

SECTION 5: Medal Examinations

The American Vaulting Association offers recognition to individuals who can pass examinations demonstrating competence up to a set standard at eight different levels:

A. Novice Award

An award available to all AVA members, including Affiliated Members, in which the six compulsories are performed at the trot or canter to the left and demonstrate safe and correct mechanics. Each exercise must receive a score of at least 3.

B. Trot Medal

An award available to all AVA members in which the six compulsory exercises are performed at the trot to the left or right. Each exercise must receive a score of at least five (5) by demonstrating correct mechanics and basic good form, with the exception of scissors and flank. The minimum score for scissors and flank is 4.5.

C. Bronze Medal

An award available to all AVA members in which the six compulsory exercises are performed at the canter and any 4 kür exercises having an assigned Degree of Difficulty II or III (no Degree of Difficulty Is are allowed) each exercise must receive a score of at least five (5).

D. Silver Medal

An award available to all AVA members in which each compulsory exercise and each of six (6) Kür exercises, having an assigned Degree of Difficulty I or II, are performed at the canter to the left and must receive a total score of at 65%, with no exercise receiving less than a 6.0, by demonstrating correct mechanics, good form and a degree of elevation.

E. Gold Medal

An award available to all AVA members in which each compulsory exercise must receive a total score of 80% with no exercise scoring less than 7.5 and and eight (8) kür exercises, having an assigned Degree of Difficulty I, must receive a score of at least 7.5, by demonstrating correct mechanics, polished form and good elevation. To be performed at the canter to the left.

F. Bronze, Silver and Gold Medals to the Right

Bronze, Silver and Gold Medals may be obtained cantering to the right by meeting the same requirements at each level to the left.

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