Rally Ready for 2020!

Information and Resources for Running Rallies and Festival Championships
Information for all Rallies
Types of Rallies

**Standard Rally**
Standard rallies are always the preferred. These rallies specifically follow all the rules outlined in the discipline rulebooks including utilizing a chief horse management judge from the approved CHMJ list on the USPC website, and any other specified licensed officials. Certain divisions of Championships require the member attend a standard rally, and attendance at a standard rally and meeting minimum eligibility requirements guarantees a member’s ability to attend Championships.

**Modified Rally**
Modified rallies do not specifically follow the discipline rulebooks and generally occur because of limited resources. While attendance of a modified rally makes some members eligible for the modified divisions of Championships, it does not meet the minimum eligibility requirements for other divisions.
Divisions

Junior Divisions
17 year and younger

Senior Divisions
18 year and older

Divisions may still be combined by rally organizers according to the number of entrants. If divisions are split by age, Juniors may continue to compete up as in the past, but Seniors may not compete down.

Note: Combining Junior and Senior teams into one division is not the same as combining Junior and Senior members onto one team. That requires the approval of the Junior competitor, their parent and DC/CA.

Games, Quiz and Tetrathlon break divisions into smaller age groups.
Will my child ever have to be on a team with an adult?
No, members under 18 years old may not be placed on a team with an adult without parent, member and DC/CA/RS approval.

Do Junior and Senior divisions have to be combined? It doesn’t seem fair to have adults compete against kids.
No, the organizer has the ability to combine or keep divisions separate. There is no minimum number of teams to make a division. There is no rule that a team must compete against other teams. (except Games and Polocrosse)
Rally Organizing Support
Organizers Guide
Available spring of 2020

Information included:
• Organizing Committee and Officials
• Job Descriptions
• Sample Budget
• Team Formation
• Organizing Divisions
• Facility Requirements

• Competition Scheduling
• Organizing Timelines
• Required Forms
• Competition Format
• Discipline Specific Equipment

And More……
Online Resources

On the USPC website:

- Rally Organizer’s Guides by Section
- Rally Insurance
- Rally Personnel Resources
- Competition Forms
- Discipline Specific Resources
- Rally Scoring Options – Hardcopy, Excel and Online
- Electronic TD Report
- Loaned Rally Equipment
National Committee Support

**National Discipline Committees:**
The national discipline committees are available for consultation to provide support and guidance when planning your rally. They are a great resource for questions about organizing, finding officials in their discipline and for explaining scoring among many other aspects of running a rally.

You can find their contact information in the online annual directory and the rally organizer’s page on the website.
USPC
Festival Championships
Path to Championships
Championship Eligibility

Regional Rally Requirement
Each individual Pony Club member who desires to compete at Championships must compete in a regional rally and be judged at the minimum HM level and same competition level in which they intend to compete at Championships. This constitutes the “individual eligibility” of the competitor.

Age and Certification Requirement
To be eligible for Championships, competitors must meet the age parameters and minimum certifications for the offered Championships divisions. There are no age or certification exceptions to the below requirements.

**Championships Divisions:**
- Must be 12 years old by Jan. 1, 2020
- Mounted – C1 Riding
- Unmounted – D3 HM

**Modified Championships Divisions:**
- Must be 10 years old by Jan. 1, 2020
- Mounted – D2 Riding
- Unmounted - D2 HM

Discipline Specific Requirements
Each discipline has additional minimum competition requirements for members to become eligible for Championships. The minimum requirements are different for eligibility into standard or modified divisions.
Championship Eligibility

Alternative Competition Eligibility
Currently Eventing and Polocrosse both offer an alternative path for eligibility for members in regions that do not hold that discipline rally. Details are available in their rulebooks. For Eventing, in order for an event to be considered ‘comparable’ the RS must submit the appropriate request form before the competition occurs.

Competition Exception Request
Exceptions to the competition eligibility parameters are occasionally granted on a case by case basis. There are no exceptions to minimum age and certification requirements. The link to the online form and exception request process are outlined on the Championships Competition Information page of the USPC website. All requests for exceptions must come from the RS/VRS using the online application. Granting of requests are not guaranteed.
Championship Eligibility

Mount Substitution

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 regional supervisor 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.
Registering for Championships
Member Responsibility

Notify the Region of the Intent to Attend Championships
Pony Club members who desire to participate in Championships must let their regional leadership know so the region can plan appropriate rallies and divisions.

Age and Certification Requirement
Members must meet the minimum age requirements for their selected divisions and must compete at and have the minimum certification requirements.

*** Competitors must compete 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.

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Member Responsibility

Notify the Region of the Intent to Attend Championships
After the RS marks a member eligible, the member needs to login the website and register themselves on the Championship page.

For any discipline that requires hardcopy paperwork, the member is responsible for sending that information to the discipline secretary.

The member is responsible for responding to all emails from the discipline secretary requesting for additional information.

Assign volunteer
Each member must input one volunteer with their entry.

Coach
If applicable, the member will enter the coach they will be using.
RS Responsibility

Marking Eligibility of Competitors
Following rally competition, RSs should mark any member who met competition eligibility in the data base.

Team Formation
After competitors have registered for Championships RSs should go back into the data base and form their region’s team as completely as possible before the discipline secretary get the information. This can be started anytime after the competitor registers, but must be done within 48 hrs after closing date. If not done in the time frame, the discipline secretary will be placing any members not assigned to a team into open slots.

Assign Coaches and Chaperones
When the RS forms the teams, they need to assign coaches and chaperones at that time.
Coaches and Chaperones

Coaches
Coaches need to fill out required coaches forms and associated fee per discipline. They need to look for and respond to emails that will be sent from USPC and from the discipline secretary.

Chaperones
Chaperones need to look for and respond to emails that will be sent from USPC and fill out the online form.
Where to find Information
To find information specific to Championships:
1. Go to Events
2. Go to Championships
Then click on Competition Information
# Championships Competition Information

**Competitor Information**
- USPF Activities Changes for 2019
- Championships Eligibility Criteria (2019)
- Regional, Rally Divisions (2019)
- 2019 Competitor Athlete Information
- Exceptions
  - Procedure to Request
  - Request Form: Eventing
  - Request Form: Dressage, Games, Pattocross, Show Jumping
  - Request Form: Quiz
  - Request Form: Tetherball
- Eventing Affilidavit
- USEA Horse Trial Entry Form
- Uniform Affiliation Rule for Entries

**General Information**
- Medical Armband Info
- Medical Armband - Card
- Medical Bracelets
- USEF Drug Testing
- Coaching Guidelines & Forms
  - Dressage
  - Eventing
  - Games
  - Show Jumping
  - Tetherball
- Chaperone Duties Form
- Emergency Contact Form
- Volunteer Expense Form available at the event

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**Arrival Info: Horses & Stalls**
- Championships General Event Info
- Stabling Assignments
- Venue Map

**Text Alerts**

Receive notices throughout Championships, including schedule updates and change and weather information. Text the appropriate discipline keywords to 81010. (Please note that regular text message fees apply; to opt out, reply with "STOP" @keyword for help, reply with "HELP" @keyword.)

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Then click on Guidebook to Championships
**CHAMPIONSHIPS EAST**

**Food and Concession**
- On the Rocks
- Real Simple Food & Spirits
- Campfire Smokehouse

**Camping**
- Call 800-511-7088 for information on campsites where you will need to book on the website.

**Hotels**
- DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Buffalo - Amherst
- Holiday Inn Express & Suites Buffalo-Airport
- Best Western Plus Inn of the Thousand Falls
- Comfort Inn & Suites
- Quality Inn & Suites

**Things to Do**
- Discover Rochester
- Visit Niagara Falls

**Accommodations and Things to Do**

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**TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

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**JULY 25**
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DRESSAGE OFFICIALS

Judges: [Insert list of judges]. The judging panel will consist of at least [insert number] judges. The final decision of the judges will be final. Additional information on judging panels and procedures can be found on our website.

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2020 Annual Discipline Newsletters
2020 Horse Management Handbook
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2020 Championships Guidebook
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See you all at Festival Championships in Kentucky!!