

2021 GAMES RULEBOOK

The 2021 rulebook is now available online and through Shop Pony Club. Minor edits (shown in red font) were made since 2020, and replacement pages are available on the rulebooks page of the website. The key changes are listed below:

- *Article 6* – Changes made to the Member in Good Standing Policy.
- *Article 21 & 57* – Rally discipline ground juries now have the ability to assign a Yellow (Warning) Card and potential penalties to competitors who commit disqualifiable offenses. This allows it to become a teachable moment for competitors instead of expulsion from the competition.
- *Article 27 & Appendix III* – Chaperones and Emergency Contact information was updated.
- *Article 34* – Competitor Attire wording received some clarifications and minor corrections.
- *Article 58* – Team Scoring received some corrections and clarifications.
- *Appendix VI* – The Coaching Form received updates.

Rulebook Correction

Article 31, last paragraph, the following paragraph should be stricken as it was removed by the Board in October.

- A region which sends its regional team to another region (visiting team) to compete must have its team finish in the top four, and outscore at least one other team, to become eligible for Championships. In this instance, the visiting region's team, having fulfilled these criteria, will be considered the first-place team for their region and thus will be eligible for Championships.

USPC GAMES CHAMPIONSHIPS

USPC is pleased to host Festival Games Championships 2021 at the Kentucky Horse Park, July 19-23. Cross-entering not permitted. Please remember there is a new registration process which requires the member to register themselves. More details about the competition and registration process will be included in the Guidebook to Championships and posted on the Championships Competition Information page of the USPC website.

POSSIBLE GAMES TO BE PLAYED AT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Any of the following may be included in the standard and modified Championships competition.

Ball and Bucket, Ball and Cone, Balloon, Bending, Bottle, Canadian, Carton, Egg and Racquet, Fishing, Five Cone (Team)/ Three Cone (Pair), Five Flag (Team)/ Three Flag (Pair), Five Mug (Team), Golf Ball and Spoon, Hi-Lo, Housewife's Scurry, Hula-Hoop, Litter, Mug Shuffle, Needle and Thread, Nine Ring, Old-Sock, Pony Club, Pony Express, Postman's Chase, Potato, Pyramid, Quoits and Cones, Ring, Rope, Rubber Ducky, Spillers Pole/Pony Club Pole, Stepping-Stone, Stick Pegging, Sword, Tack Shop, Three-Mug, Tool Box, Two-Flag, Windsor Castle, Wizard's Castle.

* Please note that some games may be played more than once.

POSSIBLE GAMES TO BE PLAYED AT CHAMPIONSHIPS CONT.

Championships Divisions

Competition will include 31 games.

Modified Championships Divisions

Competition will include 23 games.

CHAMPIONSHIPS ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

Due to the postponement of Festival 2020, the eligibility period for Championships was extended to June 1, 2019— June 27, 2021. Recognizing the difficulty of currently hosting rallies, members without access to a rally are encouraged to apply for exceptions. No exceptions will be granted for age or certification.

A reminder that C-3/B/A certified members are not required to participate at a regional Games rally in order to attend Championships. To enter they must have the permission of their RS.

Championships Divisions

Complete a standard rally at the competition level and play a minimum of eight games.

Modified Championships Divisions

Participate in a standard or modified rally at the competition level and play a minimum of eight games.

Exceptions

Competition eligibility exception requests will be handled on a case-by-case basis. There are no exceptions to the age or certification requirements. All competition exception requests must be submitted by the regional supervisor using the online system, www.ponyclub.org/Events/Championships/CompetitorInformation.aspx.

Mount Substitutions

Mount substitution requests will be handled on a case-by-case basis. All mount substitution requests must be submitted by the regional supervisor using the online system, www.ponyclub.org/Events/Championships/CompetitorInformation.aspx.

GAMES RALLY SUPPORT

Rally Amid COVID-19

Rally organizers must consult and follow the guidelines outlined in the USPC Requirements and Recommendations for Mounted Rallies During COVID. The current guidelines are available on the Rally Resources & Materials page of the USPC website.

Rally Resources & Materials Web Page

The Rally Resources & Materials page of the USPC website received a significant overhaul. You must be logged into the Pony Club website to access the page. Rally organizers are encouraged to check out the new resources in addition to the current USPC Requirements and Recommendations for rallies. The new Rally Organizer's Guide is available for download from the website, or for purchase from Shop Pony Club. Suggestions for the page? Please email them to Activities@ponyclub.org.

GAMES RALLY SUPPORT CONT.

Rally Technical Delegate Reports

Regional rally organizers are reminded that Technical Delegate Reports are REQUIRED for standard rallies and requested for all rallies because they aid the discipline committees in monitoring the number of Pony Club competitors participating in the discipline across the U.S. Electronic versions of TD reports are always preferred, but hardcopy versions are also acceptable. Please make sure that your Technical Delegate is submitting the reports to the National Office.

Online Rally Scoring

Check out www.ponyclubscoring.com for information on the FREE scoring program developed for USPC Games. Technical support is always available, and contact information is on the website.

2022 PRINCE PHILIP CUP COMPETITION

Teams for the 2022 Prince Philip Cup Competition will be selected from the top placing Youth Open teams from the Festival Championships. The competition will occur in conjunction with the 2022 Kentucky Three-Day Event.

2021 PRESIDENT'S CUP COMPETITION

Teams for the 2021 President's Cup Competition will be selected from the top placing Junior Open teams from the Festival Championships. Location to be determined.

2021 INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE TEAM

The 2021 International Mounted Games Exchange team will travel to Australia. This exchange was delayed from 2020 and exact details TBD.

2022 INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE APPLICATIONS

Applications for the 2022 IMGE will be all electronic and available online by September 1. Check the USPC website for eligibility requirements and deadlines.

USPC GAMES ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Follow Games in USPC on Facebook, <https://www.facebook.com/GamesinUSPC/>, for more information about Games in Pony Club.

Follow USPC International Mounted Games Exchange on Facebook, <https://www.facebook.com/USPCIMGE/> to keep up with this year's and future exchanges.

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