

Freizeitreiter und -fahrer

Vereinigung der Freizeitreiter und -fahrer in Deutschland e. V.

Training in the VFD

For almost 30 years the VFD pass for riders has imparted basic knowledge to beginners. The training has been expanded continuously and was suited to the needs of horse trekkers, leisure riders and trail riders as well as drivers. For them a profound understanding of horses and a getting along in harmony as partners is much more important than success in sport competitions. The VFD has carefully worked out training and examination regulations for riding and driving, which now form the basis of all equestrian education. Every basic training puts the main focus on the safe and considerate riding and driving in nature. Additionally one can choose further education in many subject areas.

VFD – good riding and driving

Starting levels	horse keeping horsemanship	horse keeping horsemanship
	basic riding course riding exam I-III junior riding examination I-II	basic driving course instruction for grooms junior driving examination
Basic levels	cross country rider - riding pass horse trek rider	cross country driving pass I horse trek driving pass II
Advanced levels	cross country riding guide horse trek riding guide	carriage driving guide pass III additional level farmwork driving driving teamsters forest work with horses commercial driving
Teaching levels	instructor for basic riding course instructor for horse trekking course	instructor for basic driving course
Expert qualification for instructors	i.e. vaulting western riding endurance riding training for dogs as riding companions	i.e. farm work driving commercial driving teamster driving training of carriage horses
Additional levels	horse training	horse training
Special levels	VFD- examiner riding	VFD- examiner carriage driving
	VFD- riding instructor	VFD- driving instructor
	training for dogs as riders' companions junior vaulting I-III	

Courses and dates you can find out at your VFD state association and on our website
www.vfdnet.de

**The German Experts' Union for
Horse Trekking, Trail Riding and Driving**