



PATH
INTERNATIONAL

PATH INTL. CERTIFIED THERAPEUTIC RIDING INSTRUCTOR™ CERTIFICATION

CTRI™ APPLICANT PREP CHECKLIST

- 18 years of age or older
- Current adult and child CPR and first-aid certifications
- Passing score on PATH Intl. Standards Exam (less than one year old)
- Submit accommodation request (if applicable)

Only complete applications will be accepted. Applications must be submitted no less than 90 days prior to the applicant's intended testing date for the computer-based certification exam.

PART I: EQUINE HANDLING SKILLS

- Option A: 30 hours of paid or volunteer time during which the applicant is engaged in equine handling under the supervision of a PATH Intl. Certified Professional
- OR
- Option B: Within the last 10 years, experience and participation as an active member of a recognized equestrian organization, during which the applicant directly handled equines

PART II: EQUINE MANAGEMENT SKILLS

- Option A: Complete the PATH Intl. Equine Management and Handling Skills Checklist with a PATH Intl. Certified Professional
- OR
- Option B: Documentation of an equine management and handling course of study or certification from an equine organization or institution of higher learning that covers all topics on the PATH Intl. Equine Management and Handling Skills Checklist

PART III: RIDING INSTRUCTION AND COMMUNICATION OF RIDING SKILLS

- Video: 10-20 minute demonstration of applicant's ability to instruct a rider of their choosing through a set riding pattern

PART IV: EXPERIENCE WORKING WITH INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

- Option A: 25 hours of volunteer experience working with people with disabilities, to whom the applicant is not related, in therapeutic riding lessons as a leader, sidewalker and/or instructor's aide
- OR
- Option B: 25 hours working in an environment interacting with individuals with special needs (cognitive, behavioral and/or physical), outside of a therapeutic riding setting, to whom the applicant is not related.

PART V: SUPERVISED INSTRUCTION OF THERAPEUTIC RIDING LESSONS

- 25 hours instructing mounted therapeutic riding lessons supervised by a PATH Intl. CTRI, including:
 - 13 or more hours teaching therapeutic riding to groups of two or more riders
 - 12 or fewer hours teaching individual/private therapeutic riding lessons
 - 3 or more hours teaching therapeutic riding to groups of riders with three volunteers per rider