

## **ATTACHMENT C TO POLICY 0800**

### **Heat Illness**

USPC is dedicated to maintaining high safety standards for our members. USPC believes that ongoing education for our volunteers and members is needed about the potential risks associated with heat illness.

The USPC Board of Governors are fully committed to safeguarding the welfare of its Members and Volunteers and will take steps to adopt safe practices that promote the health and welfare of its Members and Volunteers.

#### **A. Heat Illness**

- 1.* USPC will develop educational modules and other pertinent information, based on materials produced by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to inform and educate members and their parents or legal guardians of the nature and risk of heat illness.
- 2.* 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.
- 3.* Instructors, parents, and active members who are instructing and other volunteers will be directed to complete the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) heat illness training module.

#### **B. Return To Play**

- 1.* A Member believed by a leader, coach, parent or official of a USPC unmounted or mounted activity or competition to be suffering from heat illness shall be removed from play at that time and given appropriate treatment before being allowed to return to play.
- 2.* Heat indices such as those outlined in the Heat Index, Uniform Officiation Rules, Appendix A of the USPC Horse Management Handbook and Rules for Rallies shall be considered when deciding the status of play for all USPC activities.