 2026

High Point Equestrian Center, Langley, BC

The Clinician

Dressage BC is pleased to welcome **Omar Zayrik**, FEI *** Judge, for this year's Up the Levels Clinic. This clinic offers a unique opportunity for BC riders to receive feedback from a judge operating at the highest international levels of our sport.

About the Program

The Up the Levels Clinic supports dedicated Dressage BC members who are ready to progress to the next level of competition. We prioritize applications from amateur riders and focus on excellence, integrity, and the correct development of both horse and rider.

Selection is based on:

- Demonstrated readiness for the level.
- Clear goal-setting.
- A commitment to engaging with constructive, professional feedback.

Participation Options

Rider Pricing	Auditor Pricing
Two lessons with Omar (Sat/Sun) - \$550	DBC Members: \$50 per day / \$80 for both days
One lesson with Omar (Sat OR Sun) - \$300	Non-Members: \$65 per day / \$110 for both days

How To Apply and Payment Instructions

Application Deadline: May 31, 2026

Please download and complete this form and email it to dressagebc@gmail.com. In the body of your email, you must include a link to your application video (YouTube or Vimeo preferred).

We will notify selected applicants on or before NOON on June 5th, 2026.

If selected, applicants must pay the appropriate fee on or before 5 PM on June 5th, 2026 via e-transfer to dressagebc@gmail.com.

All applicants must provide a video (link to YouTube, Vimeo, or a cloud drive) that demonstrates their current readiness.

Option A: The Highest Test

A video of a recent, complete performance of the **highest test** of your declared level. Examples include:

Training through Fourth Level: Test 3

FEI Young Horses: Competition for 4-year old horses; Final Competition for 5-, 6-, and 7-year old horses

FEI U25, Young Riders, Juniors, Pony Riders, and Children: Individual Competition

Small Tour: FEI Intermediate I

Medium Tour: FEI Intermediate II

Big Tour: FEI Grand Prix Special

Option B: The Schooling Video

A schooling video (max six (6) minutes, following the technical guidelines) demonstrating the following key movements for your level.

Videos that do not fulfill the following criteria will not be considered. Please review carefully.

Technical Guidelines for Video:

Perspective: Filmed from the letter C (the judge's perspective).

Visibility: The horse and rider must occupy a significant portion of the frame; videographer must zoom in when appropriate.

Audio: Keep original audio.

Continuity: Unedited, continuous footage is required. Please do **not** submit “highlight reels” or edited montages.

Level	Required Movements to Demonstrate
Training	20m circles (trot/canter); stretch circle in trot; change of bend on a shallow loop; canter-trot transition on the diagonal
First	10m circle at trot; 15m circle at canter; lengthening of stride in trot and canter; leg yield; change of lead through trot; counter canter.
Second	Walk-canter transitions; collected and medium trot and canter; 10m circle at canter; shoulder-in; rein back;

	travers; half turn on haunches; simple changes; counter canter in serpentine.
Third	Extended gaits; half pass at trot and canter; single flying change of leg; renvers; release of reins at canter; rein back to trot.
Fourth	Collected walk; very collected canter; walk pirouettes; tempi changes every third stride; counter change of hand in trot and canter; working half pirouettes in canter.
FEI Small Tour (Prix St. Georges/Intermediate I)	8 m volte in trot; 3 half-passes 5 m to either side of centre line with flying change of leg at each change of direction (canter zig-zag); extended canter to collected canter and flying change of leg; five

	(5) tempi changes every third stride; seven (7) tempi changes every second stride; canter pirouettes.
FEI Medium Tour (Intermediate A/B/Intermediate II)	3 half-passes 5 m to either side of the centre line (trot zig-zag); passage; passage transitions (walk, trot, piaffe); piaffe 8-10 steps (1 m forward permitted); piaffe-passage transitions; seven (7) tempi changes every second stride; 11 tempi changes every stride.
FEI Big Tour (Grand Prix/GP Special)	Passage transitions (extended trot, extended walk, collected canter); piaffe 12-15 steps; piaffe transitions (collected walk); nine (9) tempi changes every second stride; 15 tempi changes every stride.
U25 Grand Prix	4 half-passes 5 m to

	<p>either side of the centre line (trot zig-zag); half volte in passage 10 m; piaffe 8-10 steps; passage transitions (extended walk); nine (9) tempi changes every second stride; 15 tempi changes every stride.</p>
<p>Young Riders (Preliminary/Team/ Individual)</p>	<p>8 m volte in trot; five (5) tempi changes every fourth stride; five (5) tempi changes every third stride; half pirouette; extended canter to collected canter and flying change of leg.</p>
<p>Juniors (Preliminary/Team/ Individual)</p>	<p>10 m half volte in trot; 10 m half circle stretch on a long rein in trot; shoulder in; walk pirouettes; 10 m half volte in canter to simple change of leg; single flying change of leg.</p>
<p>Pony Riders (Preliminary/Team/</p>	<p>8 m volte in trot and canter; shoulder-in; half</p>

Individual)	pass in trot; half pirouette in walk; two loop serpentine with first loop in true canter and second loop in counter canter with simple change at X.
Children (Preliminary A/ Preliminary B/ Team/ Individual)	Shoulder-in; 10 m half volte in trot and canter; turn on haunches; two loop serpentine with first loop in true canter and second loop in counter canter with simple change at X; 20 m circle stretch on a long rein in trot.
Competition for 4-year old horses	Serpentine two loops in trot; medium walk; lengthening of steps in trot and canter; stretch on a long rein in walk and trot; 20 m half circle in trot - sitting; trot-halt transitions.
Competition for 5-year old horses (Preliminary, Final)	Serpentine three loops in trot; medium trot and canter; turn on haunches

	<p>through walk; collected trot and canter; 10 m circle in collected trot; walk-canter transitions; 10 m half circle in collected canter; counter canter; simple change of leg; 20 m half circle in sitting trot allowing gradual stretch on a long rein.</p>
<p>Competition for 6-year old horses (Preliminary, Final)</p>	<p>Shoulder-in; half-pass in trot; extended walk, trot, and canter; half pirouette in walk; single flying change of leg.</p>
<p>Competition for 7-year old horses (Preliminary, Final)</p>	<p>Canter-halt transitions; 10 m half volte in trot; half pass in canter; extended canter to collected canter and flying change of leg; half pirouette in canter (radius of approx. 1-3m allowed); 20 m half circle in canter with give and retake of reins for three (3) strides; three (3) tempi changes</p>

	every fourth stride; three (3) tempi changes every 3rd stride.
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- I confirm that I am a current member in good standing of Dressage BC

Rider's Full Name

I am (choose one): an amateur* a professional

** Meaning you meet Equestrian Canada's criteria for Amateur Status, or, if not a member of Equestrian Canada, meaning you would meet that criteria.*

I'm applying for (choose one): two lessons one lesson SATURDAY
 one lesson SUNDAY

Horse Council BC Number

Rider's Date of Birth

Rider's Mailing Address

Rider's Email Address

Rider's Phone Number

Horse's Name (Registered and "Barn Name" if different)

Horse's Age

Competition Level (this is the level you will ride in the Clinic, if your application is selected)

- EC Training Level **or** FEI Competition for 4-year old horses
- EC First Level **or** FEI Pony Riders
- EC Second Level **or** FEI Competition for 5-year old horses **or**
- EC Third Level **or** FEI Competition for 6-year old horses **or** FEI Junior
- EC Fourth Level **or** FEI Young Rider
- FEI Small Tour **or** FEI Competition for 7-year old horses
- FEI Medium Tour
- FEI Big Tour

Link to video (YouTube, Vimeo, or cloud storage)

- I confirm that this video accurately represents me and my horse at this level.

Rider Goal Statement

Your goal statement helps us understand your goals, areas of focus, and how you plan to use this clinic

opportunity to support your development and your partnership with your horse.

Please describe your goals and what you hope to gain from participating in this clinic.

- What skills or areas are you actively developing?
- How will this clinic support your progression?
- At the conclusion of this clinic, what would success look like for you?

additional space provided below

Confirmation

- Accuracy of information.** I certify that all information provided in this application, including my riding level and the content of the submitted video, is true and complete. I understand that any misrepresentation may lead to immediate disqualification from the program without a refund.
- Eligibility.** I confirm that I am a member in good standing of Dressage BC through my membership in the Horse Council of British Columbia.
- Selection discretion.** I acknowledge that the Up the Levels selection process is competitive and that submission of this application does not guarantee a riding spot. I understand that the Selection Committee reviews applications based on various factors,

including readiness, goal alignment, and the balance of the clinic. All selection decisions made by Dressage BC are final and are not subject to appeal.

- Payment and refunds.** I understand that if I'm selected to ride in this clinic, the Rider Package fee (\$550 for two lessons or \$300 for one lesson) must be paid by 5 PM on June 5th, 2026 in order to secure my spot.
 - Withdrawal with veterinary note: if my horse becomes unfit to compete between the date of selection and the clinic, I understand a refund will be issued only upon providing Dressage BC with a signed certificate from a licensed veterinarian confirming the horse's lameness or illness.
 - Withdrawal without veterinary note: in the absence of a veterinary certificate, I understand a refund is contingent upon Dressage BC's ability to fill my spot. If the spot remains unfilled, I understand I must forfeit the full fee.
- Media release.** I understand that if I'm selected to ride in this clinic, I grant Dressage BC permission to

use photographs or video footage of my participation in the clinic for promotional and educational purposes.

- Liability waivers.** I acknowledge that I will sign High Point Equestrian Center's and Dressage BC's respective liability waivers on or before July 3rd, 2026.

Additional space is provided below for the Rider Statement, if required.