

# Pony Club

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## 2020 TETRATHLON RULEBOOK

The 2020 rulebook is now available online and through Shop Pony Club. Significant edits (shown in red font) were made since 2019. The major changes are listed below, but please review your rulebook for all changes.

- *Article 28* - Clarification about competitors also coaching other competitors.
- *Article 33* – Clarification about the minimum jumping height to earn eligibility for Championships.
- *Article 36* – Clarification about competition attire for the riding phase.
- *Section III, Chapter 1 and Article 41* – Clarification about the Riding Phase.
- *Article 53* – Equitation scoring clarification has been added.
- *Article 62* – The Range has been clarified.
- *Article 80* – Disqualification scoring has been updated and clarified.
- *Article 81* – Shortened team scoring has been added for short teams that lose a rider during competition (does not apply to the creation of teams).
- *Appendix IV* – The Junior/Senior Team Formation Form has been added to the rulebook.
- *Appendix V* – There is a new TD Evaluation and Report Form in the rulebook.

Please note that after publishing, there were several USPC National Policy updates approved by the USPC Board at the January 2020 meeting. The most current USPC National Policies as listed on the website always supersede any previous USPC Policy. Corrections to Section I policy references will be included in the 2021 rulebook.

### Rulebook Corrections

- Appendix VII 10 & Under Shooting Stance is incorrect. Please refer to Article 65 for correct shooting stance for 10 & Under competitors. Stance for 10 & Under competitors should read – “athlete is standing and has the choice to shoot two handed unsupported or using one hand supported by T-Stand”
- Article 42(6) – Refer to Appendix VIII for correct info regarding maximum number of jumps per division.

## USPC TETRATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS

USPC is pleased to host Festival Tetrathlon Championships 2020 at the Kentucky Horse Park, July 13-17. 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.

## CHAMPIONSHIPS COMPETITION

All Tetrathlon Ride phase rounds will include the slip rail and gate for all divisions. The standard divisions will have two riding rounds and the modified divisions will have one riding round.

## CHAMPIONSHIPS ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

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

### Championships Divisions

Compete at a standard regional Tetrathlon rally at level earning a total minimum score of 2600 for Novice and Intermediate or 2800 for Junior and Senior and a riding score of 550 for all Championship divisions.

### Modified Championships Divisions

Participate in a standard or modified Tetrathlon rally at the competition level and not be eliminated in riding round for a safety related elimination (i.e. fall of horse or rider).

### Reminders

- Pre-Novice is the lowest level of competition offered at Championships. No competitors will have the option to compete down lower than the Pre-Novice heights and distances.
- If a competitor competes down at their regional rally they must compete down and incur the penalties associated with competing down at Championships.
- To be eligible for Championships a competitor may not compete down more than one division.

### 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](http://www.ponyclub.org/Events/Championships/CompetitorInformation.aspx).

## TETRATHLON RALLY SUPPORT

### Rally Organizer's Web Page

The Rally Organizer's page of the USPC website will be receiving a reorganization and expansion in the coming months. Keep your eyes open for the new Rally Organizer's Guide and an increased number of resource materials for organizing rallies.

### 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](http://www.ponyclubscoring.com) for information on the FREE scoring program developed for USPC Tetrathlon. Technical support is always available, and contact information is on the website.

## TETRATHLON RALLY SUPPORT CONT

### Rally Support Contacts

Questions about organizing a Tetrathlon rally? Contact the members of the Tetrathlon Committee as listed below. If they are not available additional resources include Bonnie LaMonte, [bonnie.lamonte@mousehousefarm.com](mailto:bonnie.lamonte@mousehousefarm.com), 717-548-3690 or Colin Tilzey, [colin.tilzey@kennametal.com](mailto:colin.tilzey@kennametal.com), 724-961-8292. Scoring questions? Contact Tim Herbert at the information listed below.

### 2020 INTERNATIONAL TETRATHLON EXCHANGE

The 2020 International Tetrathlon Exchange hosted by The Pony Club UK is coming up! A team representing USA will be competing July 24-August 12.

### Support the International Tetrathlon Exchange Teams:

USPC restricted Strassburger Tetrathlon Fund is a fund specifically formed to support the activities of the International Tetrathlon Teams of USPC both when going abroad and when we are the host country.

Please consider running a fundraiser for the Strassburger fund in conjunction with your Tetrathlon Rally to help support the Tetrathlon International Exchange program. Your tax deductible donation helps build USPC Tetrathlon International Exchange. Please send your checks today to the USPC restricted Strassburger Tetrathlon Fund.

We have a SwimOutlet.com Team Store! Visit [www.swimoutlet.com/uspctetrathlon/](http://www.swimoutlet.com/uspctetrathlon/) to shop for your Tetrathlon gear! Our store is customizable; if there is something you are interested in purchasing, please let us know. Items related to running, leisure swimming, and general fitness are all available.

### USPC TETRATHLON IN SOCIAL MEDIA

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

Follow USPC International Tetrathlon on Facebook, <https://www.facebook.com/USPCTetrathlonTeam/> to keep up with past and future exchanges.

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