

# A Natural Approach to Horse Training Official Liberty Audition Details

The Parelli Auditions are a short, fun way to demonstrate your overall savvy, skills, and relationship with your horse. Auditions involve using the Seven Games to perform a few required compulsory tasks and are designed to allow you some free flow to use your imagination to show us what you can do with your horse. The dedicated Level 4 student would be accomplished in utilizing all Seven Games in all Four Savvys with ease.

There is no judgement in auditions, it is merely a way to measure where you are in time and space on your horsemanship journey.

Auditioning is one of the ways to earn an official horsemanship level in the Parelli program. When all Savvys are passed at a certain Level, you are then awarded a special colored Savvy String, much like the black-belt system in martial arts:

Level 1: On Line = Red Savvy String Level 2: On Line + FreeStyle = Blue Savvy String Level 3: On Line + FreeStyle + Liberty = Green Savvy String Level 4: On Line + FreeStyle + Liberty + Finesse = Black Savvy String

### How to Complete an Audition:

- 1. Complete the Self-Assessment Checklist for the appropriate Level and Savvy.
- 2. Film your Audition with all required compulsory tasks included. Compulsory tasks are listed at the bottom of the appropriate scorecard. (Remember, your video must be 10 minutes or less and presented without edits as if you were auditioning "live.")
- 3. Purchase your Audition in the shop: click the link below or copy and paste the link into your browser <a href="https://shopus.parelli.com/products/official-audition-fee">https://shopus.parelli.com/products/official-audition-fee</a>
- 4. Log in to the Savvy Club website https://members.parelli.com/ and click on the "My Auditions" tab on the left-hand side of your screen. If an audition has not been purchased, this tab is not visible. NOTE: It may take up to 24 hours for your audition to appear in your My Auditions tab in the Savvy Club.
- 5. Fill out the submission form and select the desired Savvy and Level:

(Only one Savvy and Level can be submitted per application.)

a. **Savvy**- On Line, FreeStyle, Liberty, or Finesse.

b. Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, or Level 4.

- 6. Include a link for your Audition video. YouTube.com is preferred.
  - a. Please be sure to use royalty free music or no music and do not post to a private channel.
  - b. Please title the video with: "(YourFirstName) and (YourHorse'sName) (Level) (Savvy) Parelli Audition."
  - c. DVD's can be submitted via mail but may increase the response time.
- 7. Include a link for your Audition video. YouTube.com is preferred.

## **Questions:**

Email: Auditions@Parelli.com

#### Who assesses your audition?:

Auditions received are assessed by Lauren Barwick under the direction of Pat Parelli.

#### If not using a YouTube Link, mail your DVD to:

Parelli Natural Horsemanship Attn: Auditions PO Box 3729 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 USA

#### When Your Audition has been Assessed:

Once your Audition has been assessed, you will be contacted by email and an electronic certificate will be sent to you upon passing the appropriate Level. If you have passed the number of Savvys required to complete a certain level (i.e. Online AND Liberty for Level 2) you will receive a colored Savvy String, along with a printed certificate and pin for that Level.

Please remember that you can download your own certificate for successful Self-Assessments from the Savvy Club website: www.parellisavvyclub.com.

I look forward to helping you be successful on this wonderful journey in horsemanship. Have Fun and Keep it Natural and...may the horse be with you! -Pat Parelli

### **Recommended Success Tips!**

#### Want to receive accurate and speedy results? Follow these success tips!

- Use a tripod for camera stability (or at least a fence post)!
- Ask a friend to operate your camera.
- Use the camera's zoom to film at the appropriate distance. (If we can't see you, we can't assess you!)
- For OnLine and Liberty Auditions, show both the horse and the human in the picture.
- If adding music to your video is a challenge, you may omit it. Lack of music will not affect your assessment.
- Complete ALL of the required compulsory tasks for the Level and Savvy you are auditioning for.
- Compulsory tasks can be completed in any order.
- Show us what you can do, not what you can't do.
- Use a saddle or bareback pad for FreeStyle and use a saddle for Finesse.
- Send a click-able youtube.com link (if applicable, copy and paste into your email).
- If uploading to youtube.com, mark your video as "public" or "unlisted." If your video is marked as "private," we will not be able to view it.
- If sending multiple Savvys on a DVD, you may burn them all to the same DVD and mail them in the same package. Please include one application for each Savvy submitted through the Savvy Club site.
- Plan your Audition and practice before filming so that your video stays under 10 minutes.
- Present your Audition without edits as if you were performing it "live."
- If needed, coaching is available from Licensed Parelli Professionals. Please click here <a href="http://professionals.parelli.com/professionals/">http://professionals.parelli.com/professionals/</a> to locate one to help you.
- For the fastest turnaround time, upload your video to youtube.com and submit your application through the Savvy Club site.
- If you are auditioning to qualify for a course (Externship, etc.), please make a note of what course you are applying for in an email or on your application.

If you have any questions about completing your audition, including questions about specific tasks on the Self-Assessment Checklist, please contact the Audition Department at <u>Auditions@Parelli.com</u> or call us at 1-800-642-3335 or 970-731-9400.





	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4			
Area	Small pen, stall.	50 – 60' round corral.	Any size corral / arena.	Open Areas and round corrals.			
Lines	12-foot Line with slack in it.	No line.	No line.	No line.			
Tools	Carrot Stick, Savvy String.	Carrot Stick, Savvy String.	Carrot Stick, Savvy String, Flag (Carrot Stick with plastic bag).	Carrot Stick, Savvy String, Flag, Telescopic Flag.			
<b>Zones</b> Appropriate use of zones for directing and supporting aids; progressively advancing to more sensitive zones.	Zones 1 & 2.	Zone 3.	Zones 4 & 5.	All Zones.			
<ol> <li>Phases</li> <li>Minimum, subtle.</li> <li>Soft but more pronounced.</li> <li>Firmer.</li> <li>Firmest/Effective.</li> <li>Timing: Long phase 1; Hands that close slowly and open quickly.</li> </ol>	Phase 1 – 4 as needed. Moves feet as needed. Calm horse. PROMISE.	Phase 1 – 3. Long phase 1, quick 2, 3. Phase 4 should rarely be necessary. Use of expression, body language. Can stay in personal circle most of the time. Confident horse, no fear, no defensiveness. TELL.	Phase 1 – 2. Subtle communication and direction. Can stay in personal circle all the time. Attentive, responsive horse, positive expression. ASK.	Phase 1 – 2. Elegant, subtle communication and direction. Expressive horse. SUGGEST.			

Liberty PATTERNS	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4
Circles				
Figure-8				
Weave				
Push a Ball				
Obstacles				

Liberty SKILLS SEVEN GAMES			LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4			
Friendly	Horse faces up, stands still to be approached in stall or paddock.	<ul> <li>Horse faces up and approaches you in stall or paddock.</li> <li>Friendly with stick and ropes.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Horse comes to you willingly.</li> <li>Stand on tarp, pedestal.</li> <li>Extreme Zone 1, 2 and 3.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Horse comes positively to you at trot or canter.</li> <li>Extreme Zone 4 and 5.</li> </ul>			
Porcupine	Not required.	<ul> <li>Lead with your hands on neck / jaw.</li> <li>Move front end over.</li> <li>Back horse away.</li> <li>Lower head.</li> <li>Lift tail.</li> <li>Pick up feet.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Lead backwards by tail.</li> <li>Lead backwards by hind leg.</li> <li>Lead by ear, chin.</li> <li>Move hindquarters.</li> </ul>	Lead backwards by tail, make turns.			
Driving	Not required.	<ul> <li>Drive backwards 12 feet.</li> <li>Drive front end.</li> <li>Stick to Me at walk and trot.</li> <li>Drive hindqaurters.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Draw at walk.</li> <li>Stick to Me at canter.</li> <li>Stick to Me Transitions: walk, trot, canter, halt and back up.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Exuberant draw.</li> <li>Draw backwards from Zone 5.</li> <li>Close range 360°s.</li> </ul>			
YoYo	Not required.	Transitions: walk, trot.	Transitions: halt, walk, trot, canter and back up.	<ul> <li>Transitions: halt to canter</li> <li>Transitions: walk to canter.</li> </ul>			
Circling	Not required.	<ul> <li>4 – 6 laps.</li> <li>Walk and trot.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>6 - 10 laps.</li> <li>Walk, trot and canter.</li> <li>Change of direction at canter with simple change (left and right).</li> <li>3 laps with a barrel obstacle.</li> <li>Single spin.</li> <li>Change of direction at trot.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>10 - 20 laps.</li> <li>Change of direction at canter with flying change (left and right).</li> <li>Single spin slow.</li> <li>Circle close, walk or trot.</li> <li>Change of direction at walk.</li> <li>Backwards half a lap.</li> </ul>			
Sideways	Not required.	Not required.	<ul><li>Slow.</li><li>Sideways over barrel or log.</li></ul>	<ul><li>Sideways towards.</li><li>Sideways from Zone 1.</li></ul>			
Squeeze	Not required.	3-foot gap.	Squeeze over barrel.	<ul> <li>Trailer load at walk or trot.</li> <li>Stop half way over barrel jump and Sideways towards.</li> </ul>			
Seven Games at Liberty	Not required.	Not required.	All Seven Games at Liberty. Change of direction optional, Extreme Friendly Game.	Games 4, 5, 6 and 7 with obstacles.			



#### RESULT

# LIBERTY

Parelli member #:

Horsenality:

Date:

Name: Horse:

Age:

	PRE - L3	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 3+	LEVEL 3++	LEVEL 4	LEVEL 4+	LEVEL 4++
RELATIONSHIP							
Expression							1
Rapport							
Respect							
Impulsion							
Flexion							
Drive							
Draw							
Technical						]	
Technique							
Assertiveness						]	
SAVVY							
Friendly							
Porcupine						<u> </u>	
Driving						<u> </u>	
Yo-Yo							
Circling							
Sideways							
Squeeze							
SKILLS							
Overall Feel							

	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4	COMMENTS / SU
EQUIPMENT	50ft - 60ft Round Corral	Round Pen & Large fenced area (min 150ftx150ft)	
OBSTACLES	2 Barrels	2+ Barrels	
	Pedestal	Trailer	
TASKS	Lead with your hands	Draw at Trot or Canter	
	Transitions	Lead by tail	
		Elying change	
GAITS	Walk	Walk	
	Trot	Trot	
		Canter	
		Back Up	
PATTERNS	Circling Pattern at trot (left & right) with	Circling Pattern at canter (left & right) with	
	transitions & change of direction	transitions & change of direction	
	Figure 8 at walk	Figure 8 at trot or canter	
N A ROUND PE	EN SHOW:	All Seven Games in sequential order	
	ICED ARENA SHOW:	Stick to me in both eyes	
		Trailer Loading	ASSESSED BY -
		Jump	Name:

#### / SUGGESTIONS

#### Signature:

# **Audition Scorecard Descriptions**

	OVERALL	LEVEL 1			LEVEL	_ 2	LEVEL 3			LEVEL 4			
	DESCRIPTION	1	1+	1++	2	2+	2++	3	3+	3++	4	4+ 4++	
RELATIONSHIP	Putting the Relationship First	Safety			Fun	Fun			Excellent			mentals of mance	
EXPRESSION	Positive, connected, focused	Obedie 50% of		Attentive		Responsive, Attentive & Connected			Willing, Focused, Attentive&Connected			ve, Focused, ive&Connected	
RAPPORT	Appropriate strategies for Horsenality	Horse	is Calm	ו		Horse is Calm and Trusting			Horse is Calm, Trusting and Motivated			is Calm, ng, Motivated 'illing	
RESPECT	Yes vs. No Speed of Response and quality	Horse reques		nds to nase 3-4	Respo 2-3	Responsive at Phase 2-3			Focused & Responsive at Phase 1-2			nunication is and Refined is ready! 1-2	
IMPULSION	Controlled forward energy Go=Whoa Relaxed & Responsive in forward energy	Demoi (Phase		edin:Walk		Demonstrated in: Walk, Trot (Phase 1-3)			Demonstrated in: Walk, Trot, Canter, Back-up (Phase 1-2)			nstrated in: rds, Backwards, Left all equal e 1-2)	
FLEXION	The shape of the body for the level and the task – Later- ally, Longitudinally & Vertically	Does the task in any shape			Laterally flexed 25% of time			Flexed Latitudinally & Longitudinally 60% of time			Flexed Latitudinal, Longitudinal, & Vertically 95% of time		
DRIVE	Quality of response to rhythmic pressure	Respor	nds by	Phase 4	Responds by Phase 3			Responds by Phase 2			Respo	Responds at Phase 1	
DRAW	Desire to come back	Respor	nds by	Phase 4	Responds by Phase 3			Responds by Phase 2			Responds at Phase 1 Wants to be there		
TECHNICAL	Correctness of technique. Hand, leg, rein positions, etc.	Techni 50+% (		orrect is time		Technique correct is 70+% of the time			Technique correct is 80+% of the time			ique correct is of the time	
TECHNIQUE	Appropriate technique for the level of task tried Expertise	Novice	2		Confic	lent		Comp More	etent gracefu	I	Refine	d, Graceful	
ASSERTIVENESS	"Somewhere between aggressive and being a wimp." Effective, just & kind Attitude of "It's a game"	3 seconds between phases			Long Phase 1, quick 2, 3, 4			Game of Response			Intention visible		
OBEDIENCE	Positive Reflex vs. Opposition Reflex	50% of	f the ti	me	70% of the time			80% of the time			90% of the time		
EXUBERENCE	Level of try & effort put into a positive response	0 - Min	imal		Minimal - Moderate			Moderate			High		

	OVERALL	LEVEL 1			LEVEL 2		LEVEL 3			LEVEL 4				
	DESCRIPTION	1	1+	1++	2	2+	2++	3	3+	3++	4	4+	4++	
SAVVY	Knowing it by heart													
FRIENDLY	Confidence, Trust, Relaxation & Calmness													
PORCUPINE	Appropriate response to steady pressure		Please see self assessment criteria for suggested level of											
DRIVING	Appropriate response rhythmic pressure						essment o /y in the 7			jested lev	elot			
ΥΟ ΥΟ	Equal 'north and south' Straightness													
CIRCLING	A test of responsibil- ity (vs. micromanage- ment)													
SIDEWAYS	Lateral mobility													
SQUEEZE	Over/Under/Through													

	OVERALL		LEVEL 1			LEVEL 2			LEVEL 3			LEVEL 4		
	DESCRIPTION	1	1+	1++	2	2+	2++	3	3+	3++	4	4+	4++	
OVERALL FEEL	Quality on degree of Feel "Of-For-Together"	Safe			Confic	ent		Skilled	l		Expert			
ROPE HANDLING SKILLS	Smoothness & Organization Hands that close slowly and open quickly		ve, Som anized	netimes	Adequate			Competent			Excellent			

	OVERALL	LEVEL 1				LEVEL	. 2		LEVEL	3	LEVEL 4			
	DESCRIPTION	1	1+	1++	2	2+	2++	3	3+	3++	4	4+	4++	
FLUIDITY	Moving in unison with the horse & the horse with them Natural riders look like they are a part of the horse	0 - Minimum			Visible Minimum - Moderate			Sometimes Visible Moderate			Invisible High			
FOCUS	Looking where you want to go Clear leadership plan Plan, Eyes, Belly Button, Leg, Rein	N/A			60% of time			80% of time with eyes, belly button and legs			100% of time with eyes, belly button and legs			
FEEL	Feel of, Feel for, Feel together	N/A			Uses clear phases and releases after appro- priate response			Subtle communica- tion and direction			Elegant, subtle communication and direction			
TIMING	Not too early not too late	Rewar Action		Physical	Rewar Emoti		hysical&	Rewards the Physical, Emotional & Mental				Rewards the Thought (Mental)		
BALANCE	Centered	N/A			Walk - Trot			Trot – Canter Transitions Walk, Trot, Canter			Canter - Gallop Jumps, Laterals, Transitions Walk, Trot, Canter, Gallop			