Stallion: Nova Scotia VDL UELN: 528003201805391 Inspectors: Loeffen, Reed, Versteeg, Wood

Owner: Casey O'Connor Birth Year: 2018 Colour: Brown Size: 169 cm Breeder: VDL Stud

			STAGE 1			STAGE 3 PERFORMANCE TEST		
1	Very Bad	(a)	Type:	7.5	(a)	Walk:	7.5	
2	Bad	(b)	Top-Line:	7.5	(b)	Trot:	6.5	
3	Fairly Bad	(c)	Forelegs:	7.0	(c)	Canter (2x): 7.5 x 2	15.0	
4	Clearly Insufficient	(d)	Hindlegs:	7.0	(d)	Elasticity:	6.5	
5	Insufficient	(e)	Feet:	7.0	(e)	Balance:	7.0	
6	Sufficient				(f)	Rideability:	6.0	
7	More Than Sufficient				(g)	Reflexes (2x): 8.0 x 2	16.0	
8	Good				(h)	Technique (2x): 7.5 x 2	15.0	
9	Very Good				(i)	Scope:	8.0	
10	Excellent				(j)	Interior:*	8.0	
-	Not executed				(k)	Talent as a Jumping Horse:	7.5	

STAGE 2

DNA-OC BV: 97 WFFS1: N/N CLINICAL: \*GOOD RADIOGRAPHS: \*GOOD AIRWAY: \*EXCELLENT CEM/EVA/EIA: NEGATIVE

Predicates: D-OC, D-WFFS1, E+

Stable Behavior: Good stable behaviour. No stable vices observed.

Behavior with Humans: Good behaviour with humans.

Additional Observations by the Inspectors: This is a well-developed, sufficiently rectangular stallion. His neck is a little long and vertical. The foreleg is a little back at the knee; the hindleg is a little straight. His feet are a bit wide and the hind heels are a bit low. The stallion was ridden indoors in a snaffle, and outdoors in a Pelham bit. The walk and trot are of sufficient quality. His trot is a little less elastic than his canter, and in general he should exhibit more elasticity. The canter has impulsion and a good length of stride. He sometimes canters on the forehand. He moves and jumps enthusiastically. He listens well to the rider when approaching the fence, but often canters too quickly after landing. When the distances are close, he has quick reflexes. His technique is often good, but at times it is inconsistent. He is careful with good scope. His rideability needs sustained training and time to sufficiently develop to achieve his potential in sport. His pedigree and damline are excellent, and for this reason the Committee is giving him a chance to improve his rideability. The damline has an impressive list of close relations in FEI showiumping: The stallion's dam is a 1.45 m. jumper, and she has three siblings that are 1.60 m. jumpers including the KWPN Approved Stallions Bacardi VDL and Apardi, plus four siblings that are 1.40 – 1.45 m. CSI jumpers. He is a well-muscled stallion with a powerful body, and he may best suit a modern warmblood mare with jumping genetics, or a mare with a thoroughbred ancestor in her 3-generation pedigree. The mare should have blood in her body and athletic expression, but not so much in her mind, with good elasticity and very good rideability. If he is used for eventing breeding, we believe he will best suit a thoroughbred mare with good elasticity and very good rideability. The stallion is expected to contribute a functional canter with scope, quick reflexes, jumping traits, and a willingness to work to both showiumping and eventing progeny.

\*Interior: character/temperament + willingness to work, equally weighted

**Decision: APPROVED** 





\*Excellent, Good, or Acceptable

Date: 19/10/2023

