

# Pony Club<sup>®</sup>

*Where it all begins*



## Quiz Rulebook

2021

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## THE USPC PLEDGE

*As a Member of the United States Pony Club,  
I stand for the best in sportsmanship as well as in horsemanship.  
I shall compete for the enjoyment of the game well played and  
take winning or losing in stride, remembering that without good  
manners and good temper, sport loses its cause for being.  
I shall endeavor to maintain the best tradition of the ancient  
and noble skill of horsemanship, always treating my horse  
with consideration due a partner.*

## USPC MISSION STATEMENT

The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. develops character, leadership, confidence, and a sense of community in youth through a program that teaches the care of horses and ponies, riding and mounted sports.

## Introduction

The mission of Quiz is to promote a deep understanding and familiarity with the material presented at each certification level. Quiz is a fundamental and creative learning tool. Many aspects of Pony Club mounted rallies can be learned at the Quiz rally. This rally, besides challenging Pony Club members to learn horsemanship and horse care, provides them with opportunities to display and learn good sportsmanship, leadership, stewardship, and teamwork as they prepare thoroughly, plan and cooperate with their teammates, and take winning or losing in stride.

## Competitions

In an effort to make Quiz more interactive and therefore more fun, there are five phases: Classroom, Stations, Mega-Room, Barn, and Written Test.

In the Classroom phase, members are asked individual questions which they must answer orally in a specific amount of time. During the Stations phase, teams move through a variety of 'stations' and answer questions at those stations as a team. The stations may be written, hands-on, or even games. Teams then move on to the Barn phase, which is presented in a barn, or barn-like, setting. Members must be

## USPC CORE VALUES

**H**orsemanship with respect to healthcare, nutrition, stable management, handling and riding a mount safely, correctly and with confidence.

**O**rganized teamwork including cooperation, communication, responsibility, leadership, mentoring, teaching and fostering a supportive yet competitive environment.

**R**espect for the horse and self through horsemanship; for land through land conservation; and for others through service and teamwork.

**S**ervice by providing an opportunity for members, parents, and others to support the Pony Club program locally, regionally and nationally through volunteerism.

**E**ducation at an individual pace to achieve personal goals and expand knowledge through teaching others.

able to demonstrate something and many questions are hands-on. Each member is given an individual question before the team as a whole is given one. The final phase of Quiz is the Written Test. This is an individual, multiple choice test each team member must complete. They are specific to the member's certification and include a tie-breaker question at the end.

## Quiz in Pony Club

Pony Club provides many opportunities for members who excel at Quiz to participate on the international stage with the North American Quiz Challenge and an International Exchange. Quiz is the only discipline in Pony Club where a member does not need a horse to compete. It is purely based on knowledge of horses and of the Pony Club disciplines. Quiz fosters teamwork and is competitive but comfortable, comfortable but challenging, challenging but rigorous, rigorous but flexible, flexible but efficient, and efficient but educational while promoting creativity and FUN.

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- USPC website [www.ponyclub.org](http://www.ponyclub.org)
- USPC Quiz web page [www.ponyclub.org/Members/Disciplines/Quiz](http://www.ponyclub.org/Members/Disciplines/Quiz)
- USPC Quiz Facebook Page [www.facebook.com/QuizinUSPC](https://www.facebook.com/QuizinUSPC)
- USPC International Quiz Exchange Facebook Page [www.facebook.com/USPCInternationalQuiz](https://www.facebook.com/USPCInternationalQuiz)

**Reminder:** This is a new Rulebook for 2021. Additions, deletions and changes have been made since the last rulebook was issued. Be sure to read the *entire* publication carefully so you will be aware of all the rules for the upcoming rally season.

*This rulebook should be kept in a 3-ring binder to allow for addition of revisions and new instructional sections. Do not remove pages from your rulebook; be sure to make copies of all forms and charts before writing on them.*

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## Article 5—Member Participation and Eligibility

### Participation in Rallies:

At local, regional, and inter-regional rallies, participants may be of any age or certification, must be a member in good standing, must have paid all local, regional, and national dues, insurance fees, and their membership be on record with the USPC National Office at the time of the rally. Members, parents, and anyone participating in USPC activities must all abide by the applicable Code of Conduct. Members seeking Championships eligibility must meet the criteria determined by the discipline committee and outlined later in this document. For rally purposes, the member's age as of January 1st shall be the age of record throughout the competition year.

### Championships Competitor Age and Certification:

Each discipline/division has minimum age and certification requirements for participation in Championships. Championships competitors must meet the age requirement based on their age on January 1 of the Championships' competition year. They must have competed at the minimum or higher certification level at a standard rally and have achieved the minimum certification level by the closing date of the Championships. Therefore, any autumn standard rallies should base their division entry status on the competitor's age for the following year and take into account planned advancements in certification level.

District Commissioners (DCs) and Center Administrators (CAs) are responsible for the eligibility of competitors and mounts at all rallies. It is the responsibility of DCs/CAs and club/center primary instructors to see that mounts and riders are entered in rallies at the level corresponding to the combination's abilities, to make all competitors aware of health requirements i.e., Coggins, immunizations and state health certificates with valid dates, and to see that entry forms are complete and submitted to the rally secretary on time. It is also the responsibility of DCs/CAs to see that all Pony Club members in their jurisdiction have access to a copy of the current USPC discipline rulebook, current USPC Horse Management Handbook (HMH), current USPC discipline annual newsletter(s) and any other relevant information from the USPC discipline committees or the organizer of a specific rally where they will be competing.

## Article 6—Member in Good Standing

Members are considered in good standing if they are current with all dues and fees owed the registered club/riding center program, and region.

## Article 7—Code of Conduct Expectations

Anyone not conforming to the code of conduct is subject to the following action: the officials of the competition may immediately suspend or expel any individual from the competition upon consulting with the discipline ground jury.

DCs, CAs, RSs, rally organizers, officials and judges must be familiar with, and enforce, the Participating Member and Adult Code of Conduct.

### Participating Member Code of Conduct

The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. is proud of its reputation for good sportsmanship, horsemanship, teamwork and well-behaved members. The USPC expects appropriate behavior from all members, parents and others participating in any USPC activity. Inappropriate behavior may include, but is not limited to: possession, use or distribution of any illegal drugs or alcohol; profanity, vulgar language or gestures; harassment (i.e., using words or actions that intimidate, threaten or persecute others before, during or following USPC activities); failure to follow rules; cheating; and abusing a mount.

### Adult Code of Conduct

The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. is proud of its reputation for good sportsmanship, horsemanship, teamwork and well-behaved members. It expects no less from the parents, guardians, adult family members or others who volunteer for the organization. The USPC expects appropriate behavior when participating in any Pony Club activity. Inappropriate behavior may include, but not be limited to: profanity, vulgar language or gestures; harassment (for example: using words or actions that intimidate, threaten or persecute others before, during or following any Pony Club activity); failure to follow rules; cheating; or abusive behavior.

*"I understand that USPC activities operate under the governance of USPC and are subject to all applicable USPC By-laws, Policies, Rules and Regulations. I understand that I have access to these By-laws, Policies, Rules and Regulations and that it is my responsibility to read them. I agree to adhere to these By-laws, Policies, Rules, Regulations and this Code of Conduct."*

## Article 8—Human Use of and Alcohol & Drugs Policy (Policy 0500)

In the interest in the safety and welfare of all, it is the policy of the Board of Governors, during any Pony Club activities, to prohibit the inappropriate or illegal use of any substance, including but not limited to drugs or alcohol, by anyone participating in any manner. Weapons of any kind are forbidden.

## Article 9—Mounts (Policy 0840)

Mounts used at a regional or interregional rally should be the participant's regular USPC mount, and be accustomed to being handled by its rider without adult supervision. A participant may use a mount other than the regular mount only with the advance permission of the DC/CA and RS.

Per USPC Policy suitable mounts are defined as follows:

1. Stallions are not considered suitable mounts.
2. Mounts must be serviceably sound, in good overall health and in condition for the activity in question.

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3. Mounts must be appropriate for the certification level of the rider and must be at a level of training to participate safely in the activity.
4. Except as noted below, mounts must be at least five (5) years of age in order to participate in USPC competitive, instructional, and recreational programs and activities. In establishing the age of mounts, the first year is considered to be January 1 following the date of foaling.
5. Members holding a riding certification of C-1 and above may participate in all USPC activities on an appropriate mount at least four (4) years of age (See above). A mount must be excused from any activity if in the opinion of the instructor, examiner, or appropriate authority, it is unsafe either to its rider or to other riders or mounts.

Ownership of a mount is not a prerequisite for membership in USPC. The responsibility for obtaining a suitable mount for mounted activities rests with the parents or guardians of the individual member.

## Article 10—Substitution of Mounts

For all mounted rallies (except Tetrathlon) mount and rider become eligible for Championships as a team. Therefore, a competitor must enter Championships only on the mount they earned eligibility on. In extraordinary circumstances, after becoming eligible for Championships, a substitute mount may be requested utilizing the appropriate form, by the RS and must be approved by the applicable discipline chair and the Vice President of Activities.

Any substituted entry must meet the same mount and eligibility requirements as the original entry.

**No mount substitution may be made once a competition has commenced. Refer to the Mount Substitution online application found on the Championships Information page of the USPC website.**

## Article 11—Sharing of Mounts

In some disciplines and in some competitions, the sharing of mounts may be allowed. At regional rallies, the rally organizer in consultation with the RS may allow for the sharing of mounts by competitors. For Championships, requests for shared mounts must be submitted to the appropriate discipline chair, and VPA utilizing the Mount Substitution online application found on the Championships Information page of the USPC website. Each request will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis, for approval or denial. Determination of shared mounts must take into consideration the discipline, competition schedule, and suitability of mount. The welfare of the mount will be the highest priority in this situation and all competitors must agree that if the horse management, judges, technical delegate/steward, or organizers onsite feel that the health of the mount is in jeopardy at any time that they may be removed from the rest of the riding portion of the competition.

## Article 12—Veterinary Care and Medications (Policy 0860 and 0860.P1)

**Per USPC Policy 0860 and 0860.P1. DCs/CAs, RSs, rally organizers, officials and judges must be familiar with and enforce this policy. Parents and competitors must also be familiar with and abide by this policy. Failure to observe this policy will result in disqualification.**

1. All mounts in a USPC sponsored activity shall be serviceably sound and healthy. Mounts should be free of medication other than dressings for minor wounds or scrapes, unless under treatment by a veterinarian. Medications and supplements may not be used to provide an unfair advantage over other competitors or to allow an unfit mount to be used.
2. Medication is defined as any substance that is not water, salt, electrolytes, or a supplement and is not considered a normal foodstuff. It is administered either orally, via stomach tube, by application to an external surface, or by injection.
3. Any mount under treatment by a veterinarian for a condition requiring administration of a medication while at a Pony Club activity or competition shall have a veterinarian's certificate stating the diagnosis, medication, dosage and method of administration.
4. Supplements that are administered to any mount at a Pony Club activity or competition must be recorded on the mount's feed chart and stall card.
5. Medications or supplements may only be administered by the owner of the mount, or by a person designated by the owner of the mount.
6. If, during the course of an activity, it becomes necessary to administer a tranquilizer, stimulant, or depressant (e.g., for suturing) the mount may not be used while under the influence of the medication.
7. Competitors at a rally shall be governed by the procedures on the use of equine medications and supplements described in the Horse Management Handbook.

For any competitions recognized by USEF, or in states that require it, mounts may be drug tested.

## Article 13—Cruelty to and Abuse of a Mount

**Cruelty to or the abuse of a mount present on the grounds of any competition is forbidden and renders the offender subject to penalty. The organizing committee must bar violators from further participation for the remainder of the competition.**

**Any action(s) against a mount by a competitor or other person, which are deemed excessive by a judge, steward, technical delegate or competition veterinarian, in the competition ring or anywhere on the competition grounds may be punished by official warning, elimination, or other sanctions which may be deemed appropriate by the organizing com-**

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mittee. Such action(s) may include, but are not limited to excessive use of the whip or spurs.

USPC, judges, stewards, or TDs may appoint a veterinarian to inspect any animal on competition grounds or entered to compete. Refusal to submit an animal for examination by an authorized veterinarian after due notification shall constitute a violation.

The following are included under the words cruelty and abuse but are not limited thereto:

1. Abuse. Any act or series of actions that, in the opinion of a judge, TD, steward, member of the discipline ground jury or other rally official can clearly and without doubt be defined as abuse of mounts shall be penalized by disqualification. Such acts include, but are not limited to:
  - Riding an exhausted mount.
  - Excessive pressing of a tired mount.
  - Excessive use of whip and/or spurs, and/or bit.
  - Striking a mount in front of the shoulder.
  - Riding an obviously lame mount.
2. Rapping. All rapping (poling) is forbidden.
3. Whip. The use of the whip must be for a good reason, at an appropriate time, in the right place, and with appropriate severity.
  - Reason—The whip must only be used either as an aid to encourage the mount forward, or as a reprimand. It must never be used to vent a rider's temper. Such use is always excessive.
  - Time—As an aid, the only appropriate time is when a mount is reluctant to go forward under normal aids of the seat and legs. As a reprimand, the only appropriate time is immediately after a mount has been disobedient, e.g., napping or refusing. The whip should not be used after elimination. The whip should not be used after a mount has jumped the last fence on a course or completed the last obstacle.
  - Place—As an aid to go forward, the whip may be used down the shoulder or behind the rider's leg. As a reprimand, it must only be used behind the rider's leg. It must never be used overhand, e.g., a whip in the right hand being used on the left flank. The use of a whip on a mount's head, neck, etc., is always excessive use.
  - Severity—As a reprimand only, a mount may be hit hard. However, it should never be hit more than two times for any one incident. If a mount is marked by the whip, e.g., the skin is broken, its use is excessive.
4. End of the Reins (Western Trail only) - The use of the end of the reins must be for a good reason, at an appropriate time, in the right place, and with appropriate severity.
  - Reason—The end of the reins must only be used either as an aid to encourage the mount forward, or as a

reprimand. It must never be used to vent a rider's temper. Such use is always excessive.

- Time—As an aid, the only appropriate time is when a mount is reluctant to go forward under normal aids of the seat and legs. As a reprimand, the only appropriate time is immediately after a mount has been disobedient, e.g., napping or refusing. The end of the reins should not be used after elimination.
  - Place—As an aid to go forward, the end of the reins may be used down the shoulder or behind the rider's leg. As a reprimand, it must only be used behind the rider's leg. It must never be used overhand, e.g., the end of the reins in the right hand being used on the left flank. The use of the end of the reins on a mount's head, neck, etc., is always excessive use.
  - Severity—As a reprimand only, a mount may be hit hard. However, it should never be hit more than two times for any one incident. If a mount is marked by the end of the reins, e.g., the skin is broken, its use is excessive.
5. Spurs—Spurs must not be used to reprimand a mount. Such use is always excessive, as is any use that results in a mount's skin being broken.
  6. Bit—The bit must never be used to reprimand a mount. Any such use is always excessive.
  7. Reporting—Officials must report such actions as soon as possible to the discipline ground jury, supported where possible by statements from witnesses.
    - Discipline ground jury—if such actions are reported, the discipline ground jury shall decide if there is a case to be answered. If an individual member of the discipline ground jury observes such actions, they are obliged to disqualify the competitor forthwith on their own authority. There is no appeal against a discipline ground jury's decision in a case of abuse.

## Article 14—Dangerous Riding

- Any competitor who rides in such a way as to constitute a hazard to the safety or wellbeing of the competitor, mount, other competitors, their mounts, spectators, or others will be penalized accordingly.
- Any act or series of actions that in the opinion of the judge, TD, steward, member of the discipline ground jury can be defined as dangerous riding shall be penalized at the discretion of the discipline ground jury.
- If such actions are reported, the discipline ground jury shall decide if there is a case to be answered. There is no appeal against a discipline ground jury decision.

## Article 15—Safety (Policy 0800)

USPC is committed to safety while recognizing that equestrian activities are inherently dangerous. The USPC Safety Handbook is an excellent resource for making safety a priority at all rallies and Pony Club functions. This dedication to safety

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extends to requiring certain equipment be utilized during Pony Club activities and include:

1. **Protective Headgear (Policy 0810):** USPC requires members participating in mounted and some unmounted activities to wear a properly fitted equestrian helmet, securely fastened, containing certification that it meets the criteria established by the following international or national safety bodies: ASTM F1163 (North America), AS/NZ 3838 (Australia and NZ), PAS 015 (UK).
2. **Safety Vest/Body Protector (Policy 0830):** USPC requires members to wear a properly fitted equestrian body protector when jumping cross-country or solid obstacles during any activity sponsored by the USPC, its regions, registered clubs or riding center programs. A member may wear a body protector at their discretion for any mounted activity. USPC recommends wearing a body protector that is ASTM-certified (manufactured in US) or certified to the BETA Level 3 (manufactured in Great Britain).
3. **Medical Armbands and Bracelets (Policy 0820 and 0820P):**
  - USPC requires that members participating in any USPC affiliated mounted or unmounted activity, must wear either a Medical Armband or Medical Bracelet while participating in the activity. The member may choose which one to wear.
  - Medical armbands must include a current completed copy of the individual's USPC or USEA Medical Card. It must be worn on the upper arm. If the member has small arms, they may safety pin the armband to his/her upper sleeve. (Armbands are available for purchase from Shop Pony Club.)
  - Medical bracelets must visibly list these six items on them: name and date of birth, contact information, known allergies, current medications, and existing medical conditions. More information is acceptable, but these six items are required to be on the bracelet
  - All officials on site at the USPC mounted or unmounted activity are encouraged to work with the competitors to remind them of this requirement.
  - Any member at a USPC affiliated mounted or unmounted activity\* found not wearing either a medical armband or medical bracelet must be removed from the activity until the member conforms to the policy requirements.

\* Tetrathlon competitors will not be required to wear them while actually shooting or swimming but must have them visible and next to them for these activities and must wear them at all other times.
4. **Unmounted Footwear:** When working in the barn or near mounts unmounted footwear must meet all the following criteria:
  - Thick-soled , shoes/boots (short or tall)
  - Cover the ankle

- In good condition
- Made of leather or synthetic materials
- Entirely closed
- Securely fastened
- Well-fitted to foot
- Sturdy construction (e.g., Ugg-type boots do not meet this requirement)

Examples: paddock/jodphur boots, rubber riding boots, rain boots/wellies, western boots.

5. **Smoking:** In the interest of barn safety, it is strictly forbidden for anyone to smoke in or around barn and stable areas.

## Article 16—Heat Related Information

**Heat Illness (Policy 0900):** USPC requires all Pony Club volunteers in a leadership position within Pony Club and especially anyone involved directly with mounted or unmounted lessons or activities to complete the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) heat illness training module.

At all USPC activities, rally officials must consider the:

- Temperature and humidity using the “Heat Index Chart” (Appendix II).
- Time of day and season of activity.
- Level of exertion necessary for participation in the activity.

The Heat Index (HI) or “Apparent Temperature” is the temperature the body feels when heat and humidity are combined. This reduces the amount of evaporation of sweat from the body and outdoor exercise becomes dangerous even for those in good shape. Please refer to Appendix II.

Steps to prevent heat related illness include:

- Providing unlimited cool water for consumption in ALL areas, especially riding areas.
- Make water breaks mandatory.
- Do not depend on thirst as an indicator of the need for water.
- Avoid the hottest part of the day if this is an option.
- Consider shortening the length/level or exertion of the activity.

During rallies, the discipline ground jury (overall ground jury at Championships) is responsible for monitoring the Heat Index and taking appropriate action as necessary. Those actions could include, but are not limited to:

- Waiving of coats/jackets
- Banning of coats/jackets
- Altering of schedule

Any official can and should bring a potentially dangerous heat situation to the attention of the president of the ground jury.



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3. Decided by
  - Inspection panel at horse inspection
  - Judge
  - Discipline ground jury
4. May not ride; therefore, will not receive any riding score during the Excuse, but
  - May request a lameness recheck
  - Rider may request to compete in following phases/ rounds/games after if illness passes.
  - Both the mount and rider shall stay on rally grounds (unless the mount is transported for medical reasons) and continue to participate with the team and continue to be scored in horse management.
  - If ill, mount will be moved to another area, if possible.

## Article 20—Elimination

- Elimination means to exclude a competitor or mount, for cause, from judging consideration in a class/phase. Competitor not scored in a class due to a mistake (e.g., use of illegal equipment, violation of the rules of phase/rounds/ games.)
- After elimination, the discipline ground jury in consultation with the organizer, may allow participation in subsequent phases/rounds/games.
- Determined by judge or discipline ground jury.
- Refer to scoring of penalties for additional discipline specific reasons for elimination.

## Article 21—Disqualification

Disqualification is a punishment for misconduct arising from a deliberate attempt to contravene the rules and regulations of USPC applied at the discretion of the discipline ground jury. Any disqualified competitor and their mount may not take further part in the competition including in horse management.

Reasons for disqualification include, but are not limited to:

- cruelty (Article 13);
- abusive or unsportsmanlike conduct;
- obscene or inappropriate language;
- the use of drugs (other than those prescribed by a physician), alcohol, or tobacco (Article 8);
- rude and disruptive behavior;
- cheating;
- rough or dangerous riding;
- knowingly riding a lame, sick, or exhausted mount;
- misuse of equine medications (Article 12);

If such actions are reported, the discipline ground jury shall decide if there is a case to be answered. When considering the disqualification of a competitor, the discipline ground jury may decide to give a Yellow (Warning) Card in lieu of disqualifying a competitor. If a Yellow Card is assigned to a competitor, it may or may not include penalty points not to exceed a 50% impact on the associated phase score if related to a single phase, or a 50% impact on the overall score. There is no appeal against a discipline ground jury decision on issuing a Yellow Card or disqualifying a competitor.

Refer to Section V for additional discipline specific reasons for disqualification and scoring.

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### Chapter 1—Team Composition

#### Article 22—Team Formation

##### Regional Rallies:

The district commissioner (DC) or center administrator (CA) of local clubs/centers are responsible for club/center team formation at regional rallies. A team made up of members from one local club/center remains the ideal and is always the goal. Scramble teams made up of members from multiple clubs/centers are also accepted. The DCs/CAs of the clubs/centers involved may assist the rally organizer in forming scramble teams. Regional supervisors (RSs) may have final determination.

##### Championships:

The RS is responsible for region team formation for Championships. A team made up of members from one region remains the ideal and is always the goal. RSs who have individual competitors who have properly earned eligibility for Championships, and whose region is unable to field a team for Championships, may submit individuals for Championships who will be placed on a scramble team by the Championships discipline secretary. Requests for preferred teammates may be submitted, but are not guaranteed.

#### Article 23—Team Configuration

1. Teams shall normally consist of 3 or 4 members with one member being designated as team captain. The team will belong to one division based on age and Horse Management certification.
2. At the organizer's discretion, there may be an alternative configuration of teams based on entries.
3. No D may compete on a C/H-B team; and no C/H-B may compete on a D team. No C may compete on a H-B/H/H-A team.
4. H-B/H/H-A: teams consist of only 2 members.

#### Article 24—Team Captains

Each team entered in the competition shall have one member designated as team captain who shall act as spokesperson for the team. Only the team captain may lodge a protest on behalf of any team member (see Article 64).

The team captain is responsible for all communications between the team and rally officials. The team captain is the official spokesperson for the team. In the event of an inquiry, protest or appeal, the captain represents the team. The competitor involved should accompany the captain. It is the responsibility of team captains to ensure that their team members follow all rules and regulations of the competition and to transmit to them any changes or additional instructions provided by rally officials. Any withdrawal of a team member must be reported to the TD.

Teams losing a team captain to illness must designate another team member to take over the responsibilities of captain. If the original captain returns, they will resume the responsibilities of captain.

#### Article 25—Chaperones/Emergency Contacts

All competitors below the age of majority must have an official chaperone, 21 years of age or older, listed with rally organizers. All competitors above the age of majority must have an emergency contact, who is available during the competition, listed with the rally organizers. Please review the following criteria for chaperones and emergency contacts.

##### 1. Chaperones:

- Any team with a competitor under the age of majority must have an official chaperone, 21 years of age or older, designated for the competition.
- The chaperone will act as the contact person for that team and must always be on the rally grounds during competition hours.
- Several individuals may share one team's chaperone duties, but only one name will be listed as the official chaperone. All persons sharing this duty should be made aware of this name and answer to it.
- The chaperone should serve as a volunteer for the competition but may not assume coaching duties.
- Anyone serving as team chaperone must understand and agree to the duties outlined in Appendix III.

##### 2. Emergency Contacts:

- Any competitor above the age of majority must submit a completed Emergency Contact Form (Appendix III) with their entry.
- Those listed as an emergency contact must be available by phone during the competition.

#### Article 26—Spectators

1. Definition: "One who views an event but does not participate."

In many cases, due to logistics, timing, and fairness to all competitors, spectators may not be allowed in the competition area during the competition.

2. Competitors shall not be spectators in any phase of any division.

When allowed in the competitions area:

- Spectators need to enter before any phase begins and then remain quiet and refrain from talking or signaling during the competition.
- Spectators shall not communicate with competitors once a phase has begun or during the 30-minute inquiry period.
- Spectators may not help or give suggestions to competitors.

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- Spectators will be promptly dismissed at the beginning of each inquiry and protest period.
- Spectators must not talk to or interfere with a judge or with the process of an inquiry or protest.
- Spectators shall not bring writing or recording materials.
- Cell phones must be off or on vibrate. Spectators answering a cell phone will be dismissed and not permitted to return.

The judge, room steward, table monitor, organizer, or technical delegate shall take measures to assure that the above standards are maintained.

### Chapter 2—Competition Levels and Divisions

#### Article 27—Competition Levels

At regional rallies a competitor may compete in the level that matches their age and certification. Below are the most commonly offered levels at Quiz rally:

- Novice D
- Novice C
- Junior D
- Junior C/H-B
- Senior D
- Senior C/H-B
- H-B/H/H-A

#### Article 28—Competition Divisions

Competition divisions differ from competition levels in that competitors may be separated into divisions based on age, skill and/or other parameters. A competitor's age is determined by their age as of January 1 on the year of competition. See Article 5 for more details on age minimums.

Novice D	Up to and including 11 years of age
Novice C	Up to and including 11 years of age
Junior D	12-17
Junior C/H-B	12-17
Senior D	18+
Senior C/H-B	18+
H-B/H/H-A	14+

**Note:** Rally divisions can be combined based on entry numbers and approval of the organizer and regional supervisor. Novice competitors can always compete up one division to fill out a Junior team and Junior competitors can always compete up one division as a Senior to fill out a team. Juniors can never compete down into the Novice division and Senior competitors can never compete down in a Junior division. Before combining Junior and Senior aged competitors on the same team, rally organizers must get the approval of the Junior competitor and their parent/legal guardian (Appendix IV).

D teams consist of any combination of unrated through D-3 Pony Club members. C/H-B teams consist of any combinations of C-1 through H-B. H-B/H/H-A members may form 2-person teams.

Unrated Pony Club members compete as D-1s and abide by D regulations.

#### Article 29—Championships Divisions—Minimum Age and Certifications

Competitors seeking to attend Championships must meet the age parameters and minimum certifications for their desired competition level as listed below.

Modified Novice D	D-2 & D-3 HM	10-11
Modified Novice C	C-1 HM & C-2 HM	10-11
Modified Junior D	D-2 & D-3 HM	12-17
Modified Senior D	D-2 & D-3 HM	18+
Junior D	D-3 HM	12-17
Senior D	D-3 HM	18+
Junior C/H-B	C-1 HM-H-B	12-17
Senior C/H-B	C-1 HM-H-B	18+
H-B/H/H-A	H-B-H-A	14+

**Note:** Championship divisions can be combined based on entry numbers and approval from Vice President of Activities (VPA) and the overall organizer. There are no age and no certification exceptions.

#### Article 30—Championships Eligibility Process

Each individual Pony Club member who desires to compete at Championships must compete in a standard rally and be judged at the minimum Horse Management certification and same competition level in which they intend to compete at Championships. This constitutes the "individual eligibility" of the competitor, and there are no exceptions to minimum age or certification requirements.

#### Article 31—Eligibility Requirements for H-B/H/H-A Certified Competitors

Certified H-B, H, and H-A members wishing to compete at Championships do not have to participate at a regional Quiz rally but must have permission of their RS.

#### Article 32—Exceptions to Eligibility Requirements for Championships

Exceptions to the eligibility process are occasionally granted. There are no exceptions to minimum age and certification requirements. The process for requesting an exception is outlined on the Championships Competition Information page of the USPC website. All requests for exceptions must come from the RS to the appropriate discipline chair.

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### Chapter 3—Presentation of Competitor

#### Article 33—Competitor Identification

Identification numbers (pinnies, nametags, etc.) must be worn in a prominent manner on competitors, as designated by rally officials.

#### Article 34—Competitor Attire

Each participant is responsible for organizing their own attire and equipment, which must meet all safety requirements outlined in Article 15. Competitors should be neat and clean with inappropriate jewelry not permitted; see Horse Management Handbook for specifications. Participants must wear a medical armband or bracelet as specified in Article 15.3. A Pony Club pin must be worn at all times unless otherwise stated by rally officials. Felt can be placed behind pins using the below designations:

<b>Certification</b>	<b>Felt Color</b>
A .....	Royal Blue
H-A .....	Orange
B .....	Red
H-HM/H .....	Purple
H-B .....	Brown
C-3 .....	White
C+ .....	Pink
C-1 and C-2 .....	Green
D-1 through D-3 .....	Yellow

Depending on the activity, different attire expectations exist. The different situations and attire expectations are listed below.

#### Competition Attire for Quiz

##### **Required**

Shirt—Collared long or short-sleeved shirt tucked into pant.

Pants—Long pants, mid-length or longer shorts or modest length skirts made of khaki, chino or denim materials of any color, with no rips or tears, and a shirt with sleeves, are examples of appropriate attire for unmounted work in the barn.

Footwear—Athletic shoes are permitted for all phases EXCEPT the Barn Phase. During the Barn Phase competitors must wear proper unmounted footwear per Article 15.4.

##### **Permitted**

Belt—Any type/color.



## SECTION IV: Scoring

### Article 63—Points and Penalties

#### 1. Points

Scoring for Quiz is on a positive point basis, utilizing the points system defined below. If any penalties are assessed during a phase, they are deducted from the phase score for the individual or team as applicable by phase.

Barn:

- A. Question at same certification level .....5 points
- B. Question at one certification higher .....10 points
- C. Novice D conference question .....1/2 regular value
- 4. Team questions .....20 points

Classroom:

- A. Question at same certification level .....5 points
- B. Question at one certification higher .....10 points
- C. Question at two certifications higher .....15 points
- D. Novice D conference question .....1/2 regular value
- E. Multi-part answers .....See Appendix VI

Mega-Room:

- A. Only positive points count. Each correctly identified item earns one (1) point.
- B. Points are not subtracted for incorrect answers.

Stations:

- A. The value per station will be indicated on the question card or within instructions.
- B. Point value varies according to each question. Total maximum point value is 20 points per station.

Written Test:

- A. Only positive points count. Each correctly identified item earns two (2) points.
- B. Points are not subtracted for incorrect answers.

#### 2. Penalties in each phase:

- A. No USPC pin .....1 penalty point
- B. No official name badge .....1 penalty point
- C. No number pinny .....1 penalty point
- D. Late arrival to phase .....10 penalty points
- E. Unauthorized assistance .....0-30 penalty points for first incident
- F. Unauthorized assistance .....Disqualification for second incident
- G. Competitor as spectator .....Disqualification
- H. Unsportsmanlike conduct ....Penalty points assessed at the discretion of the discipline ground jury
- I. Frivolous or groundless protest .....5 penalty points per occurrence
- J. Competitor with a cell phone during a phase .....Disqualification

K. Disqualification .....No further participation in the competition

L. Inappropriate attire ...3 penalty points per occurrence

### Article 64—Inquiries, Protests and Appeals

Only competitors have the right to dispute scores and only competitors can participate in the process. Any non-competitor involvement in the process is considered unauthorized assistance.

- Competitors may only inquire about their team/individual scores.
- Inquiries are encouraged if there are any scores with which the team does not agree or understand, or if they feel a mistake has occurred. Any disputes regarding scores are to be made following the procedures as stated in the governing documents.
- All inquiries, protests and appeals must be made in a polite and courteous manner. Abuse of these procedures or rude behavior may be penalized up to and including elimination and/or disqualification.
- The process will include verbal inquiry, written inquiry, written protest and written appeal.

#### Quiz Verbal Inquiry

Verbal inquiries may be initiated if the team captain/individual competitor does not agree or **understand or if they feel a mistake has been made**. Verbal inquiries are made to the judge/monitor in charge of the phase.

#### ***Inquiries must be:***

Initiated at the end of each round/table. The judge/monitor will note the question and mark the score sheet with an "I", and the phase continues. At the end of the phase, the coordinator (or in Classroom, the judge) will ask who has an inquiry. Verbal Inquiries are made in person by:

- The team captain, if competitor is on a team. The competitor involved may go with the team captain.
- The competitor involved (if competing as an individual).

During the 30-minute Verbal Inquiry Process:

- All spectators must leave.
- The team then remains sequestered in a designated place until the phase coordinator's decision is presented.

#### Quiz Written Inquiry

Written inquiries may be initiated if the team captain/individual competitor disagrees with the phase coordinator's decision on a verbal inquiry. Written inquiries are made to the technical delegate/steward via the rally office.

#### ***Written Inquiries must be:***

- Made in writing, using the official Quiz Written Inquiry/Protest Form (signed by the team captain/individual competitor), containing the references to the rules covering the reason for the inquiry Section VI, Chapter 24, D.

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- The team may request the reference material be made available only in the rally office while completing the protest form and then include the reference on the protest form.
- The team must be sequestered during the preparation of their inquiry.
- Delivered within 30 minutes of the phase coordinator's decision to the rally office.

### Written Protest to the Discipline Ground Jury

If a team does not agree with the technical delegate/steward's decision on a written inquiry, they may advance a written protest (utilizing the existing written inquiry/protest form) to the discipline ground jury.

The decision must be made while the team is sequestered and within 10 minutes after the TD/steward's announcement of the decision to the team.

#### **Written Protests must be:**

Initiated by:

- The team captain, if competitor is on a team. The competitor involved may go with the team captain.
- The competitor involved (if competing as an individual).
- Made within 10 minutes of the TD/steward's announcement of the decision to the team.

### Frivolous Protest

- During a rally, each team is allowed one "free" inquiry to the technical delegate. After the first, the TD may present to the discipline ground jury any inquiry presented in which the decision of the judge was upheld and which the TD deems frivolous and not in the spirit of good sportsmanship. Any inquiry deemed frivolous, may be assessed 5 points by the discipline ground jury.
- If any score change results, the chief scorekeeper must be notified by the official making the decision and changes recorded scores.

The discipline ground jury will meet, review the written inquiry/protest form, make a decision, document the decision on the original written inquiry/protest form, and report its decision.

THE DECISION OF THE DISCIPLINE GROUND JURY IS FINAL AT REGIONAL RALLIES.

### Written Appeal to the Overall Ground Jury/ Appeal Committee

(AT CHAMPIONSHIPS ONLY)

If a team does not agree with the discipline ground jury's decision on a written protest, they may advance an appeal (utilizing the existing written inquiry form) to the overall ground jury/appeal committee.

The team's decision to appeal must be made while the team is sequestered and within 10 minutes after the announcement of the discipline ground jury's decision to the team.

### Appeals must be initiated by:

- The team captain, if competitor is on a team. The competitor involved may go with the team captain.
- The competitor involved (if competing as an individual).

THE DECISION OF THE OVERALL GROUND JURY/APPEAL COMMITTEE IS FINAL AT CHAMPIONSHIPS.

### Article 65—Scoring of Excused

Excused competitors/mounts will receive same score of zero score for any round/phase from which they are excused. Competitors may rejoin the competition as soon as they are able.

### Article 66—Scoring of Elimination

Appropriate and sportsmanlike conduct is expected per the USPC Member Code of Conduct. Unsportsmanlike behavior, rudeness, unruly behavior, and/or unauthorized assistance may be assessed elimination penalty points or possibly be disqualified at the discretion of the discipline ground jury.

#### Unauthorized Assistance

1. Examples of unauthorized assistance are as follows:
  - A. Prior access or review of the Official Quiz Question Set for any reason.
  - B. Talking during a competition phase except when given instructions and permission to do so.
  - C. The presence of study materials, note taking material, and/or recording equipment during a phase.
  - D. The acceptance of suggestions or assistance from anyone other than an official or teammate during a phase and/or the inquiry or protest process.
  - E. Competitors with a cell phone during any phase could be disqualified from competition.

The discipline ground jury may access penalties for inappropriate behavior and/or unauthorized assistance as follows.

FIRST infraction:

- Zero to 30 penalty points subtracted from the individual or team's total score (determined by the TD).
- Forfeit of the right to appeal judgment of answers.

### Article 67—Scoring Disqualification

The discipline ground jury may disqualify a competitor and/or a team from competition, for the reasons stated in Article 21. Or the discipline ground jury may decide to issue a Yellow (Warning) Card in lieu of disqualifying a competitor. Decisions of the discipline ground jury are not appealable except at Championships.

1. If a Yellow Card is accessed to a competitor, it may or may not include penalty points. The discipline ground jury can access penalties ranging from 0 up to the maximum penalties as defined below. Any accessed penalties should be included in the "Other" column on the scoresheet and are deducted from the positive point score.

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**Barn**—The maximum number of penalties accessible for infractions related to the Barn phase is calculated by multiplying 10 points by the number of stalls in the round, then multiplied by the number of rounds. Then divided by 2.

**Classroom**—The maximum number of penalties accessible for infractions related to the Classroom phase is calculated by multiplying 15 points by the number of rounds. Then divided by 2.

**Mega-Room**—The maximum number of penalties accessible for infractions related to the Mega-Room phase is calculated by multiplying the number of items per table by the number of tables. Then divided by 2.

**Stations**—The maximum number of penalties accessible for infractions related to the Stations phase is calculated by multiplying 20 by the number of tables. Then divided by 2.

**Written Test**—The maximum number of penalties accessible for infractions related to the Written Test phase equals the number of questions included on the test.

**Full Competition** - For infractions related to the entire competition, the maximum number of penalties is calculated by adding together the maximum penalties accessible by phase.

2. Competitors (or teams) who are disqualified from competition shall have all their scores from the competition stricken. If the disqualification of a competitor causes an already short team, to become a shortened team, then shortened team ghost scoring will apply. If a stable manager is disqualified, all the team's accumulated Horse Management points will be split evenly among the remaining team members.

Disqualified competitors and their horses may not take further part in the rally and may be asked to leave the grounds. A disqualified competitor/team may not receive an award.

### Article 68—Team Scoring

1. Based on the number of competitors, teams may or may not have a drop score. Four person teams will drop scores based on the parameters listed below per phase. Three member teams will keep all three scores from each phase.

#### A. Barn:

- The 3 highest individual scores at each Barn stall and the score of the team question are totaled for each round. Thus, the lowest individual score for each 4-person team is dropped at the end of a Barn stall.
- The scores of both members of a 2-person team of H-B/H/H-A members are totaled for the phase.
- At the end of the phase the total scores for each Barn stall are totaled.

#### B. Classroom:

- The 3 highest scores of each team are totaled for each round. Thus, the lowest score for each 4-person team is dropped at the end of a round.
- The scores of both members of a 2-person team of H-B/H/H-A members are totaled for the phase.
- At the end of the phase the total scores for each round are totaled.

#### C. Mega-Room:

- The 3 highest individual scores for each table are totaled for the entire phase, not overall individual scores. Thus, the lowest score per table is dropped for a 4-person team, so that the Mega-Room phase score reflects the best scores per table for the entire team.
- The scores of both members of a 2-person team of H-B/H/H-A members are totaled for the phase.

#### D. Stations:

The team scores from each station are totaled for the entire Stations phase.

#### E. Written Test:

- The 3 highest scores of each team are totaled for the entire phase. Thus, the lowest score for each 4-person team is dropped in the Written Test.
- The scores of both members of a 2-person team of H-B/H/H-A members are totaled for the phase.

2. In extraordinary circumstances when a short team (three competitor team) becomes a shortened team (two competitor team), prior to the start of competition, the following team scoring will take effect.

#### A. Barn:

- The scores of both remaining members of the team are averaged to become a third ghost score for the team.

#### B. Classroom:

- The scores of both remaining members of the team are averaged to become a third ghost score for the team.

#### C. Mega-Room:

- The scores of both remaining members of the team are averaged to become a third ghost score for the team.

#### D. Stations:

- The team scores from each station are totaled for the entire Stations phase.

#### E. Written Test:

- The scores of both remaining members of the team are averaged to become a third ghost score for the team.

## SECTION V: Officiation

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### Overview

The use of appropriately licensed (US Equestrian, etc.) officials is always preferable. Regarding standard rallies, appropriately licensed officials may be required. However, realizing that not every area has Pony Club-oriented licensed officials easily available, rally organizers are asked to utilize suitably experienced personnel to fill official positions. Organizers needing help are encouraged to reach out to the appropriate discipline committee (refer to [www.ponyclub.org](http://www.ponyclub.org) About/Contact Us/Activities Committees to find contact information for the USPC discipline committee members). These resource people, available by e-mail, or phone, can help with courses, officials, or other questions.

### Article 72—Rally Organizer

The rally organizer serves as the manager of the competition. They must be on the grounds during competition and available to rally officials in the event a problem arises concerning the facility or equipment. Rally organizers do not participate in the officiation, unless required due to extenuating circumstances. They must engage individuals necessary to fill all official capacities at the competition. Full details and job descriptions for rally organizers are available in the rally Organizer's Guide.

### Article 73—Technical Delegate (TD)

The technical delegate oversees the technical and administrative arrangements for a competition. They are responsible for knowing and enforcing the rules of the competition. The TD is the person to whom an inquiry is presented by the team captain in the event of a question regarding mathematical errors or scoring irregularities. If the initial inquiry to the TD fails to resolve the question at hand, the discipline ground jury then makes a final decision. The TD may not be a member of the discipline ground jury.

The organizer shall appoint a knowledgeable person to serve as TD. The TD shall act with complete impartiality and report to the organizer and appropriate discipline committee, protecting the interests of competitors, judges, officials and the competition organizers. The TD shall have no connection with the management or judging of a competition. No Pony Club rally competition shall be organized and held without the presence of a TD.

1. The technical delegate must be knowledgeable, competent and familiar with current Pony Club rules, standards, and references. Such experience may be achieved as a quiz committee member, regional supervisor (from another region), chief horse management judge, or national examiner.
2. The technical delegate ensures that technical and administrative details are in accordance with the current USPC Quiz rulebook.

3. The technical delegate reviews all Quiz material and answer keys for Barn, Stations, Mega-Room, and Written Tests prior to the competition to verify suitability and reference.
4. The technical delegate decides all written protests presented by competitors, then notifies the team of that decision in person.
5. The technical delegate should deal with all protests in a timely fashion.

At the close of the rally, the TD must complete the USPC Quiz rally Technical Delegate's Evaluation and Report Form. This form is Appendix IV, of the Quiz Rulebook and available electronically on the USPC website.

### Article 74—Discipline Ground Jury:

The discipline ground jury is the group that adjudicates the rally. The discipline ground jury makes proper inquiries into both sides of cases in all protests concerning decisions made by the TD and other officials during a rally.

The organizer shall appoint a discipline ground jury. Specific to each discipline the discipline ground jury shall be composed of three individuals who are knowledgeable and familiar with Pony Club rules, standards and references. It may include judges, scorekeeper, etc.

The following persons are ineligible to serve on the discipline ground jury:

1. Any competitor, parent, or chaperone.
2. Any close relative of a person named in item 1. above
3. The organizer or any member of the organizing committee
4. The technical delegate
5. Any member of the overall ground jury/appeal committee

### Duties of the Discipline Ground Jury:

- A. The discipline ground jury is ultimately responsible for the judging of the rally and for settling all problems that may arise during its jurisdiction. Together with the TD and organizing committee, shall ensure that all arrangements for the rally, including that all competition areas are appropriate. If, after consultation with the TD, the discipline ground jury is not satisfied with the arrangements or areas, it has the authority to modify them.
- B. The discipline ground jury will be responsible for determining objections against decisions by technical personnel, including judges and time-keepers, and may substitute their judgement for that of any judge or official, whether or not in favor of the competitor.
- C. The discipline ground jury oversees all phases of a rally and determines whether competitors may continue in the next phase, after elimination or excused.



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### Appendix III: Chaperone and Emergency Contact Information

#### Team Chaperones vs. Emergency Contacts

When competitors under the age of majority (minors) participate in a rally, there will be a designated “Official Team Chaperone.” In the situation of scramble teams, the official team chaperone will be appointed by the rally officials and will be so noted in the rally program. The team chaperone serves as the team contact for rally and a responsible guiding presence to prepare the team for success. Competitors who are above the age of majority (adults) participating in a rally will not have a designated chaperone but must submit the name and contact information for their emergency contact.

#### Team Chaperones

##### *Time Commitment*

The official team chaperone is responsible for team members during the hours of competition and on competition grounds only (from arrival on grounds until departing rally ground at beginning and end of each day of competition).

##### *Transportation, Driving and Lodging*

Decisions to allow a competitor to drive or not, who they can or cannot ride with, who they can or cannot have in a vehicle that they are driving, where they stay at night and with whom they stay, and who is to be responsible for a competitor are all decisions that must be made by the parent/legal guardian. These decisions are not a decision of USPC, their region, club/center, or the rally organizer. Specific arrangements must be made by and between the parent/legal guardian and the adult assuming any of these responsibilities in the absence of the parent/guardian.

##### *Preparing Your Team for Success*

- Initiate contact with all team members prior to leaving for the competition and gather cell phone numbers as appropriate. In cases of scramble team members, request contact information from the rally secretary. Share this information with team captain and/or stable manager.
- Encourage the team to have meetings prior to leaving for rally. Be sure all members of a scramble team are included in the decision-making process, either by email or phone contact, if a distance away.
- Discuss team equipment, review all rules that apply and any decisions regarding snacks, drinks, plans for meals, etc. Determine how the team members plan to provide snacks and drinks (i.e., each team member contribute a sum of money to a pot or each member is assigned specific items to bring). If each is contributing money, it must be collected before the rally. Be sure to know who is bringing cooler(s), as to avoid a trip to the local store.

- Plan arrival time at the competition site and any details such as arrangements for ordering bedding, if needed, and who is assigned to do this (again collect money in advance if needed).
- On the first day of the rally, gather the team together before they separate for the night and make plans for the next day. Include a review of their competition schedule and how they can best work together to help each other prepare.
- Determine a regular meeting place and de-brief the team at the end of each day of competition. Take this opportunity to offer words of praise, acknowledge their accomplishments, and encourage the sense of teamwork and team building. Guide the team towards constructive criticism and steer them away from finger pointing. Have the team make plans for the next day concerning time they will arrive on the competition grounds, who will feed horses the next morning, who will re-supply the tack room cooler with ice, drinks and snacks (get requests for drinks/ snacks) and make the plans for lunch. Be sure any plans for cooler and/or lunch delivery follow any requirements as stated in the competition entry and they understand the plan. Have the team leave with a plan for the next day in place before they go off for an evening of relaxation.

#### Emergency Contacts

Anyone listed as an emergency contact for a competitor should be reachable by phone for the duration of the competition. Emergency contacts do not need to be on the competition grounds, but ideally are also within driving distance of the competition in the case of an emergency.

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## Appendix III Chaperone Form

*To be completed by the chaperone and turned in with the rally entry for USPC members below the age of majority.*

### Chaperone duties shall include:

1. The primary function of the "Official Team Chaperone" is to ensure that there is a contact person for every USPC member below the age of majority, on the grounds for the duration of the competition.
2. While multiple Chaperone Forms may be turned in for a single team, only one person will be designated the Official Team Chaperone. If the Official Team Chaperone must leave the grounds during the competition, they must delegate the team chaperone duties to another responsible adult, making it clear that they are to respond to rally officials and any team members in your absence.
3. Be present and available to rally officials and all team members for the duration of the competition.
4. Being in contact with parents/guardians for all team members during competition hours.
5. Being in contact with all team members and their parents/guardians outside of competition hours.
6. Have copy of and be familiar with the current discipline rulebook and the current Horse Management Handbook and Rules for rallies. Rulebooks available for download from [www.ponyclub.org](http://www.ponyclub.org).
7. Be aware that USPC members are required to wear a current, up to date USPC medical card/bracelet on their arm at all USPC activities.
8. Be familiar with the effects of heat and humidity and the potential risk for heat related illness. Take an active role in helping to keep all team members well hydrated and take every opportunity to encourage water breaks.
9. Uphold USPC Substances and Weapons Policy which prohibits the inappropriate or illegal use of any substance, including but not limited to drugs or alcohol, by anyone participating in any manner. Weapons of any kind are forbidden. Refer to About/About the Organization/By-Laws, Policies and Resolutions on [www.ponyclub.org](http://www.ponyclub.org) for the full policy statement.
10. Remember that administration of medications is the sole responsibility of the parent/guardian.

I have read and understand the duties of a chaperone as listed above.

Chaperone for the following team or individual(s)

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Name of Chaperone

Cell Phone Number

Signature

Date

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### Appendix III Emergency Contact Form

*for USPC Members Above the Age of Majority*

The age of majority is the threshold of adulthood in law. As USPC members above the age of majority are adults in the eyes of the law and therefore responsible for themselves; USPC does not require a “chaperone” for these members at competitions. USPC does require that members above the age of majority submit Emergency Contact information for each competition. Age of majority varies per state.

USPC Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Age: \_\_\_\_\_ State of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Competition Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Competition Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Relationship to Competitor: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*An additional Emergency Contact can be included, but is not required.*

Secondary Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary Emergency Contact Relationship to Competitor: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary Emergency Contact Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary Emergency Contact Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

