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USPC CORE VALUES

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

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

Respect for the horse and self through horsemanship; for land through land conservation; and for others through service and teamwork.

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

Education at an individual pace to achieve personal goals and expand knowledge through teaching others.

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- Multiple forms of membership
- Fully enabled by technology
- Marketed to multiple audiences
- Recognized and recognizable nationwide as the leader in Horse Management education
- Trained and capable volunteers

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*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.*

Reminder: This is a new Rulebook for 2015. 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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- USPC Uniform Officiation Procedures
- Uniform Chaperone Rules/Duties
- USPC Policy 0500 – Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco
- USPC Policy 0525 – Veterinary Medicines and Equine Medications
- USPC Rallies Technical Delegate's Evaluation and Report

Introduction

History

Tetrathlon is a sport requiring skill and physical endurance. It includes four events: riding a mount over a course of obstacles, shooting an air pistol, running cross country and swimming.

It derives from the Modern Pentathlon originated by Baron Pierre de Coubertin, the father of the Modern Olympic games, during the first decade of the 20th century. In designing the Modern Pentathlon, de Coubertin incorporated the traditions of the classical Greek Pentathlon, one of the oldest sporting events of the Greek Olympics dating back to 708 BC, and modernized the events, hence the name. The five events de Coubertin selected for the Modern Pentathlon were those he considered to be most representative of the skills necessary for a military courier of Napoleonic France to carry out his duties: *riding a strange mount, fencing with epee, pistol shooting, swimming, and cross-country running.*

The rules for the Tetrathlon which follow are based on the rules used by the Union International de Pentathlon Modern for all Modern Pentathlon competitions, with the exception of the fencing event, which, because of its complexity, is excluded from the Tetrathlon. Ref. <http://www.pentathlon.org>

The United States Pony Club Tetrathlon consists of the following elements:

- Riding:** Shall be a Show Jumping competition.
- Swimming:** Shall be a swim of predetermined length with points awarded depending on the time for completion.
- Running:** Shall be a cross-country run of predetermined length with points awarded depending on the time for completion.
- Shooting:** Shall be a slow fire for Novices, Intermediates, Juniors and Seniors using a 4.5mm (0.177) caliber compressed air or CO₂ pistols fired at a standing target from a distance of 10 meters.

The Tetrathlon is scored in a manner similar to the Modern Pentathlon. Points are awarded in each event with the overall winner scoring the highest total for four events. The maximum score which can be earned in any phase of the Rally is 1100 points. Hence 4400 points is a perfect score.

It is important that competitors in Tetrathlon strike a balance between the skill events, riding and shooting, and the physical endurance events, running and swimming. Rules for the Tetrathlon differ in some respects from the established rules for the separate sports. Rule differences, as well as the objectives of the Tetrathlon, should be clearly understood by those who train and coach Pony Club Tetrathletes. Regional Organizers are encouraged to contact the Tetrathlon committee for help in organizing clinics and competitions via the USPC Tetrathlon discipline Web site ([http://tetrathlon.pony-](http://tetrathlon.pony-club.org)

[club.org](http://tetrathlon.pony-club.org)). Local Clubs and Centers are encouraged to contact their Regional Tetrathlon Organizer for more information.

Tetrathlon as a Pony Club competition originated in England and was introduced to the USPC in 1972 when Lt. Col. Patrick Langford, then Chairman of the British Pony Club, was a guest at the USPC's Annual Meeting in New York. A number of District Commissioners and Regional Supervisors in attendance felt the idea had merit. As a result Tetrathlon programs, originally viewed as added incentive for boys to join Pony Club, began to appear across the country.

The first USPC Tetrathlon Championship was held in 1974 at the Modern Pentathlon Center at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. From 1975 through the early 80s, Tetrathlon competitions were held at the Kent School in Connecticut. As the numbers increased and girls' teams were added, the Rally was moved around the country, often in conjunction with USPC National Championships. Tetrathlon is now an established discipline offered at the USPC Championships.

One of the special highlights of the Tetrathlon program is an International Exchange and competition involving teams from the United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, and the United States. This series began when a team of USPC Senior boys was invited to compete in England in the late 70s. Competition for girls was added when USPC and The Canadian Pony Club hosted the exchange in 1980. The exchange takes place every other year and is alternately hosted by the United Kingdom and Ireland every fourth year and by the US and Canada every fourth year.

USPC Tetrathlon provides a challenging competition requiring sound, practical horsemanship and general athletic ability. It encourages Pony Club members to broaden their interest in riding, condition their own bodies, and become multi-sport athletes. Current USPC graduate Tetrathletes frequently continue on in a multi-sport environment by participating in Modern Pentathlon, which may ultimately provide a pathway to the Olympic Games. Regions are encouraged to organize and run multiple qualifying Regional and Inter-Regional Rallies as USPC is the only avenue for competition in this multi-discipline sport.

USPC Policies and Guidelines

Governing Rules

This Rulebook is NOT a general guideline, but is a precise specification of rules that must be followed. Rallies are to be governed by these specific rules as well as the following:

- *USPC Horse Management Handbook and Rules for Rallies* (current edition)
- Official Amendments & Clarifications from USPC.
- USEF Rulebook (current edition). However, since USPC does not always follow USEF rules, where there is a disparity between Rulebooks, this Rulebook will be followed.

Since these Rules cannot provide for every eventuality (unforeseen or exceptional circumstance), it is the obligation of the Ground Jury to make decisions in a sporting spirit and to follow as closely as possible the intention of these Rules.

Additional governing documents for all Rallies are the following:

- USPC Horse Management Handbook and Rules for Rallies (current edition)
- Official Amendments & Clarifications from USPC.
- USEF Rulebook (current edition). However, since USPC does not always follow USEF rules, where there is a disparity between Rulebooks, this Rulebook will be followed.

Since Rules cannot provide for every eventuality (unforeseen or exceptional circumstance), it is the obligation of the Ground Jury to make decisions in a sporting spirit and to follow as closely as possible the intention of these Rules. If there is an inconsistency, the Discipline Rulebook takes precedence over the Horse Management Handbook.

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Responsibility

A competitor is ultimately responsible for knowing these rules and complying with them. The appointment of a steward or official, whether or not provided for in these rules, does not absolve the competitor from such responsibility.

Code of Conduct

USPC is proud of its reputation for good sportsmanship, horsemanship, teamwork and well-behaved Members. The USPC and the Organizers and Officials of USPC activities/competitions expect appropriate behavior from all competitors, parent(s) and others participating in any USPC activity/competition.

Inappropriate behavior is, but not limited to:

- Possession, use, or distribution of any illegal drugs or alcohol
- Assault
- Profanity, vulgar language or gestures
- Harassment – using words or actions that intimidate, threaten or persecute others
- Cheating
- Abusing a horse

Any USPC Member or parent not conforming to the Code of Conduct is subject to the following action: The Officials of the competition may immediately suspend or expel an individual from the competition upon consulting with the Ground Jury

Mounts

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.
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. Mounts must be at least five (5) years of age in order to participate in USPC competitive activities. In establishing the age of mounts, the first year is considered to be January 1 following the date of foaling.

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, Region and USPC and when available participate in one or more of the following:

1. They show evidence of sincere interest in the activities of Pony Club at the local, regional or national level.
2. They assist younger members in the learning process.
3. They participate in Pony Club activities at the local, regional, or national level when and where appropriate, according to age, experience, and suitability of mount.

Cruelty to and Abuse of a Horse

1. Cruelty to or the abuse of a horse by any person at a Licensed Competition is forbidden, constitutes a violation, and renders the offender subject to penalty. The Show Committee must bar violators from further participation for the remainder of the competition. It is the duty of the competition officials and any properly constituted humane organization to report to the Federation any person who indulges in this practice for such further action as may be deemed appropriate.
2. The USPC or the Judge, Steward, or TD may appoint a veterinarian to inspect any animal in competition. Refusal

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to submit an animal for examination by an authorized veterinarian after due notification shall constitute a violation.

3. The following acts are included under the words Cruelty and Abuse but are not limited thereto:
 - a. Excessive use of a whip on any horse in a stall, runway, schooling area, competition ring or elsewhere on the competition grounds, before or during a competition, by any person. Except in emergency situations, any striking of the horse's head (on the poll and forward of the poll) with the whip shall be deemed excessive.
 - b. Rapping the legs of a horse with the butt end of a riding crop or other implement.
 - c. Use of any substance to induce temporary heat.
 - d. Manual poling with any object other than a bamboo pole.
 - e. Use of a wire or chain in conjunction with any schooling jump.
 - f. Use of electric device in schooling or showing.
 - g. Use of shackles, hock hobbles and similar devices (not to be construed as rubber or elastic exercising devices).
 - h. Showing a horse with raw or bleeding sores around the coronets, pasterns or legs.
 - i. Use of any explosive (e.g., fire crackers, torpedoes, fire extinguishers except in case of fire, etc.) or laser beam devices anywhere on the competition grounds, except in an exhibition or if required in class specifications.
 - j. Withholding of feed and water for prolonged periods.
 - k. Letting blood from a horse for other than diagnostic purposes.
 - l. Inhumane treatment of a horse in a stall, runway, schooling area, competition ring or elsewhere on the competition grounds, by any person.
 - m. Use of any object that prevents the horse's ability to close his mouth. (Exception: use of an oral speculum by a veterinarian or equine dentist to provide legitimate dental/oral medical care.)
5. Any action(s) against a horse by a competitor or an exhibitor, which are deemed excessive by a judge, Federation 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 Show Committee. Such action(s) could include, but are not limited to excessive use of the whip, spurs, or bamboo poles. Competitors and exhibitors have the right to contest any action taken pursuant to GR839.5 by filing a protest or grievance pursuant to Chapter 6 of the Rules for hearing and determination by the Hearing Committee.

Protective Headgear

USPC requires members participating in mounted 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), BS-EN 1384 (UK), AS/NZ 3838 (Australia and NZ), PAS 015 (UK). (See USPC Policy 0125A)

Medical Armbands and Bracelets

USPC requires that members participating in any USPC affiliated mounted or un-mounted activity, must wear either a Medical Armband or Medical Bracelet while participating in the activity. The member may choose which one to wear.

1. Medical Armbands must include a current completed copy of the individual's USPC Medical Release. It must be worn on the upper arm. If the member has small arms, he/she may safety pin the armband to his/her upper sleeve. (Armbands are available for purchase from Shop Pony Club.)
2. Medical Bracelets must visibly list these five items on them: Name and Date of Birth, Contact Information, Known Allergies, Current Medications, and Existing Medical Conditions. More information is acceptable, but these five items are required to be on the bracelet.

All officials on site at the USPC mounted or un-mounted activity are encouraged to work with the competitors to remind them of this requirement.

Any member at a USPC affiliated mounted or un-mounted 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.

Section I: General Regulations

Chapter 1: General Rules

A Tetrathlon competition may be held at the local, Regional, Inter-Regional, National, or International level. National Championships may be held annually and will be designated the Tetrathlon Championship. In years that there are multiple USPC Championships there may be multiple Tetrathlon Championships. Tetrathlon Rallies are organized on the basis of the competitor age. These rules will apply at all USPC local, Regional and National Tetrathlon Rallies. Rallies which qualify competitors for National Championships must be conducted in accordance with these rules and meet all USPC Tetrathlon Committee requirements.

Article 1 – Eligibility of Competitor

1. In order to participate in any Tetrathlon Rally, all local, Regional and National dues must be paid for the current year and a competitor must be a member in good standing of his/her local club/center.
2. Age of the member on January 1st shall be maintained throughout the Rally year.
3. The District Commissioner/Center Administrator must certify the eligibility of the competitor and mount at all Rallies.

Article 2 – Eligibility of Mount

1. Competitors are expected to provide their own mounts. The mount may be owned, borrowed, leased, loaned or rented.
2. The mount used in a qualifying Rally need not be the same one used for Championships.
3. Mounts will be 5 years old or older. NO STALLIONS.
4. When circumstances make it necessary, mounts may be shared by up to three competitors. The Organizer will stipulate any conditions or restrictions pertaining to shared mounts well in advance of the Rally. No mount may be used in more than three rounds per day.
5. All mounts must be treated with consideration. If a competitor mistreats a mount in a manner considered to be an act of cruelty, the competitor will be disqualified. The Riding Phase Steward, aided by the Ring Steward, the riding judge and Horse Management officials, will be responsible for assuring that mounts are properly treated.

See Mounts, Section II, Chapter 1, Riding Phase Article 32.

Article 3 – Organization of Rally for Individual and Team Competition

1. Local, Regional and Inter-Regional Rallies shall consist of an individual Rally and/or a team Rally at the Organizer's option. Team competition is to be encouraged.
2. National Rallies will consist of an individual competition and a team competition.
3. In an individual competition, competitors form teams, but are judged on an individual basis, with the exception of certain shared Horse Management scores. Competitors select a division to enter provided by the Rally Organizer. Typically, the Organizer will offer the qualifying divisions (Novice, Intermediate, Junior, and Senior), as well as several non-qualifying divisions at the discretion of the Organizer. Ribbons are awarded based upon divisions (e.g. first through sixth place among novices) as well as Horse Management awards and others approved by the Organizer.

Article 4 – Team Specifications

1. During local, Regional, Inter-Regional and National Rallies, a team shall consist of three or four riding members, any one of whom may be designated Captain from one club/center or region.
 - A. If a region doesn't have enough competitors to form a team, regions will be combined to form teams.
 - B. In scoring, the top three total individual scores within a team will be combined to determine the team awards.
 - C. All individuals will be competing for individual awards as well as team awards.
2. Competitors at different levels may be combined to form teams overall or in any phase.
3. Teams will have one official Chaperone appointed and may have Coaches. Different phase Coaches are permitted.
4. During International competitions, a team in the two Senior divisions shall consist of up to five individuals from the same country, division (i.e. Sr. Boys or Sr. Girls)

Article 5: Chaperones

1. There will be one, and only one, official Chaperone per team.
2. Chaperones are to assume responsibility throughout the Rally for their competitors.
3. Chaperones are subject to the rules of the Rally and must sign a Chaperone form.

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Article 6: Coaches

1. Shooting Phase – Coaching is permitted during the firing of the sighting shots. Competitors may be assisted by a loader during the shoot but shall receive no instruction, verbal or otherwise, from the loader.
2. Swimming Phase – Coaches are permitted to advise competitors during the warm-up period prior to the swim. They are not permitted to walk or run on the side of the pool or deck in such a way that it appears they are blatantly attempting to pace the competitor. Swimmers are responsible for counting their own laps. Cheering or encouraging the competitor by Coaches, spectators, and parents (including calling their name) from the stands or from the pool deck is both recommended and encouraged.
3. Running Phase – Coaches are permitted to walk the course with the competitors and advise the competitors during the walk and in the warm-up area. Coaches are not allowed to provide split times. Coaches may not pace the competitor or provide verbal assistance of any kind. However, cheering and encouraging the competitor by Coaches, spectators, and parents (including calling their name) from the sidelines or any spot that they allowed to be by the Organizer is both recommended and encouraged.
4. Riding Phase – Coaches are permitted to walk courses and advise competitors in the warm-up area and during a short after-ride debriefing only.

See Guidelines for Coaching the Riding Phase of Tetrathlon, Appendix III.

Article 7 – Age Divisions & Certifications *(see also Appendix VII and refer to individual phase rules for competition specifications)*

1. Tetrathlon Rallies shall be organized on the basis of competitor's age on January 1st.
2. There shall be four levels of competition offered to boys and girls at Championships and any other national competitions:
 - A. Senior – 16 years and older and must be a C-1 Trad/HSE or above. *International competitors will follow all Senior rules.*
 - 1) The length of the run shall be 3000 meters.
 - 2) The length of the swim shall be 200 yards/meters.
 - 3) The jumping height will be maximum of 3'7"
 - 4) The shoot will be 20 shots. Competitors must be standing and shoot one-handed.
 - B. Junior – 13-16 years and must be a D-3 Trad/HSE or above.
 - 1) The length of the run shall be 2000 meters.
 - 2) The length of the swim shall be 200 yards/meters.
 - 3) The jumping height will be maximum of 3'3"
 - 4) The shoot will be 20 shots. Competitors must be standing and shoot one-handed.
 - C. Intermediate – 13 years and above and must be a D-3 Trad/HSE or above.

Competitors in the Intermediate divisions are not eligible for overall competition high score awards except Horse Management.

 - 1) The length of the run shall be 1000 meters.
 - 2) The length of the swim shall be 100 yards/meters.
 - 3) The jumping height will be maximum of 2'9"
 - 4) The shoot will be 20 shots. Competitors must be standing and shoot one-handed.
 - D. Novice – 11-12 years and must be a D-3 Trad/HSE or above.
 - 1) The length of the run shall be 1000 meters.
 - 2) The length of the swim shall be 100 yards/meters.
 - 3) The jumping height will be maximum of 2'9"
 - 4) The shoot will be 20 shots. Competitors must be standing and may shoot with two hands.
3. Three additional levels, Pre-Novice, 10-and-Under and 8-and-Under, may be offered at local, Regional and Inter-Regional level if there is sufficient interest to warrant them. These divisions are designed and offered to encourage young Pony Club members to try Tetrathlon. ***These levels are presented only as a guide and may be tailored by the Organizer for the Rally.***
 - A. Pre-Novice – 13 years and under and must be a D-1 or above.
 - 1) The length of the run shall be 500 meters.
 - 2) The length of the swim shall be 50 yards/meters.
 - 3) The jumping height will be lower (2'3" maximum).
 - 4) The shoot will be 20 shots. Competitors must be standing and may shoot with two hands.
 - B. 10-and-Under – 10 years and under and must be a D-1 or above
 - 1) Length of run shall be 500 meters.
 - 2) Length of swim shall be 50 yards/meters.
 - 3) Jump height shall be 18" maximum.
 - 4) The shooting will be 10 shots. The competitor may be supported and may shoot with two hands.(See Shooting Rules, Chapter 4.)
 - C. 8-and-Under – 8 years and under, and a D-1, or un-rated.
 - 1) The length of the run shall be 500 meters.
 - 2) The length of the swim shall be 25 yards/meters.

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3) The jumps appropriate (cross rails or poles in an enclosed arena that require steering).

4) The shooting will be 10 shots. The competitor may be supported and may shoot with two hands.

(See Shooting Rules, Chapter 4.)

Article 8 – Championships Qualifications

1. To compete at the National Championship a competitor must have competed at a Regional or Inter-Regional Qualifying Rally in the Novice, Intermediate, Junior, or Senior Division. With the endorsement of the DC/CA and RS and the Tetrathlon Committee, any A/H-A/B/C-3 Trad/HSE certified competitors who request it are invited to participate at Championships without attending a qualifying Rally. Any other exceptions to this rule must be approved by the Tetrathlon Committee and the Vice President of Activities.
2. With the permission of his/her own RS, a competitor may qualify outside his/her own region to compete at the National Championships. However, Regional Supervisors are encouraged to organize and support a circuit of Inter-Regional qualifying Rallies and to allow their Tetrathletes to qualify outside of their respective regions.
3. To compete at Championships, a competitor must be at least 11 years old as of January 1 of the Rally year and of the appropriate certification for the division.
4. At Championships, the competitor must ride at the level he/she rode at his/her Regional qualifying Rally. The competitor who rides down at the Regional Qualifying Rally must take the 200 point penalty and ride down at Championships. Only Juniors and Seniors may ride down a level.
5. To compete at Championships, Senior and Junior competitors must compete in all four phases of a qualifying rally and attain a total score for the four phases and Horse Management of not less than 2400 points. Intermediate and Novice competitors must compete in all four phases of a Qualifying Rally and attain a total score for the four phases and Horse Management of not less than 2200 points. The secretary of the Qualifying Rally must certify this score. The Tetrathlon Committee will review this number annually. A competitor will not qualify for Championships if eliminated or disqualified in any phase of the competition, or if he/she receives a score of less than 550 in the riding phase.
6. To compete at Championships, the competitor's DC/CA and RS must approve that the competitor's riding skill is suitable for his/her level.
7. At Championships, the Organizer will determine the number of competitors that Regions may send.

Article 9 – International Qualifications

In order to be eligible for selection to a team that will participate in International competitions either within or outside the United States:

1. Competitors must have been active Pony Club members in the year prior to application.
2. Competitors must be at least 16 years old and not more than 21 as of January 1 of the current year.
3. Competitors must have a certification of at least C-3 Trad/HSE by the date of the application.
4. The competitor must be actively competing in Tetrathlon, or other USPC disciplines, and be an active member in good standing in his/her region.
5. When the USPC is hosting an International Exchange and additional teams are entered, teams two and beyond will be filled in order of score by those who tried out for but did not make the first team. Those meeting International level qualifying standards of age 16 and older on January 1 of the exchange year and a certification of C-1 Trad/HSE or higher by the application deadline will fill remaining open slots on additional teams entered. Teams two and beyond will be designated "National" teams. They will participate fully with the International Teams in Exchange Rally competitions and will be eligible for all team and individual awards. *See Appendix II.*

Article 10 – Competitor Behavior

1. Rudeness or unruly behavior, at any time during the Rally, may be penalized by subtracting 25 points from the total score for each offense.
2. Extreme cases of unruly behavior and/or rudeness may result in a maximum penalty (a zero score) being assessed during a phase, or even disqualification from the Rally.

Article 11 – Human Use of Drugs and Alcohol

1. The USPC emphatically forbids the use or possession of alcohol or controlled substances by participants, competitors, Coaches, or Chaperones in all types of USPC sponsored or approved activities, including club/center, Regional, Inter-Regional, National and International competition Rallies; except when the controlled substance is prescribed for medical reasons.
2. Any competitor bringing prescribed medication to an activity or Rally must notify the Chaperone and the Organizer.
3. A notation must be on the medical card/bracelet that a prescription medication is being used.

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4. This policy applies for the duration of the Pony Club activity. Duration of a Pony Club activity is defined in USPC Policy 0500 as being "A period of time beginning with the official opening of the activity and ending with the official closing of the activity." *See Uniform Officiation Rules.*

Article 12 – Use of Equine Drugs and Medications

1. Medication is defined as any substance that is not plain water, salt, or electrolytes and not considered a normal foodstuff. Any other substance given to a mount at Rally, via stomach tube or applied to the skin surface is considered medication. Anything that is administered by injection is a medication.
2. Medication must be administered only following the guidelines in the current HM Handbook. If medication is administered during the activity, the person responsible for the mount, or his/her agent, must be responsible for administration of said medication.
3. Any mount requiring medication prescribed by another veterinarian must be accompanied by an explanatory letter, including diagnosis and dosage, which will be presented to the Chief Horse Management Judge or the Rally's official veterinarian upon arrival and posted on the mount's stall card. This information shall then be made available to the Rally veterinarian. *See HM Handbook Appendix C.*
4. If, during the course of the activity, it becomes necessary to administer a tranquilizer, stimulant, or depressant, (e.g., for suturing), the mount may not be ridden while under the influence. *See Uniform Officiation Rules.*

Article 13 – Dress

1. Dress in all phases shall be appropriate for the sport and weather conditions.
2. Numbers shall be worn during Horse Management and for all phases, except swimming. Nametags (if used) will show the competitor's name, number, and certification. The back should show the name of the Chaperone.

3. Shirts or singlets must be worn for the run. Spikes or cleats are permitted.

4. Dress for the Riding Phase shall consist of a shirt with a collar and sleeves, and either breeches or jodhpurs. USPC requires members participating in mounted 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), BS-EN 1384 (UK), AS/NZ 3838 (Australia and NZ), PAS 015 UK). (See USPC Policy 0125A). Boots: tall black or brown dress or field boots, or jodhpur/paddock boots with or without a matching full-grain smooth leather half-chaps or leggings, are allowed. This attire shall be the minimum deemed appropriate whenever the competitor is mounted.

5. Footwear that meets USPC Horse Management standards must be worn at all times in the stable area.

6. Swimming attire shall be **of one piece** and in good taste and suitable for the event. Transparent swim suits are not permitted.

7. Medical Armbands and Bracelets:

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. (See USPC Policies and Guidelines for more information).

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Article 14 – Order of Events

The order in which the four phases are run will be left to the discretion of the Organizer and will depend upon local conditions and circumstances. However, it is suggested that the endurance phases, running and swimming, be held on separate days when the Rally lasts more than one day.

Article 15 – Prize List and Schedule

A prize list should be sent out by the Organizing Committee, which includes but is not limited to:

1. The dimensions and the nature of the riding area.
2. A tentative schedule stating the earliest arrival hour and the official briefing time.
3. Location and directions to the Rally.
4. Time courses are open.
5. Food availability.

Article 16 – Horse Management

1. All USPC Horse Management standards as set forth in the current *USPC Horse Management Handbook and Rules for Rallies* will be strictly followed, including first set-up and safety, turnout inspection to the rider's certification level, required equipment, daily sheets, turn back sheets, and a safety check. Attire for the turnout inspection is detailed in Article 51 (Dress for the Riding Phase).
2. Horse Management at Rally will be judged on observance of sound, safe practices in securing, handling, grooming, tacking, riding, cooling out, feeding and watering, and extended care of their mounts by competitors.
3. Workmanlike methods, arrangements, and reasonable common sense in the existing conditions is the goal at Tetrathlon Rallies.
4. All riders using the same mount will be present at the first scheduled turnout inspection time for the mount. If tack is removed or changed between riders, the mount must be returned to Horse Management for a "safety check."
5. Stall cards must be posted.
6. When judging Horse Management, Tetrathlon Rallies may be considered One-Day Rallies. The Rally prize list (or Gold Book) will state when the mounts are required to arrive and when they may depart. The overall schedule will declare the beginning and ending of the Riding Phase (i.e., the judging of Horse Management).
7. Competitors with mounts on grounds outside of the days and times scheduled for the Riding Phase must adhere to all USPC Horse Management rules, practices and policies. Dereliction may result in further Horse Management penalties or disqualification from the Rally. The Ground

Jury, in consultation with the Horse Management judge(s), will make this determination.

See Scoring of Horse Management: Section II, Chapter 1, Riding Phase, Article 53.

Article 17 – Inquiries, Protests and Appeals

All inquiries, protests and appeals must be made in a polite and courteous manner. Abuse of the procedure or rude behavior may be penalized up to and including disqualification from the competition.

Inquiries

- Must be initiated within 30 minutes from the time the score sheet(s) are posted.
- Made in person by:
 - The Competitor involved (when competing as individuals).
 - The Team Captain, if Competitor is on a team (when competing as teams). The Competitor involved may go with the Team Captain.
- Made to the Phase Steward (if the Phase Steward is not available, competitors should record the inquiry with the Discipline/Show Secretary).
- If the Team Captain is riding when scores are posted and will not be available within the allowed 30 minute period, other team members must notify the Phase Steward that an inquiry is likely.

Protests

May be initiated if the Team Captain/Individual Competitor disagrees with the Phase Steward's decision on an inquiry. Protests are made to the TD.

Protests must:

- Be made in writing, using the official Protest/Appeal Form (signed by the Team Captain/Individual Competitor), containing the references to the rules covering the reason for the protest.
- Delivered within 30 minutes of the TD/Steward decision on the inquiry to the Discipline/Show Secretary.

The decision of the TD is final.

Appeals (at Championships only)

May be initiated if the Team Captain/Individual Competitor disagrees with the Ground Jury decision on a protest. Appeals are made to the Appeal Committee.

Appeals must:

- Include the written Protest/Appeal Form forwarded to the Appeal Committee.

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- Delivered to the Discipline Secretary within 30 minutes of the Ground Jury's decision on the protest.

Five (5) penalty points will be assessed to the Team/Competitor should the appeal fail or be considered frivolous. Successful appeals will not be assessed penalty points. The decision of the Appeal Committee is final.

Officials are to investigate and answer all inquiries and protests as soon as possible and make their answer back to the team/competitor in a timely fashion. It is understood that during a competition everyone is busy; however, this is an integral part of your duties as an official.

It is suggested that Discipline offices maintain an inquiry log book that contains the time, date, and contact information of competitor/team and an explanation of the inquiry. Officials will review the inquiry and post the date/time and result of the investigation. Officials should make every effort to find the competitor/team to deliver their answer in person as well as in the Inquiry Log Book.

Article 18 – Disqualification and Elimination

Attention is drawn to the difference between disqualification and elimination:

1. A competitor who is eliminated in a phase will receive a zero (0) score for that phase and will not be allowed to complete that phase. However, he or she is allowed to complete the other phases and receive a total score for the Rally.
2. Disqualification is a punishment for misconduct arising from a deliberate attempt to contravene the rules and regulations of the USPC Tetrathlon rulebook. Any person disqualified shall take no further part in any phases of the Rally, must leave the competition grounds, and forfeits any awards. Such person will not be allowed to compete at Championships.
3. The following cases may cause disqualification of a competitor and mount:
 - Poor sportsmanship
 - Cruelty
 - Unlawful use of drugs, medications, and/or alcohol
 - Rude behavior
 - Misuse of equine medications
 - Abuse of mount
 - Dangerous riding
 - Riding a lame, sick, or exhausted mount
 - Cheating
 - Failure to turn in air pistol upon arrival at the Rally or when designated by the Rally Organizer.
 - Unsafe handling of air pistol at any time

4. The Ground Jury may disqualify a competitor if, in its opinion, the competitor constitutes a hazard to the safety or well being of the competitor, mount, other competitors, their mounts, spectators or others.
5. Abusive use of whips, crops, spurs, or bits will result in disqualification at the discretion of the Ground Jury. The mount may not be struck more than three times per disobedience and may not be struck on the head or neck.

Article 19 – Safety

1. The Organizer should refer to the Uniform Officiation Procedures concerning EMT coverage.
2. At all venues there must be easily accessible directions and maps with the most expeditious route to the nearest hospital or emergency medical treatment center clearly marked.
3. Members must wear their USPC Medical Armband/Bracelet (please refer to the Medical Armbands and Bracelets Policy mentioned in USPC Policies and Guidelines) except when actually shooting or swimming. They must be placed next to the competitor when participating in these two phases.
4. There must be a currently certified lifeguard at the swim.
5. Water and cups must be available at all venues.
6. Heat index will indicate when the wearing of coats, hat covers, and neckwear MUST be waived. (See Heat Index Chart – Uniform Officiation).

Article 20 – Scoring

It is the responsibility of the Phase Steward to certify the correctness of scores before the scores are computed and posted. In the event of a dispute over results, questions should be directed to the Phase Steward and not the Scorer.

1. Each of the four phases is worth 1100, for a total of 4400 possible points.
2. Horse Management results are scored as penalty points.
 - A. In scoring Horse Management as penalty points, zero (0) is considered a perfect score.
 - C. Horse Management is scored as a penalty. The competitor may receive up to 100 HM points per day. The Horse Management points shall be multiplied by a factor of five (5) and the results will be subtracted from the total score of the four phases.

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Chapter 3 – Officiation

Article 21 – Organizer

1. The Organizer is the person responsible for the overall management of a Rally. If a committee or club/center is sponsoring a Rally, one individual should be designated as the Organizer. That individual is responsible for answering all questions about the management of the Rally.
2. The duties of the Organizer are detailed in the *Uniform Officiation Rules* and include: Responsibility for selecting the site for the Rally, establishing a table of entry fees, advertising the event and stating conditions of the Rally, appointing officials, locating accommodations for distant competitors, and assuring that all bills incurred by the Rally are paid.

Article 22 – Technical Delegate

1. The Organizer shall appoint a Technical Delegate. He or she will be a minimum of 25 years of age. He or she must be approved by the Tetrathlon Committee. He or she shall be present during the days of Rally, with no other jobs or duties to attend to during that time.
2. The duties of the TD are detailed in the *Uniform Officiation Rules* and include: to ensure that everything is conducted in accordance with current rules and that correct and accurate results are produced from each phase. He or she shall be responsible for inspecting courses, facilities, and arrangements before they are opened to competitors. This should be carried out in coordination with the Phase Stewards.
3. A list of Tetrathlon Committee Members and phone numbers will be made available to Technical Delegates to call during rallies to assist in interpretations of the rules.
4. The Technical Delegate is authorized to require alterations if, in his or her opinion, arrangements are in any way contrary to, or in conflict with, the rules; or would result in unfair, unsafe, or unsuitable competition.
5. Following each Rally, the TD should complete the TD Evaluation Report, found in Appendix IV, and send it to the USPC National Office, where it will be reviewed and copies sent to the Committee Chair and RS.

Article 23 – Ground Jury

1. The Ground Jury shall consist of the four Phase Stewards and the Chief Horse Management Judge, one of whom shall be the President. The Organizer should appoint three alternate Ground Jury members in the event a Phase Steward or Chief HM is unavailable or conflicted. The TD is the facilitator of the actions of the Ground Jury but does not have a vote except in the case of a tiebreaker

2. When acting on an appeal, the Ground Jury will solicit the opinion of the Phase Steward whose phase is involved. That Steward's vote will not be included in a decision. Ties will be broken by the TD.
3. The duties of the Ground Jury are detailed in the Uniform Officiation Rules.

Article 24 – Phase Stewards

1. The Organizer shall appoint a Phase Steward for each of the four phases of Rally.
2. The Phase Steward should be technically proficient, experienced, and understand Pony Club's objectives.
3. Each Steward shall be responsible for the overall organization of his/her phase.
4. Each Phase Steward shall deliver the score from his /her phase to the Chief Scorer. It is the Phase Steward's responsibility to certify the correctness of such lists before the scores are computed and posted. In the event of a dispute over results, questions should be directed to the Phase Steward and not the Scorer.

Article 25 – Judges and Timers

1. Judges, timers, and other officials shall be appointed by the Phase Stewards in coordination with the Organizer.
2. Parents may do these jobs but should not judge or time their own child.

Article 26 – Chief Scorer

1. The Organizer shall appoint a Chief Scorer who will be responsible for converting all results from the various phases, and for keeping records of cumulative results for all phases. The Chief Scorer may appoint assistants as necessary.
2. The Chief Scorer should not be involved in interpreting results. From each Phase Steward, the Chief Scorer should receive the following:
 - A. Shooting: A list of each competitor's score on each target, and the total for all four targets.
 - B. Swimming: a list of each competitor's time.
 - C. Running: a list of each competitor's time.
 - D. Riding: a list of faults for each competitor and a time for each competitor. It should be noted on the judge's card if a competitor rode a level or more below his/her competition level. Rally secretary should so indicate on the score sheet for the judge.

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E. Horse Management: A total of the competitor's Horse Management points, which will be multiplied by five (5) and subtracted from the total score.

Article 27 – Horse Management Judges

1. The Organizer and HMO shall appoint the Chief Horse Management (HM) Judge. If the Rally is a Qualifying Rally, a Chief must come from the current list of approved Chief Horse Management Judges, maintained at the USPC National Office. This list of approved CHMJ's is available on the USPC Web site.
2. The Organizer, with the help of the HMO, will recruit assistants as needed, depending upon the number of competitors.

3. All USPC Horse Management standards, as set forth in the *USPC Horse Management Handbook and Rules for Rallies* will be strictly followed, including first set-up and safety, turnout inspection to the rider's certification level, required equipment, daily sheets, turn back sheets, and a safety check. Attire for the turnout inspection is detailed in Article 51 (Dress for the Riding Phase).

Article 28 – Inspection Panel

1. The Inspection Panel will consist of the Chief Horse Management Judge, the Riding Phase Steward or the Riding Phase Judge, a veterinarian (if available) or another horse-knowledgeable person.
2. The Inspection Panel will officiate over the Horse Inspection procedure.

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Part 1 – Riding Phase Rules

Article 29: General

1. The riding phase of a Tetrathlon Rally is intended to demonstrate the competitor's judgment and ability as a horseman. The Rally will take the form of a Show Jumping competition.
(For further information on questions not addressed in this Chapter, refer to *USEF Rules for Show Jumping*.)
2. Reference shall be made to the General Rules covering the conduct of competitions as all rules contained apply to the riding phase.
3. A competitor must make valid attempts to negotiate each and every obstacle in the course. After three (3) attempts to jump an obstacle, resulting in three (3) refusals or run outs, the competitor must bypass that obstacle and proceed to the next without additional penalty. Failure to do so will result in elimination and a score of zero in that riding round.
4. At the Regional level, in order to encourage safe participation, a competitor riding Senior level or lower shall be allowed to ride a level or more below that in which he or she is competing (i.e., a Senior may ride over the Junior or Novice course). The penalty for doing so will be 200 points per level dropped, (i.e., a Senior can score a maximum of 900 points in the riding phase if he or she competes over the Junior course). The intention of riding at a lower level must be declared before the start of the phase. Seniors and Juniors who elect to jump at one level below their age/certification appropriate division at the Qualifying Rally are eligible to qualify for Championships if they have ridden down no more than one level and obtain a minimum score of 550.
5. If qualifying for Championships, the competitor must ride at the level for which he or she is qualifying at his/her Regional Rally, i.e. a Senior at the Senior level, and a Junior at the Junior level, Novice at Novice level. Only Juniors and Seniors may ride down one level and will take a 200-point penalty. If a competitor qualifies for Championships by riding down at the qualifier, that competitor must ride down at Championships as well.
6. The riding phase consists of Riding and Horse Management.
7. At the Regional and Championships level, in order for a competitor to better demonstrate his/her judgment and ability as a horseman, it is the option of the Organizer to ask for the riding phase to consist of two rides for all levels. Notification of this requirement will be published in the Gold Book for the year in which it will be required. Each ride will have a point value of 550 points with scoring, course design specifications, and penalties unchanged from the single ride format. If the two ride option is exercised, all penalty point values will be exactly one-half per

ride. The Gate and Slip Rail features will only be required in one of the rides. Rides will be on different days of the competition with no mount being allowed more than three rides per day. If a rider incurs an elimination penalty on the first riding round, he/she may still ride in the second round. At the option of the Organizer, the following formats may be followed:

- A. Slip Rail and Gate in both rounds
- B. Slip Rail in Round one and Gate in Round two or visa versa (only use one obstacle per round)
- C. Round two is a regular Show Jumping round with no Slip Rail and Gate
- D. Round two is a regular show jumping round with no Slip Rail and Gate and include a jump off if the round is clean.
- E. Either round one or round two may utilize the slip rail and gate in a fashion allowing the rider to exit and reenter the ring and proceed to negotiate a limited number of fixed cross country jumps.

Notice of which format will be followed shall be stated in the Rally briefing.

8. Unauthorized assistance will result in elimination of the rider and a zero score in that round. Unauthorized assistance specifically entails the following:

Coaches or others handing anything to a mounted competitor, including things that have been dropped, with the exception of spectacles. Exceptions: during the riding phase, water may be handed to a competitor at any time, mounted or unmounted. Should the rider's helmet come off, the competitor must dismount to re-secure it. A loose horse may be caught and returned to the rider.

Officials, staff or any other persons drawing the attention of a competitor to a deviation from a course, constitutes unauthorized assistance. Officials, staff and other persons may render assistance to an injured or sick competitor or to a horse in difficulty.

Article 30: Mounts

1. Competitors are expected to provide their own mounts. The mount may be owned, borrowed, leased, loaned or rented.
2. The mount used in a qualifying Rally need not be the same one used for Championships.
3. Mounts will be 5 years old or older. NO STALLIONS.
4. When circumstances make it necessary, mounts may be shared by up to three competitors. The Organizer will stipulate any conditions or restrictions pertaining to shared mounts well in advance of the Rally.

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5. All mounts must be treated with consideration. If a competitor mistreats a mount in a manner considered to be an act of cruelty, the competitor may be disqualified from the Rally. The Riding Phase Steward, aided by the Ring Steward, the riding judge and Horse Management officials, will be responsible for assuring that mounts are properly treated.
6. The Organizer may assist in finding a suitable mount, but ultimately it is the competitor's responsibility. Competitors must also keep Horse Management and the Organizer informed of all changes.
7. Other than in urgent cases, if a competitor is using a mount other than his/her own, the assignment of the mount and rider must be made prior to the competitor's briefing, and Horse Management on the mount and tack will begin at this briefing.

Article 31: Arenas

1. The dimensions and the nature of the riding area should be given in the invitation to the Rally.
2. The riding area perimeter should be well defined.
3. In cases where there is limited space for warm up, the number of mounts allowed to warm up at one time will be restricted. A minimum of 15 minutes will be allotted for warm up.
4. The Technical Delegate shall have the right to forbid competition if the proposed riding area is unsuitable or of insufficient size to conduct a Rally safely.
5. The Organizer shall provide a warm-up area including three fences: a vertical, an oxer, and a cross rail. Fences in the warm-up arena shall be marked with red and white flags. Fences must be jumped keeping the red flag on the right and the white flag on the left. Failure to do so will result in elimination for the riding phase and a score of zero (0).
6. Only jump materials provided by the Organizer may be used for warm-up. Rapping or poling is forbidden. The top rail may not be moved once a horse has started the approach to the fence.

Article 32: Access to Arenas

1. Competitors on foot may be admitted to the arena to inspect the course before the jumping competition only when the course is officially open. When the course is not open for inspection, the Riding Phase Steward will place a notice stating "Arena Closed" at the entrance or conspicuously in the middle of the arena. Permission to enter the arena will be given by displaying a notice stating "Arena Open." Notice of time the arena will be open shall be included in the schedule of the Rally.

2. There may be an official walk of the course. Competitors, if they wish, may walk the course more than once when the arena is open, provided there is time. Depending on the course adjustments there may be other course walks, at the discretion of the Riding Phase Steward and/or Organizer when the course is adjusted for different divisions.
3. Competitors may not exercise their mounts in the arena nor jump any obstacles that are part of the Rally.

Article 33: The Signal

1. A bell, horn or whistle may be used as a signal to a competitor. The signal of choice must be loud and clearly audible in all parts of the arena. It is used on the following occasions:
 - A. To give the signal for the start of a round;
 - B. To stop a competitor for any reason or for an unforeseen incident;
 - C. To signal a competitor to continue after an interruption;
 - D. To indicate an obstacle has to be jumped again after it has been knocked down during a refusal;
 - E. To indicate by repeated signaling that the competitor has been eliminated.
 - F. To indicate that 60 seconds have been exceeded at the gate or slip rail obstacles.
2. To start a round, the competitor enters the arena through the in-gate, halts facing the judge, and awaits the judge's signal (1 tone) to begin the round. From the time the start signal is given, the competitor has 45 seconds to begin the round. Failure to cross the start line in 45 seconds will result in elimination.
3. If the competitor fails to obey the signal, he or she will be eliminated from that round.
4. If, after an interruption, a competitor starts before the signal is sounded, he or she will be eliminated from that riding round and receive a score of zero for that round.

Article 34: The Course

1. The course is the track that the competitor must follow to complete a round. The length must be measured accurately, paying particular attention to the turns, from the starting line, along a line normally followed by a horse, and passing through the center of each obstacle to the finish line.
2. The length of the course shall be no less than 350 meters and will not exceed 850 meters.

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3. The course shall be limited to a maximum of jumping efforts as listed under Article 39: Obstacles. No course shall contain more than one double and one triple combination or two double combinations, if a triple is not included. (See Article 39.)
 4. The starting line may not be more than 25 meters (82 feet), nor less than 6 meters (19 feet 8 inches) from the first obstacle. The finish line may not be less than 15 meters (49 feet 2-1/2 inches), nor more than 25 meters (82 feet) from the last jump. The start and finish lines shall be marked with appropriate red or white flags or cones.
 5. Prior to the opening of the course for inspection and official course walk, the Technical Delegate shall inspect the course and shall indicate to the Organizer, and Riding Phase Steward, his or her approval of the course, or shall suggest changes as shall be necessary to gain approval. Once the Technical Delegate has approved the course, no other modifications may be made.
- B. The side limits of the obstacles, that is the section of the obstacle or warm up fence over which the mount is to jump. Flags/markers shall be placed on the inner limits of the wings;
 - C. Compulsory turning points;
 - D. The finish;
 - E. Timing cones in front of the slip rail and gate;
 - F. The direction in which the obstacles are to be jumped in the practice arena.
2. The flags/markers must be placed so competitors leave the red flags/markers on their right and the white flags/markers on their left. Competitors must pass through the flags and markers correctly under all circumstances.
 3. Should a competitor pass the wrong side of a start, finish, or compulsory turning flag/marker, he or she must return and pass the correct side of the flag/marker before jumping the next obstacle. This shall be considered a rectifiable deviation from the course. Should the competitor fail to rectify such a deviation, he or she shall be eliminated from the riding phase and receive a score of zero.

Article 35: The Plan of the Course

1. A plan showing the general layout of the course must be posted prior to the official walking.
2. The plan should show the following:
 - A. Position of the start and finish line. Unless otherwise indicated, these lines may be re-crossed during the round without penalty;
 - B. The relative position of the obstacles, their type and number;
 - C. Any compulsory passages or turning points;
 - D. The length of the course as measured;
 - E. The track to be followed by competitors indicated by an arrow showing the direction in which each obstacle must be jumped and by a solid line to indicate any compulsory passages;
 - F. The time allowed and the time limit;
 - G. After the third horse at each level has jumped the course with no resistances or disobediences, the Riding Judge and the TD shall review the time and may adjust the time allowed and time limit if they deem there has been a gross error in the measurement of the course or in the calculation of the time. From that point on it may not be adjusted. The adjusted time will be used to adjust the scores of the previous competitors.

Article 36: Flags or Markers

1. Entirely red or entirely white flags or markers shall be used to mark the following:
 - A. The start;

4. Knocking down a flag or marker, wherever it may be on course, does not incur a penalty. However, if a flag is knocked down as the result of a disobedience, it must be replaced before that obstacle is jumped. The clock must be stopped while the flag/marker is replaced, and the penalty of 12, 16, or 20 points applies according to the procedure laid down under time penalties.

Article 37: Obstacles

1. The obstacles must be strong, heavy and impressive in appearance, but not fixed. At the Organizer's discretion and if they choose to utilize the slip rail and gate as an exit and entry point to the show jumping ring, a limited number of fixed cross country jumps may be used.
2. The obstacles must be sporting and not cause an unpleasant surprise for anyone.
3. When measuring, the metric measurement takes precedence.
4. Rails must rest in standard deep or shallow cups. Cups used for planks, panels, and gates, when they constitute the top element of the jump, must be flat.
5. The height of warm-up fences may NOT exceed the maximum of the competitor's competition height by more than 3".
6. The ground line must be at the base or just in front of the jump. False ground lines are not allowed.

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7. Up to one inch leeway may be given when measuring obstacles to conform to the following dimensions, if due to the terrain and materials available, the obstacles cannot be made to fit the dimensions.

8. For Senior competitors the obstacles shall not exceed:

Straight obstacles 1.10m (3 ft 7 in) height

Brush fence 1.30m (4 ft 3 in) height; solid part of brush <1.00m (3 ft 3 in)

Spread obstacles 1.10m (3 ft 7 in) height
1.30m (3 ft 9 in) width at the highest point
1.60m (5 ft 3 in) width at the base

Water jump 3.00m (9 ft 10 in)

9. For Juniors the obstacles shall not exceed:

Straight obstacles 1.00m (3 ft 3 in) height

Brush fence 1.20m (3 ft 11 in) height; solid part of brush <0.90m (2 ft 11 in)

Spread obstacles 1.00m (3 ft 3 in) height
1.10m (3 ft 7 in) width at the highest point
1.40m (4 ft 6 in) width at the base.

10. For Intermediates and Novices, the obstacles shall not exceed:

Straight obstacles 0.89m (2 ft 9 in) height

Brush fence 1.0m (3 ft); solid part of brush <0.80m (2 ft 7 in)

Spread obstacles 0.89m (2 ft 9 in) height
1.00m (3 ft) width at the highest part
1.40m (4 ft 3 in) width at the base

11. For Pre-Novice the obstacles shall not exceed:

Straight obstacles 0.68m (2 ft 3 in) height

Spread obstacles 0.68m (2 ft 3 in) height
0.76m (2 ft 6 in) width at the highest part

12. For 10-and-Under, obstacles shall not exceed 18" in height and spread.

13. For 8-and-Under, the course will be appropriate for the beginning rider of D-1 Pony Club certification. For a D-1 rider, a course of secure poles on the ground or cross rails that require steering is recommended.

14. The minimum number of jumping efforts per course is eight (8). The maximum number of jumping efforts should not exceed the following:

Novice/Intermediate10
Junior12
Senior14

15. The above dimensions are the maximum dimensions permitted. Course designers should not interpret these maximums as requiring a course of a set height. In general no more than 50% of the obstacles should be at the maximum and the balance of the course should be of lesser heights. At least three out of the first eight must be spread obstacles.

16. For Regional and local Rallies, Organizers should use their judgment and modify maximum dimensions in non-qualifying divisions according to the capabilities of the competing riders.

17. When there is a range of expertise in a Rally level, those not wanting to qualify for the next level of competition (National Championships), may be offered a lower course, with no deduction of score, if qualifying and non-qualifying divisions are offered.

18. In addition to the maximum number of jumping efforts in No. 12 above, each course at the Novice, Intermediate, Junior and Senior levels shall include a slip rail to be taken down, negotiated and replaced while unmounted and a gate to be opened, negotiated, closed and secured while mounted. See Articles 45 & 46 for computing Time Allowed and Time Limit. See Appendix I for specifications and construction details for the slip rail and gate. Regional Rallies run in conjunction with Modern Pentathlon competitions may exclude the gate and slip rail from the riding phase for all levels.

Article 38: Types of Obstacles

1. Straight Obstacles – An obstacle, whatever its construction, can only be called a straight obstacle when all elements are placed vertically, one above the other, on the take off side, without any rail, hedge, bank or ditch in front of it.

2. Spread Obstacles – A spread obstacle is one that requires the horse to jump width as well as height.

3. Water Jump – For a spread obstacle to be called a water jump, it must not have any obstacle before, in the middle or beyond the ditch full of water.

A. Only a guardrail or hedge, fixed on the ground, may be placed on the take off side.

B. The hedge is not part of the obstacle and displacing or knocking it down is not penalized although it counts in the calculation of total width.

C. The limits of water jumps without guardrails or hedges must be clearly marked on both take-off and landing sides.

D. The landing side, and where necessary the take off side, must be clearly seen by the judge when a horse touches it.

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4. Banks, slopes, ramps and sunken roads, whether or not they include any type of obstacle and regardless of direction negotiated, are to be considered as combinations of obstacles. A bank without the addition of a jump or with only one pole may be taken in one jump without incurring any penalties.
5. Slip Rail and Gate. These obstacles test rider control of the horse. They are approached by passing between the time flags, deeping the red on the right. Time begins when the horse's chest passes through the time flags. Time allowed from passage through the time flags to time completion is 60 seconds. The rider must attempt to complete the obstacle task for 60 seconds and will receive a signal from the obstacle timer that they may move on if their time elapses. (See Table 2 for penalties incurred for not negotiating the obstacle, or not negotiating the obstacle in the time allowed.)

Note to Organizer: Either the slip rail or gate, when used, will be placed about one-third the distance into the course and the other two-thirds the distance. Each is numbered consecutively as obstacles on the course, but they are not counted as jumping efforts.

6. Slip Rail Component Specifications:

Wings: Two fences (4'-5' high by 6'-8' wide) with bases (weighted by sand bags or other stabilizer).

Opening: 6' minimum and 8' maximum, spanned by two 2" x 4" boards that are 2' longer than the width of the opening.

Rails: A lower rail shall remain in place; the top measures 10" from the ground. A top rail (top of which is 3'-4' from the ground) slides freely to be lowered to the ground.

Time Flags: Cones or suitable markers 20' apart and 10' in front of the slip rail, with a red flag on the right and a white flag on the left.

Negotiating the Slip Rail: Once the jump prior to the slip rail has been successfully negotiated, the competitor has the choice to dismount at any time during the approach to the slip rail and must pass, either mounted or dismounted, through the time flags. Time to negotiate the slip rail will be started when the horse's chest passes between these markers. The competitor must be dismounted prior to negotiating the slip rail. To negotiate: slide the top rail end free of the wing and lower it to the ground (or optionally slide the top rail fully back into the second wing). Lead the horse over the lowered slip rail. Complete the task by replacing the top rail to its original position. Remounting may occur at any time prior to jumping the next obstacle. If available, a mounting block may be used without incurring any penalty points. The use of a mounting block is at the discretion of the course designer and show jumping steward. If used, the mounting block should be at least 15 meters or yards from the split rail. It is recommended that

the mounting block be natural, such as a log or flower box, and the course designer may integrate the mounting block into the course (e.g., place the flower box next to a jump) and specifically designate it as such on the course map. Both jumping the slip rail and an unintentional dismount, i.e., fall of rider, prior to slip rail both will incur elimination. (See Table 2 for penalty points related to the slip rail).

7. Gate Specifications

Wings: Two fences (4' high by 6'-8' wide with a 5' high inner "loop" post) and bass (securely anchored by sand bags or other stabilizer).

Swing Gate: 6' minimum by 8' maximum, spanned by a typical farm gate of pipe, metal panels or wood.

Gate Stop: Placed on the exit side of the loop post to ensure that the gate swings on the outgoing side only and does not swing through into the incoming side of the obstacle.

Loop: A loop of rope or other suitable flexible material is fastened at the top near side of the gate, with enough slack to comfortably pass over the loop post.

Time Flags: Cones or suitable markers 20' apart and 10' in front of the gate with a red flag on the right and a white flag on the left.

Negotiating the Gate: The gate is negotiated by the rider while mounted and time begins when the horse's chest passes through the time flags. Next, the competitor will ride alongside the gate, open, ride through, push closed, ride alongside the gate, and replace the loop completely to its original position. The gate is considered to have been successfully negotiated when the loop has been placed completely over the post. An intentional (mistaken) dismount at the gate is scored as a first disobedience on course (48 points). *Please note a disobedience penalty at the gate is not cumulative with other disobediences on course.* Unintentional dismount, i.e., fall of rider at the gate, incurs elimination with no recourse. Final determination between an intentional dismount and a fall is at the discretion of the judge.

Article 39: Combinations of Obstacles

1. A double or triple combination is an obstacle composed of two or three fences necessitating two or three successive jumping efforts. The minimum distance between any two parts is 7 meters (23 ft) and the maximum 12 meters (39 ft 4 in). The distance is measured from the base of the fence on the landing side to the base of the next fence on the take off side.
2. No combinations should consist of closed obstacles.
3. Senior level competitors will be asked to jump a triple combination, a triple and a double, or two double combinations.

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4. Juniors will be asked to jump one triple or two doubles.
5. Intermediates will be asked to jump two doubles.
6. Novices will be asked to jump one double combination.
7. Pre-Novice, 10-and-Under and 8-and-Under will not be asked to jump combinations.

Article 40: Faults in the Course

1. An obstacle is considered to have been knocked down, when through a mistake of either the mount or the competitor:
 - A. At least one end of the top element is dislodged from its support.
 - B. Any framework intended to maintain the solidity of the obstacle and forming an integral part of its support falls.
 - C. If there is any doubt, the Jury should rule in favor of the competitor.
2. If an obstacle, which has been dislodged, does not actually fall until after the competitor has crossed the finish line, it is not counted as a fault. No such dislodged obstacle shall be touched until the competitor has crossed the finish line.
3. The penalties for knocking down an obstacle are set out in the Table of Faults and Penalties.
4. When an obstacle is composed of several elements placed one on top of the other in the same vertical plane and one or more of the elements is knocked down, only the top element is penalized.
5. When an obstacle to be taken with one jump is composed of several elements not fixed in the same plane, as in spread and water obstacles, knocking down one or more top elements, or a foot in the water when a strip or other suitable material is used, it is counted as one mistake only, regardless of the number of separate elements knocked down.
6. All the faults for mistakes or disobediences made at each fence of a combination during each attempt are counted separately and added together.
7. If any element of an obstacle that has been knocked down prevents a competitor from jumping another obstacle or part of a combination, it must be removed. The time taken to do this is deducted from the total time for the round.
8. A competitor showing a horse an obstacle will be eliminated.

Article 41: Disobediences, Deviations, Resistance

1. The following are considered disobediences and are penalized as such:
 - A. Rectified deviation from the course: (see item 2B below)

B. Refusal:

- 1) A refusal consists of stopping in front of an obstacle to be jumped, whether or not the mount knocks it down or displaces it.
- 2) If a competitor knocks down the obstacle during a run out or while stopping and then jumps the obstacle after the officiating judge sounds the signal to stop and before it has been rebuilt and the judge sounds the signal to continue, he or she is penalized by elimination and a score of zero.
- 3) If a horse slides through an obstacle, the officiating judge must decide whether it is to count as a refusal or a knock down. If the judge decides it is a refusal, the signal is sounded at once and the competitor must be ready to attempt to jump the obstacle as soon as it has been rebuilt and the signal to continue sounded. If the judge decides a knock down has occurred, the signal will not be sounded and the competitor should continue his round.
- 4) A competitor who, in the opinion of the officiating judge, shows an obstacle to his or her mount after a refusal and before resuming the course will be penalized by elimination and will receive a zero score. The competitor will be excused from the ring.

C. Run-out:

- 1) A horse is considered to have run-out if it is not under the full control of its rider and/or avoids an obstacle it should have jumped. Jumping outside the flags that mark the limits of an obstacle is considered a run out.
- 2) If a competitor fails to return to jump the obstacle properly, he or she will be penalized by elimination and a score of zero.

D. Circling: any form of circle or series of circles in any part of the course for any reason – except a horse may circle to regain position after a run-out or refusal. This rule does not apply to circling at the slip rail and gate obstacles.

E. Crossing Tracks: crossing one's original tracks between two consecutive obstacles anywhere on the course, unless specifically allowed and shown on the plan of the course.

F. Approaching an obstacle or the finish line sideways or by zigzagging or by turning sharply towards them is not a disobedience unless the horse, or part of the horse, passes the obstacles to be taken or passes outside the finish line. If the track of the horse after jumping an obstacle crosses the track made before jumping the same obstacle, no disobedience has occurred.

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2. The following are considered Deviations

A. A deviation from course occurs when a competitor:

- 1) Does not follow the posted plan of the course
- 2) Disregards a flag indicating the course to be followed, or fails to pass over either the starting or finishing line
- 3) Fails to jump the obstacles in the prescribed order
- 4) Misses an obstacle on course
- 5) Jumps an obstacle previously jumped successfully
- 6) Jumps an obstacle from the wrong direction
- 7) Fails to jump the fences in a combination separately and consecutively
- 8) Fails to renegotiate the entire combination after a refusal, or run out at any of the fences of the combination.

B. Correction of Deviation

- 1) In order to correct a deviation from the course, a competitor must return to the course at the point where the error was committed.
- 2) A deviation from the course that is rectified before jumping the next obstacle is penalized as a disobedience.
- 3) A deviation from the course that is not rectified or that is rectified only after jumping the next obstacle, whether that obstacle is a part of the course or not, incurs elimination and a score of zero.

3. Resistance:

- A) A horse is considered to offer resistance if, at any time, and for whatever reason, it stops, backs, turns around more or less completely, rears, and generally misbehaves. There is no penalty incurred for a simple resistance unless it is classified as a refusal or run-out under Article 41, sections 1.B and 1.C above or persists as in B.2 below.
- B) A competitor will be eliminated and receive a score of zero if:
 - 1) resistance occurs for a period of 45 seconds during a round
 - 2) more than 45 seconds is taken to jump an obstacle
 - 3) resistance causes the competitor to fail to pass over the starting line within 45 seconds of the signal to commence the round.

Article 42: Falls

1. A competitor is considered to have fallen when he or she is separated from his/her mount, which has not fallen, in such a manner that he has to remount. A horse is considered to have fallen when, at the same time, both the shoul-

der and the quarters have touched either the ground or the obstacle and the ground.

2. A fall of a competitor is penalized wherever it takes place after crossing the starting line and before crossing the finish line. A fall of the competitor equals elimination from that round. The competitor will be excused from the ring.
3. The fall of a horse equals elimination from that round. *If the mount is a shared mount or the fall of the mount occurs in the first ride of a Rally where there are to be two rides, the mount must be examined by the TD and a veterinarian (if available on the grounds) to determine if it will be allowed to continue.*
4. An intentional dismount (accidental) at a swing gate will not be considered a fall. *See Falls or Disobediences During Interrupted Time.*

Article 43: Speed

The speeds required are as follows:

Senior competitors

325-350 m/min.(355-380 yds./min.)

Junior competitors

300-325 m/min.(325-355 yds./min.)

Novice and Intermediate competitors

300 m/min.(325 yds./min)

Pre-Novice, 10-and-Under and 8-and-Under *no time taken*

Article 44: Time of Round

1. The time of a round is the time taken by the competitor to complete the course. It begins the exact moment at which the mounted competitor passes the starting line and ends when, still mounted, the competitor crosses the finish line. The horse's chest is used as the measuring point.
2. The time allowed for a round is based on the length and speed on a course by division. Time is added to allow negotiation of the Slip Rail and Gate. The time allowed must be clearly shown on the plan of the course. Time Allowed = (length of course / speed) + time allowed for slip rail and gate

Time Allowed for Slip Rail and Gate: 15 seconds for each – total 30 seconds

Example: Senior division – 425 meter course at a pace of 325 meters per minute.

Time Allowed = 425 meters / 325 meters per minute = 1.31 minutes

The 1.31 minutes shown above are minutes expressed as a decimal. This needs to be converted to minutes and seconds, which would equal 1 minute and 18 seconds. Then 30 seconds should be added as described above for the gate and Slip Rail to determine the total Time Allowed.

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Therefore, the total time allowed would be 1 minute 48 seconds

- Competitors taking longer to complete the course than the time allowed will be penalized according to the Table of Faults and Penalties.
- Within the limits of Articles 37, 38, 39, 40 and 44, course designers are free to plan a track suitable to the quality and standard of preparation of the competitors. After the third horse at each level has jumped the course with no resistances or disobediences, the Riding Judge and the TD shall review the time and may adjust the time allowed and time limit if they deem there has been a gross error in the measurement of the course or in the calculation of the time. From that point on it may not be adjusted. The adjusted time will be used to adjust the scores of the previous competitors.

Article 45: Time Limit

- The time limit is twice the time allowed and is computed as follows:

Time Limit = (length of course / speed + 30 seconds) x 2

Example: Senior Division, 850 meter course at 325 meters per minute

TL = Time Allowed X2

- Competitors exceeding the time limit are eliminated from that round (a zero (0) score). They are excused from the ring.

Article 46: Recording Time

- The time recorded in seconds and hundredths or tenths of seconds is calculated from the moment the horse's chest crosses the starting line to the moment the horse's chest crosses the finishing line.
- At least two additional hand-held stopwatches must always be available to time resistances, to check duration of interruptions, and as a standby in case the electronic device should fail during a round.
- When electronic timing devices are not used, at least three hand-held stopwatches must be used.

Article 47: Penalties

- If, as a result of a disobedience, a competitor knocks down or dislodges an element of a single obstacle (or the first obstacle of a combination) before jumping the obstacle, the judge will immediately sound the signal (2 tones or 2 whistles) to stop the competitor. When the competitor stops, the competitor's elapsed time will be stopped. The obstacle will be rebuilt. The judge will sound a signal (1 tone or 1 whistle) to resume the competitor's elapsed time.

The competitor will then resume the course. The competitor will be penalized for both the disobedience and by an additional 12 time penalties. (See Table 2, Faults and Penalties in the Riding Phase).

- If a competitor has a refusal or a run out on the second or third obstacle of a combination obstacle, but has not knocked down any element of the combination, the competitor must return to the first element and jump the combination in its entirety. The clock will not be stopped and the disobedience penalties will be applied.
- If a competitor knocks down or dislodges one of the elements of a combination obstacle, and then has a refusal or a run out at any of the following obstacles in the combination, the judge will immediately sound the signal (2 tones or 2 whistles) to stop the competitor. When the competitor stops, the competitor's elapsed time will be stopped. ALL elements knocked down in the combination jump will be rebuilt. The judge will sound a signal (1 tone or 1 whistle) to resume the competitor's elapsed time. The competitor must retake the whole combination after the obstacle is rebuilt and the signal sounded to continue. The competitor will be penalized for:

A. any knockdowns

B. the disobedience

C. time penalties based on where the disobedience occurred. (See Table 2. Faults and Penalties in the Riding Phase).

Example: On a triple combination jump, the competitor knocks down a rail on the A element, clears the B element and has a run out on the C element. The competitor is signaled to stop and elapsed time is stopped. The rail is replaced on element A. The competitor is signaled to resume, the elapsed time started, and jumps all three elements of the triple combination and knocks down a rail on the C element and resumes the course. The competitor will be scored as follows:

First run at triple combination

Knockdown at A24 points
Run out at C24 points
Time penalties for run out at C20 points

Second run at triple combination

Knockdown at C24 points
Total penalties92 points

- If an obstacle previously knocked down has to be jumped twice in a round and has not been rebuilt by the time the competitor is ready to jump it or a part of any obstacle knocked down might prevent the competitor from safely jumping another obstacle on the course, the signal will be sounded to stop the competitor and, when the competitor stops, the clock will be stopped. When the obstacle has

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been rebuilt or the hazard removed, the signal will be sounded for the competitor to continue his round and the clock restarted. The competitor is not penalized in this instance.

5. While the clock is stopped for any reason, the competitor may move about freely until he or she is signaled to continue the round, whereupon the clock is restarted. Under no circumstances may the competitor, as a result of interrupted time, restart his or her round from a position which would shorten the length of the course.

Article 48: Interrupted Time and Resistance

1. Judges must be very careful to ensure the clock (stop-watches) is stopped and restarted according to the rules for Rallies so that the time of interruption can be deducted from the total time of the round.
2. When time is interrupted, the overall time watches will continue to run from the beginning of the round until the end. A separate watch will start at the beginning of the interruption and stop when the rider resumes the course. That time will be deducted from the overall time.
3. Judge must have extra watches available to measure interruptions.

Article 49: Falls or Disobediences During Interrupted Time

1. The time of a round is not interrupted except as outlined under interrupted time. The clock (stopwatches) is not stopped for a deviation from the course, running out, or broken equipment.
2. Falls of a horse or competitor will result in elimination of the rider and rider will be excused and receive a zero (0) score for that round even when the clock (stopwatches) is interrupted. Disobediences are not penalized during interrupted time, with the exception of the abuse rule.
3. An intentional dismount of the horse (by mistake) at the swing gate will no longer be considered a "First fall of the rider", and will not be cause to eliminate the rider. The intentional dismount of the horse (by mistake) at the swing gate is to be considered a "disobedience on course" which should be scored as described in Table 2. The time clock shall remain running while the rider collects themselves and remounts the horse to continue the ride. It is important to note that this rule only applies if the rider is clearly approaching the swing gate and mistakenly dismounts thinking they
4. The rules regarding maximum penalties remain in force during interrupted time.

Part 2: Saddlery and Dress for Riding Phase

Article 50: Whips and Saddlery

1. Maximum length of whip/crop is 75cm (30 in.).
2. No sharp or cutting edges are allowed on whips, tack or attire coming in contact with the mount.
3. Blinders of any kind are prohibited.
4. Properly adjusted running martingales with rein and breast stops are permitted
5. Timing devices may be worn.
6. All equipment must be in good repair, safe and maintained to the competitor's certification level.
7. Acceptable bits are detailed in the *USPC Show Jumping Rulebook*.
8. Braiding is optional as long as it does not interfere with the competitor's responsibilities to his or her mount. Braids shall not stay in overnight. Braiding or not braiding, nor the quality of the braid job, shall have any effect on the performance or turn-out scores.

See current *USPC Horse Management Handbook*, or current *USPC Show Jumping Rulebook* for more information.

Article 51: Dress for the Riding Phase

This attire shall be the minimum deemed appropriate whenever the competitor is mounted.

1. Comfortable clothing suitable for cross-country may be worn.
2. Shirts must have a collar and sleeves.
3. Breeches or jodhpurs with garters and/or hold-down straps.
4. Appropriate footwear must be worn. Footwear that meets USPC Horse Management standards must be worn at all times in the stable area.
5. Only blunt spurs without rowels may be used and must be properly fitted according to USEF rules.
6. An specified equestrian helmet with a retention system secured, must be worn at all times while mounted. Please refer to the Helmet Policy mentioned in the USPC Policies and Guidelines. Failure to do so will result in elimination. If the helmet comes off during competition or if the retention system becomes undone, the rider is forbidden under penalty of elimination to proceed until it has been replaced or re-secured. The rider must dismount until helmet is replaced. The clock continues to run and no other penalty is awarded.
7. Safety vests are optional.

For more information, refer to the current *USPC Horse Management Handbook*.

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Part 3: Scoring of Riding & Horse Management

Article 52: Scoring the Riding Phase

1. Errors and disobediences are scored in faults, which are penalized by the loss of points according to Table II: Table of Penalties in the Riding Phase.
2. All errors and disobediences committed between the starting line and the finish line are counted except if an obstacle falls, due to a jumping error, after the competitor has crossed the finish line, or in the case of a disobedience, during interrupted time.
3. A clear round in the time allowed shall give the competitor a maximum of 1100 points.
4. In the event of ties in the riding phase, each competitor will receive identical points toward the Tetrathlon Championship. However, if awards are to be made for the riding phase alone, the competitor with the shorter time will receive the higher award, except at the Novice level where the competitor whose time is closest to the optimum will win the higher award. In the event of identical times, the competitor judged by the Horse Management Chief to have maintained superior Horse Management during the Rally will receive the higher award.
5. When maximum penalties have been awarded, the score is zero (0) for that riding round.

Article 53: Scoring of Horse Management

1. All Horse Management will be judged under the current *USPC Rules for Horse Management*.
2. Horse Management is judged for the duration of the Rally. Horse Management judging continues during the time allotted for the other phases. It starts with the opening of the Rally and continues until the end, or a time designated by the Organizer to facilitate scoring.
3. Horse Management in Rallies will be judged on observance of sound, safe practices in securing, handling, grooming, tacking, riding, cooling out, feeding and watering, and extended care of their mounts by competitors. Workmanlike methods and arrangements are to be strived for and *reasonable common sense in the existing conditions stressed*.
4. Scoring: All Tetrathletes will be judged as a team and as individuals for purposes of Horse Management. Faults against a tack room are received by all competitors sharing that tack room. Faults against a horse are received by all sharing that mount up to their certification level. Individual and team points are added on the master score sheet kept by the overall scorekeeper to obtain the team score in Horse Management.

5. A competitor may receive a maximum of 100 penalty points per day in Horse Management. The number of points total is multiplied (factored) by 5 for each competitor's HM total. The factored points are deducted from the competitor's total score.
6. Should the Rally be organized for mounts to be brought in for one day, the Horse Management will be judged under rules for a One-Day Rally.
7. Unauthorized assistance in the stable area may result in elimination and a score of zero in the Riding Phase added to the maximum Horse Management penalty points. Example: Zero for the riding phase and $-100 \times 5 = -500$ from the total score.
8. When more than one competitor is using the same mount, all will receive the same Horse Management deductions, not a percentage of the deductions. In the case where the competitors represent more than one certification level there may be a difference in the turnout inspection score.
9. All riders using the same mount will present at the first scheduled turnout inspection time for the mount. If tack is removed or changed between riders, the mount must be returned to Horse Management for a safety check.

Article 54: Riding Phase Awards

1. When possible, an individual equitation award will be given. This award carries no point value. In the event that the Organizer elects to offer two jumping rounds, notice of which round will be judged for the equitation award will be clearly posted in the Rally schedule or program and be announced at the Rally briefing.
2. When possible, a Horse Management award will be given. This award carries no point value.

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Table 1: Summary of Riding Actions That Result in Elimination

The following summary from the preceding rules list actions that may lead to a penalty of zero (0) score in the riding round. Officials and competitors should be aware that this summary is prepared for convenience only. Before any competitor is penalized with a zero (0) score, reference should be made to the appropriate section of the preceding rules. Should there be a question of interpretation, the preceding rules apply rather than the summary. If the second ride option is exercised in a competition, and if a rider is eliminated in the first round, he/she may ride in the second round. If the mount falls resulting in the elimination of the rider from that round and the mount is a shared mount or the fall occurred in the first of two rounds, the mount must be examined by the TD and veterinarian (if there is one available on the grounds) to determine if it is suitable to continue.

- Failure to enter the ring when called.
- Jumping an obstacle in the arena before the starting signal, jumping obstacles which are not flagged.
- Starting before the signal is given.
- Failure to cross the starting line within 45 seconds of the starting signal.
- Resistance of the horse at any time during the round for a duration of more than 45 seconds.
- Failure to jump an obstacle within 45 seconds.
- Failure to present a horse three times at an obstacle before proceeding on to the next in the event of a disobedience.
- Failure to bypass an obstacle and proceed to the next after three (3) failed attempts to jump that obstacle.
- Jumping an obstacle without having rectified a deviation from the course.
- Jumping an obstacle not part of the course.
- Jumping an obstacle in the wrong order.
- Passing the wrong side of a flag and not rectifying this mistake.
- Jumping an obstacle which has been knocked down before it has been rebuilt.
- Starting again after an interruption before the starting signal is given.
- Failure to jump the fences in a combination separately and consecutively.
- Failure to jump the whole combination obstacle after a refusal, run out.
- Failure to cross the starting line or finishing line mounted, or failure to cross the finishing line before leaving the arena.
- Competitor and/or mount leaving the arena prior to finishing the round.
- Exceeding the time limit.
- Showing an obstacle to a horse before starting or after a disobedience.
- Accepting anything except dropped spectacles.
- Exercising a mount in the arena.
- Dangerous riding, misuse of equipment.
- Being mounted without a required equestrian helmet, or without the retention system secure. Please refer to the Helmet Policy in USPC Policies and Guidelines.
- Jumping a practice fence or any flagged obstacle on course the wrong way, as marked by red and white flags or markers.
- First fall of the rider, first fall of the horse.
- Jumping the slip rail or gate in either direction.
- Dismounting at the gate for any reason. See exception in paragraph 3, Article 49.

At the discretion of the Ground jury, the following are subject to the maximum penalty:

- Entering or leaving the arena dismounted.
- Unauthorized assistance during the riding/Horse Management phase except as previously regulated above.
- Failure to stop on the indication of the signal when sounded.
- Failure to enter the exercise area or arena properly dressed or with the proper and allowable tack on the mount.

The maximum penalty is a zero (0) score for that round.

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Table 2: Faults and Penalties in the Riding Phase

The competitor is penalized for mistakes defined in the rules on the following basis:

For each commenced second over the time allowed .....	.2 points
For each knock down or a foot in the water .....	.24 points
Fall of competitor	Elimination
For the first disobedience .....	.24 points
For the second disobedience on course .....	.48 points
For the third and each subsequent disobedience on course .....	.72 points
Fall of horse	Elimination
An example would be - a rider has a total of 4 refusals on course. One at jump 2, two at jump 4, and one at jump 8.	
The total penalty would be 24+.48+.72+.72 + 216 penalty points.	

If a refusal occurs which results in an obstacle being knocked down, the competitor shall be penalized for the disobedience as above plus the additional time penalty of:

A single obstacle or the first part of a combination .....	.12 points
The second part of a combination .....	.16 points
The third part of a combination .....	.20 points

All faults for disobediences are cumulative, not only if they are incurred at the same obstacle, but throughout the same round.

Scoring the Slip Rail and Gate

Failure to dismount, take down or fully slide the slip rail into the wing, pass through and replace the slip rail ...150 points

When a rider has exceeded the 60 second time limit at a slip rail, the judge at that obstacle shall signal the rider to proceed to the next obstacle by sounding a bell, whistle or horn.

Failure to open, pass through a gate mounted, and resecure the gate within 60 seconds150 points

When a rider has exceeded the 60 second time limit at a gate, the judge at that obstacle shall signal the rider to proceed to the next obstacle by sounding a bell, whistle or horn.

Failure to shut and secure gate mounted or slip rail dismounted, when it is otherwise correctly negotiated (in both cases from the departure side of the obstacle)50 points

Receiving assistance to remount* after the slip rail:

Seniors and Juniors .....	.60 points
Intermediate .....	.45 points
Novice .....	.30 points
Non-qualifying divisions .....	.10 points

**A mounting block may be used without incurring point penalties. The use of a mounting block is at the discretion of the course designer and show jumping steward.*

Jumping the gate or slip rail in any directionElimination

Dismounting at the gate for any reason. See exception in paragraph 3, Article 49.Elimination

Failure to pass between the cones when approaching the slip rail or gate60 points

(Note: should rider not pass through the cones, the obstacle judge will start the clock as the chest of the horse passes the extended line of the cones.)

Maximum penalty that can be incurred at the slip rail or gate210 points

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Article 55: Running Phase Courses & General Rules

1. The length of courses shall be:
Senior level competitors3000 meters
All Juniors2000 meters
All Intermediates.....1000 meters
All Novices1000 meters
All Pre-Novices500 meters
All 10-and-Unders500 meters
All 8-and-Unders.....500 meters
2. The course shall be cross-country in nature and may include obstacles that must be negotiated, such as hay bales, logs, low event fences, etc.
3. To facilitate accurate timing and to assure equal amounts of uphill and downhill terrain in the course, the start and finish should be close to the same elevation and within 20 meters of each other.
4. The TD must approve the course before it is opened to competitors to walk.
5. The competitor may not be given notification of course deviation, information, guidance or instructions, including reading out split times. It is forbidden for anyone to run with or near a competitor or in any way act as a pacer. This is considered unauthorized assistance and will result in elimination from the phase with a score of zero for the phase.
6. A competitor may be given encouragement along the way. Cheering and encouragement is recommended and encouraged including shouting the competitor's name.
7. Competitors are allowed to wear headphones during the competition.
8. The use of any radio or telephone communication equipment during the race is prohibited.
9. Unforeseen occurrences during the running phase which are not covered by these rules, will be resolved under the USATF rules for Cross-Country Running.

Article 56: Scoring the Running Phase

Running times earning 1100 points are based on Championships times for age and gender groups.

For the 3,000 Meter distance, a penalty of three points per second is deducted for each second over the Optimum Time, which earns 1100 points. For the 2,000 Meter distance, a penalty of four and one half (4.5) points per second is deducted for each second over the Optimum Time, which earns 1100 points. For all other distances, a penalty of six points per second is deducted for each second over the Optimum Time, which earns 1100 points. (*See the following tables.*)

Article 57: Time & Optimum Time

1. There will be at least three watches running to officiate time.
2. If electronic timers are used, hand held watches must be used as back up.
3. Optimum Times earning 1100 points are:

	BOYS	GIRLS
Senior Division	9 min. 45 sec.	12 min. 00 sec.
Junior Division	6 min. 45 sec.	8 min. 00 sec.
Intermediate Division	3 min. 08 sec.	3 min. 18 sec.
Novice Division	3 min. 30 sec.	3 min. 45 sec.
Pre-Novice Division	2 min. 00 sec.	2 min. 00 sec.
10-and-Under	2 min. 00 sec.	2 min. 00 sec.
8-and-Under	2 min. 45 sec.	2 min. 45 sec.

In the event of a tie, runners will be awarded the same point total but the ribbons will be determined by averaging raw times to the nearest tenth or hundredth (if available) of a second.

Article 58: Start

1. The running event for all divisions may be started in any one of the following formats at the discretion of the Organizer. Individual starts are recommended.
 - A. *Individual Start:* Runners shall be started at one minute intervals and timed from the moment the starter signals them to leave until they cross the finish line. A count-down start shall be used, with a warning at 30 seconds, 15 seconds, 10 seconds, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, go. Times will be recorded to the nearest hundredth of a second but will be scored by rounding to the next higher second for use with the accompanying tables. Runners leaving before being told will be recalled to start again, being penalized only for the time lost in doing so. A runner starting late will not be eliminated, but his or her time starts from the moment he or she should have started.
 - B. *Group Start:* Starting commands will be: "Runners to your mark," followed by a gun or whistle. False starts are called back by a second shot or whistle.
 - C. *Handicapped Start:* When a Tetrathlon Rally is held in conjunction with a Modern Pentathlon competition, running will be the final phase and will use Modern Pentathlon competition Rules for the running phase (tetrathlon.ponyclub.org). Please refer to Article 6, Event Rules: Running for Handicapped Start Rules and Running Points Tables.
2. The starting order shall be posted or announced at least one hour before the race can start.

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3. Fifteen minutes before the start time of the first runner, a "first call" will be announced. Ten minutes before the start a second call will be announced. Five minutes before the start a final call will be announced. The race has officially started with the first call.

Article 59: Control

1. Running courses shall be well marked so that a runner keeps a red flag or marker on the right and a white flag or marker on the left. While passing through any set of flags or markers on course, the runner must immediately be able to look ahead and see the next set of flags or markers.
 - A. If a runner deviates from the marked course in a manner that shortens the required distance, the runner is eliminated and his score will be zero.
 - B. If a runner deviates in a manner that lengthens the course there will be no additional penalty other than the extra time required to run the course.

2. A runner must pass through all course flags and markers. Failure to do so will result in elimination
3. The Running Steward will assign enough spotters to watch all gates. A spotter may watch more than one gate. A spotter at the finish line will record the order of finish as well as finishing times.
4. An official walk of the course may be conducted prior to the race. Participation is not mandatory.

Directions for Running Tables:

The tables for scoring running are found on the following pages. Read across the top of the table for the minutes and down the first column for the seconds on the appropriate page. Stop watch times are rounded up to the next full second for use with the tables.

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Table 3 – Senior Boys Running – 3000 Meters

Seconds	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
0	1100	1055	875	695	515	335	155
1	1100	1052	872	692	512	332	152
2	1100	1049	869	689	509	329	149
3	1100	1046	866	686	506	326	146
4	1100	1043	863	683	503	323	144
5	1100	1040	860	680	500	320	140
6	1100	1037	857	677	497	317	137
7	1100	1034	854	674	494	314	134
8	1100	1031	851	671	491	311	131
9	1100	1028	848	668	488	308	128
10	1100	1025	845	665	485	305	125
11	1100	1022	842	662	482	302	122
12	1100	1019	839	659	479	299	119
13	1100	1016	836	656	476	296	116
14	1100	1013	833	653	473	293	113
15	1100	1010	830	650	470	290	110
16	1100	1007	827	647	467	287	107
17	1100	1004	824	644	464	284	104
18	1100	1001	821	641	461	281	101
19	1100	998	818	638	458	278	98
20	1100	995	815	635	455	275	95
21	1100	992	812	632	452	272	92
22	1100	989	809	629	449	269	89
23	1100	986	806	626	446	266	86
24	1100	983	803	623	443	263	83
25	1100	980	800	620	440	260	80
26	1100	977	797	617	437	257	77
27	1100	974	794	614	434	254	74
28	1100	971	791	611	431	251	71
29	1100	968	788	608	428	248	68
30	1100	965	785	605	425	245	65
31	1100	962	782	602	422	242	62
32	1100	959	779	599	419	239	59
33	1100	956	776	596	416	236	56
34	1100	953	773	593	413	233	53
35	1100	950	770	590	410	230	50
36	1100	947	767	587	407	227	47
37	1100	944	764	584	404	224	44
38	1100	941	761	581	401	221	41
39	1100	938	758	578	398	218	38
40	1100	935	755	575	395	215	35
41	1100	932	752	572	392	212	32
42	1100	929	749	569	389	209	29
43	1100	926	746	566	386	206	26
44	1100	923	743	563	383	203	23
45	1100	920	740	560	380	200	20
46	1097	917	737	557	377	197	17
47	1094	914	734	554	374	194	14
48	1091	911	731	551	371	191	11
49	1088	908	728	548	368	188	8
50	1085	905	725	545	365	185	5
51	1082	902	722	542	362	182	2
52	1079	899	719	539	359	179	0
53	1076	896	716	536	356	176	0
54	1073	893	713	533	353	173	0
55	1070	890	710	530	350	170	0
56	1067	887	707	527	347	167	0
57	1064	884	704	524	344	164	0
58	1061	881	701	521	341	161	0
59	1058	878	698	518	338	158	0

Table 4 – Junior Boys Running – 2000 Meters

Seconds	6	7	8	9	10
0	1100	1033	763	493	223
1	1100	1028	758	488	218
2	1100	1024	754	484	214
3	1100	1019	749	479	209
4	1100	1015	745	475	205
5	1100	1010	740	470	200
6	1100	1006	736	466	196
7	1100	1001	731	461	191
8	1100	997	727	457	187
9	1100	992	722	452	182
10	1100	988	718	448	178
11	1100	983	713	443	173
12	1100	979	709	439	169
13	1100	974	704	434	164
14	1100	970	700	430	160
15	1100	965	695	425	155
16	1100	961	691	421	151
17	1100	956	686	416	146
18	1100	952	682	412	142
19	1100	947	677	407	137
20	1100	943	673	403	133
21	1100	938	668	398	128
22	1100	934	664	394	124
23	1100	929	659	389	119
24	1100	925	655	385	115
25	1100	920	650	380	110
26	1100	916	646	376	106
27	1100	911	641	371	101
28	1100	907	637	367	97
29	1100	902	632	362	92
30	1100	898	628	358	88
31	1100	893	623	353	83
32	1100	889	619	349	79
33	1100	884	614	344	74
34	1100	880	610	340	70
35	1100	875	605	335	65
36	1100	871	601	331	61
37	1100	866	596	326	56
38	1100	862	592	322	52
39	1100	857	587	317	47
40	1100	853	583	313	43
41	1100	848	578	308	38
42	1100	844	574	304	34
43	1100	839	569	299	29
44	1100	835	565	295	25
45	1100	830	560	290	20
46	1096	826	556	286	16
47	1091	821	551	281	11
48	1087	817	547	277	7
49	1082	812	542	272	2
50	1078	808	538	268	0
51	1073	803	533	263	0
52	1069	799	529	259	0
53	1064	794	524	254	0
54	1060	790	520	250	0
55	1055	785	515	245	0
56	1051	781	511	241	0
57	1046	776	506	236	0
58	1042	772	502	232	0
59	1037	767	497	227	0

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Table 5A – Intermediate Boys Running – 1000 Meters

Seconds	3	4	5	6
0	1100	788	428	68
1	1100	782	422	62
2	1100	776	416	56
3	1100	770	410	50
4	1100	764	404	44
5	1100	758	398	38
6	1100	752	392	32
7	1100	746	386	26
8	1100	740	380	20
9	1094	734	374	14
10	1088	728	368	8
11	1082	722	362	2
12	1076	716	356	0
13	1070	710	350	0
14	1064	704	344	0
15	1058	698	338	0
16	1052	692	332	0
17	1046	686	326	0
18	1040	680	320	0
19	1034	674	314	0
20	1028	668	308	0
21	1022	662	302	0
22	1016	656	296	0
23	1010	650	290	0
24	1004	644	284	0
25	998	638	278	0
26	992	632	272	0
27	986	626	266	0
28	980	620	260	0
29	974	614	254	0
30	968	608	248	0
31	962	602	242	0
32	956	596	236	0
33	950	590	230	0
34	944	584	224	0
35	938	578	218	0
36	932	572	212	0
37	926	566	206	0
38	920	560	200	0
39	914	554	194	0
40	908	548	188	0
41	902	542	182	0
42	896	536	176	0
43	890	530	170	0
44	884	524	164	0
45	878	518	158	0
46	872	512	152	0
47	866	506	146	0
48	860	500	140	0
49	854	494	134	0
50	848	488	128	0
51	842	482	122	0
52	836	476	116	0
53	830	470	110	0
54	824	464	104	0
55	818	458	98	0
56	812	452	92	0
57	806	446	86	0
58	800	440	80	0
59	794	434	74	0

Table 5B – Novice Boys Running – 1000 Meters

Seconds	3	4	5	6
0	1100	920	560	200
1	1100	914	554	194
2	1100	908	548	188
3	1100	902	542	182
4	1100	896	536	176
5	1100	890	530	170
6	1100	884	524	164
7	1100	878	518	158
8	1100	872	512	152
9	1100	866	506	146
10	1100	860	500	140
11	1100	854	494	134
12	1100	848	488	128
13	1100	842	482	122
14	1100	836	476	116
15	1100	830	470	110
16	1100	824	464	104
17	1100	818	458	98
18	1100	812	452	92
19	1100	806	446	86
20	1100	800	440	80
21	1100	794	434	74
22	1100	788	428	68
23	1100	782	422	62
24	1100	776	416	56
25	1100	770	410	50
26	1100	764	404	44
27	1100	758	398	38
28	1100	752	392	32
29	1100	746	386	26
30	1100	740	380	20
31	1094	734	374	14
32	1088	728	368	8
33	1082	722	362	2
34	1076	716	356	0
35	1070	710	350	0
36	1064	704	344	0
37	1058	698	338	0
38	1052	692	332	0
39	1046	686	326	0
40	1040	680	320	0
41	1034	674	314	0
42	1028	668	308	0
43	1022	662	302	0
44	1016	656	296	0
45	1010	650	290	0
46	1004	644	284	0
47	998	638	278	0
48	992	632	272	0
49	986	626	266	0
50	980	620	260	0
51	974	614	254	0
52	968	608	248	0
53	962	602	242	0
54	956	596	236	0
55	950	590	230	0
56	944	584	224	0
57	938	578	218	0
58	932	572	212	0
59	926	566	206	0

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Table 6 – Pre-Novice and 10 and Under Boys & Girls Running – 500 Meters

Seconds	2	3	4
0	1100	560	20
1	1091	551	11
2	1082	542	2
3	1073	533	0
4	1064	524	0
5	1055	515	0
6	1046	506	0
7	1037	497	0
8	1028	488	0
9	1019	479	0
10	1010	470	0
11	1001	461	0
12	992	452	0
13	983	443	0
14	974	434	0
15	965	425	0
16	956	416	0
17	947	407	0
18	938	398	0
19	929	389	0
20	920	380	0
21	911	371	0
22	902	362	0
23	893	353	0
24	884	344	0
25	875	335	0
26	866	326	0
27	857	317	0
28	848	308	0
29	839	299	0
30	830	290	0
31	821	281	0
32	812	272	0
33	803	263	0
34	794	254	0
35	785	245	0
36	776	236	0
37	767	227	0
38	758	218	0
39	749	209	0
40	740	200	0
41	731	191	0
42	722	182	0
43	713	173	0
44	704	164	0
45	695	155	0
46	686	146	0
47	677	137	0
48	668	128	0
49	659	119	0
50	650	110	0
51	641	101	0
52	632	92	0
53	623	83	0
54	614	74	0
55	605	65	0
56	596	56	0
57	587	47	0
58	578	38	0
59	569	29	0

Table 7 – 8 and Under Boys & Girls Running – 500 Meters

Seconds	2	3	4
0	1100	965	425
1	1100	956	416
2	1100	947	407
3	1100	938	398
4	1100	929	389
5	1100	920	380
6	1100	911	371
7	1100	902	362
8	1100	893	353
9	1100	884	344
10	1100	875	335
11	1100	866	326
12	1100	857	317
13	1100	848	308
14	1100	839	299
15	1100	830	290
16	1100	821	281
17	1100	812	272
18	1100	803	263
19	1100	794	254
20	1100	785	245
21	1100	776	236
22	1100	767	227
23	1100	758	218
24	1100	749	209
25	1100	740	200
26	1100	731	191
27	1100	722	182
28	1100	713	173
29	1100	704	164
30	1100	695	155
31	1100	686	146
32	1100	677	137
33	1100	668	128
34	1100	659	119
35	1100	650	110
36	1100	641	101
37	1100	632	92
38	1100	623	83
39	1100	614	74
40	1100	605	65
41	1100	596	56
42	1100	587	47
43	1100	578	38
44	1100	569	29
45	1100	560	20
46	1091	551	11
47	1082	542	2
48	1073	533	0
49	1064	524	0
50	1055	515	0
51	1046	506	0
52	1037	497	0
53	1028	488	0
54	1019	479	0
55	1010	470	0
56	1001	461	0
57	992	452	0
58	983	443	0
59	974	434	0

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Table 8 – Senior Girls Running – 3000 Meters

Seconds	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
0	1100	920	740	560	380	200	20
1	1097	917	737	557	377	197	17
2	1094	914	734	554	374	194	14
3	1091	911	731	551	371	191	11
4	1088	908	728	548	368	188	8
5	1085	905	725	545	365	185	5
6	1082	902	722	542	362	182	2
7	1079	899	719	539	359	179	0
8	1076	896	716	536	356	176	0
9	1073	893	713	533	353	173	0
10	1070	890	710	530	350	170	0
11	1067	887	707	527	347	167	0
12	1064	884	704	524	344	164	0
13	1061	881	701	521	341	161	0
14	1058	878	698	518	338	158	0
15	1055	875	695	515	335	155	0
16	1052	872	692	512	332	152	0
17	1049	869	689	509	329	149	0
18	1046	866	686	506	326	146	0
19	1043	863	683	503	323	143	0
20	1040	860	680	500	320	140	0
21	1037	857	677	497	317	137	0
22	1034	854	674	494	314	134	0
23	1031	851	671	491	311	131	0
24	1028	848	668	488	308	128	0
25	1025	845	665	485	305	125	0
26	1022	842	662	482	302	122	0
27	1019	839	659	479	299	119	0
28	1016	836	656	476	296	116	0
29	1013	833	653	473	293	113	0
30	1010	830	650	470	290	110	0
31	1007	827	647	467	287	107	0
32	1004	824	644	464	284	104	0
33	1001	821	641	461	281	101	0
34	998	818	638	458	278	98	0
35	995	815	635	455	275	95	0
36	992	812	632	452	272	92	0
37	989	809	629	449	269	89	0
38	986	806	626	446	266	86	0
39	983	803	623	443	263	83	0
40	980	800	620	440	260	80	0
41	977	797	617	437	257	77	0
42	974	794	614	434	254	74	0
43	971	791	611	431	251	71	0
44	968	788	608	428	248	68	0
45	965	785	605	425	245	65	0
46	962	782	602	422	242	62	0
47	959	779	599	419	239	59	0
48	956	776	596	416	236	56	0
49	953	773	593	413	233	53	0
50	950	770	590	410	230	50	0
51	947	767	587	407	227	47	0
52	944	764	584	404	224	44	0
53	941	761	581	401	221	41	0
54	938	758	578	398	218	38	0
55	935	755	575	395	215	35	0
56	932	752	572	392	212	32	0
57	929	749	569	389	209	29	0
58	926	746	566	386	206	26	0
59	923	743	563	383	203	23	0

Table 9 – Junior Girls Running – 2000 Meters

Seconds	8	9	10	11	12
0	1100	830	560	290	20
1	1096	826	556	286	16
2	1091	821	551	281	11
3	1087	817	547	277	7
4	1082	812	542	272	2
5	1078	808	538	268	0
6	1073	803	533	263	0
7	1069	799	529	259	0
8	1064	794	524	254	0
9	1060	790	520	250	0
10	1055	785	515	245	0
11	1051	781	511	241	0
12	1046	776	506	236	0
13	1042	772	502	232	0
14	1037	767	497	227	0
15	1033	763	493	223	0
16	1028	758	488	218	0
17	1024	754	484	214	0
18	1019	749	479	209	0
19	1015	745	475	205	0
20	1010	740	470	200	0
21	1006	736	466	196	0
22	1001	731	461	191	0
23	997	727	457	187	0
24	992	722	452	182	0
25	988	718	448	178	0
26	983	713	443	173	0
27	979	709	439	169	0
28	974	704	434	164	0
29	970	700	430	160	0
30	965	695	425	155	0
31	961	691	421	151	0
32	956	686	416	146	0
33	952	682	412	142	0
34	947	677	407	137	0
35	943	673	403	133	0
36	938	668	398	128	0
37	934	664	394	124	0
38	929	659	389	119	0
39	925	655	385	115	0
40	920	650	380	110	0
41	916	646	376	106	0
42	911	641	371	101	0
43	907	637	367	97	0
44	902	632	362	92	0
45	898	628	358	88	0
46	893	623	353	83	0
47	889	619	349	79	0
48	884	614	344	74	0
49	880	610	340	70	0
50	875	605	335	65	0
51	871	601	331	61	0
52	866	596	326	56	0
53	862	592	322	52	0
54	857	587	317	47	0
55	853	583	313	43	0
56	848	578	308	38	0
57	844	574	304	34	0
58	839	569	299	29	0
59	835	565	295	25	0

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Table 10A – Intermediate Girls Running – 1000 Meters

Seconds	3	4	5	6
0	1100	848	488	128
1	1100	842	482	122
2	1100	836	476	116
3	1100	830	470	110
4	1100	824	464	104
5	1100	818	458	98
6	1100	812	452	92
7	1100	806	446	86
8	1100	800	440	80
9	1100	794	434	74
10	1100	788	428	68
11	1100	782	422	62
12	1100	776	416	56
13	1100	770	410	50
14	1100	764	404	44
15	1100	758	398	38
16	1100	752	392	32
17	1100	746	386	26
18	1100	740	380	20
19	1094	734	374	14
20	1088	728	368	8
21	1082	722	362	2
22	1076	716	356	0
23	1070	710	350	0
24	1064	704	344	0
25	1058	698	338	0
26	1052	692	332	0
27	1046	686	326	0
28	1040	680	320	0
29	1034	674	314	0
30	1028	668	308	0
31	1022	662	302	0
32	1016	656	296	0
33	1010	650	290	0
34	1004	644	284	0
35	998	638	278	0
36	992	632	272	0
37	986	626	266	0
38	980	620	260	0
39	974	614	254	0
40	968	608	248	0
41	962	602	242	0
42	956	596	236	0
43	950	590	230	0
44	944	584	224	0
45	938	578	218	0
46	932	572	212	0
47	926	566	206	0
48	920	560	200	0
49	914	554	194	0
50	908	548	188	0
51	902	542	182	0
52	896	536	176	0
53	890	530	170	0
54	884	524	164	0
55	878	518	158	0
56	872	512	152	0
57	866	506	146	0
58	860	500	140	0
59	854	494	134	0

Table 10B – Novice Girls Running – 1000 Meters

Seconds	3	4	5	6
0	1100	1010	650	290
1	1100	1004	644	284
2	1100	998	638	278
3	1100	992	632	272
4	1100	986	626	266
5	1100	980	620	260
6	1100	974	614	254
7	1100	968	608	248
8	1100	962	602	242
9	1100	956	596	236
10	1100	950	590	230
11	1100	944	584	224
12	1100	938	578	218
13	1100	932	572	212
14	1100	926	566	206
15	1100	920	560	200
16	1100	914	554	194
17	1100	908	548	188
18	1100	902	542	182
19	1100	896	536	176
20	1100	890	530	170
21	1100	884	524	164
22	1100	878	518	158
23	1100	872	512	152
24	1100	866	506	146
25	1100	860	500	140
26	1100	854	494	134
27	1100	848	488	128
28	1100	842	482	122
29	1100	836	476	116
30	1100	830	470	110
31	1100	824	464	104
32	1100	818	458	98
33	1100	812	452	92
34	1100	806	446	86
35	1100	800	440	80
36	1100	794	434	74
37	1100	788	428	68
38	1100	782	422	62
39	1100	776	416	56
40	1100	770	410	50
41	1100	764	404	44
42	1100	758	398	38
43	1100	752	392	32
44	1100	746	386	26
45	1100	740	380	20
46	1094	734	374	14
47	1088	728	368	8
48	1082	722	362	2
49	1076	716	356	0
50	1070	710	350	0
51	1064	704	344	0
52	1058	698	338	0
53	1052	692	332	0
54	1046	686	326	0
55	1040	680	320	0
56	1034	674	314	0
57	1028	668	308	0
58	1022	662	302	0
59	1016	656	296	0

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Chapter 3: Swimming Phase Rules

Article 60: General Rules for Swimming Phase

Current USA Swimming rules for competitive freestyle swimming shall be used to judge any unforeseen circumstances. This includes current regulations regarding proper swimwear.

1. Officials:

The Phase Steward, Referee, Starter, Timekeepers, Lane Judges, Clerk of the Course and others assigned to officiate the swimming phases should be experienced and knowledgeable in their areas of responsibility. The Phase Steward or the Technical Delegate may serve as the referee.

A. The Phase Steward shall:

- 1) Organize the swimming phase including all administrative activities and equipment including but not limited to:
- 2) Arrange for the pool facilities
- 3) Coordinate insurance requirements with Rally Organizer
- 4) Provide stop watches and pencils for timers and a starting signal device for starter
- 5) Provide heat sheets for each division
- 6) Provide competitor cards to record swim time
- 7) Appoint all officials to the swimming phase
- 8) Ensure that the results of the event are promptly made available to the Chief Scorer

B. The Referee:

- 1) Shall have full control and authority over all other officials in the swimming phase and shall approve their assignments and instruct them regarding all special features or regulations related to the Rally. The referee shall enforce all rules and decisions of the Swimming Phase Steward in coordination with the Technical Delegate.
- 2) May intervene in the swimming phase at any stage to ensure that the USPC rules are observed and shall advise the Ground Jury in any protest related to the swimming competition in progress.
- 3) Shall determine placing where the Finish Judge's decision and the times recorded do not agree. Automatic officiating equipment or independent videotape documentation, if available and opecertification, must be consulted.
- 4) Shall ensure that all necessary officials are at their respective posts for the conduct of the competition. May appoint a substitute for any official who is absent, incapable of acting, or found to be incompetent. May appoint additional officials if considered necessary.

- 5) Shall signal to the competitors by a series of short whistles (usually three), at the commencement of each heat, inviting them to remove all clothing except for swimwear. This should be followed by a long whistle indicating that they should take their positions on the back of the starting block or at the edge of the pool or in the pool, as desired by the competitor. When the competitors and the officials are ready for the start, the Referee will indicate to the Starter with stretched out arm that the competitors are now under the Starter's control.

C. The Starter:

- 1) Shall have full control of the competitors from the time the referee turns the competitors over to him/her.
- 2) Shall report a competitor to the referee for delaying the start, for willfully disobeying an order, or for any other misconduct taking place at the start. Only the referee may eliminate a competitor for such a delay.
- 3) Shall have power to decide whether a start is fair, subject only to the decision of the referee. If after the start signal the starter believes that the start was false, the starter shall recall the competitors.
- 4) When starting an event, the starter shall stand on the side of the pool within approximately 5m of the starting end where the timekeepers and the competitors can see and hear the start signal.

D. The Chief Lane Judge shall:

- 1) Ensure that inspectors of turns fulfill their duties.
- 2) Receive the reports from the inspectors of turns if any infringement occurs and shall present them to the referee immediately.

E. Lane Judges shall:

- 1) Be assigned to no more than three lanes at the far end of the pool.
- 2) Ensure that the competitors touch the wall with some part of their body on each turn.
- 3) Report any violation to the Chief Lane Steward who shall immediately convey the report to the referee.

F. The Finish Judge shall:

- 1) Record the order of finish for each heat by lane number and promptly give the results to the Chief.
- 2) The starter may serve as Finish Judge.

G. The Chief Timekeeper shall:

- 1) Conduct a briefing of all timekeepers and assign the positions for all timekeepers and the lanes for which they are responsible. There shall be a minimum of two

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timekeepers for each lane. There shall be two additional timekeepers designated, either of whom shall be directed to replace a timekeeper whose watch does not start or has stopped during the event, or who for any reason is not able to record the time.

- 2) Collect from each timekeeper a card showing the times recorded for the competitor and, if necessary, inspect their watches.
- 3) Record or examine the official time on the card for each lane.

H. The Timekeeper shall:

- 1) Take the time of the competitor in the lane to which assigned.
- 2) Start the watch at the start signal and stop it when the competitor touches the end of the pool, having completed the race.
- 3) Promptly after the race, records the times of all watches on the card, gives it to the chief and, if requested, presents watches for inspection. Watches will not be cleared until the signal to do so is given by the Chief Timekeeper or the Referee.
- 4) Ensure that the competitors touch the wall with some part of their body on each turn.
- 5) Parents may serve as timekeepers but may not time their own child.

I. The Clerk of the Course shall:

- 1) Assemble competitors prior to each heat.
- 2) Not allow any swimmer to go to the starting place whose swimwear is not in accordance with USPC Tetrathlon rules.
- 3) Check and forbid the start of competitors who have used oil or other fat solutions on their bodies.
- 4) Be responsible for ensuring that the competitors are ready for the starter prior to each heat.

2. The Pool:

Scoring is based on a standard pool. The pool must be 25 or 50 yards or meters in length, and have a minimum depth of 1.3 meters. Optimum temperature is 76°-78° F (26° C).

Article 61: Distances

1. The standard swimming distances shall be:

Senior Division	200 yards (or meters)
Junior Division	200 yards (or meters)
Intermediate Division	100 yards (or meters)
Novice Division	100 yards (or meters)
Pre-Novice Division	50 yards (or meters)
10-and-Under Division	50 yards (or meters)
8-and-Under Division	25 yards (or meters)

2. Competitors will be divided into heats by level and by gender.
3. When previous swim times are available, heats will be seeded to allow the greatest opportunity for best times. The fastest swimmers shall swim in the final heat of each division. In each heat, the swimmer with the best time will swim in the center lane of the pool. In a pool with an even number of lanes (6 or 8), the center lane will be 3 or 4, respectively. The swimmer with the next fastest time will be placed to the left of the swimmer with the top speed, then alternate the others right and left in descending order by their swimming times.
4. When no previous time is presented, those swimmers will be seeded in the first/slowest heat of their division.
5. The number of competitors in each heat shall be as equal as possible.

Article 62: Scoring

1. There are separate scoring tables for yards and metric pools.
2. Swimming times earning 1100 points are based on Championships times for age and gender groups.
3. For distances of 200 Yards or Meters, a penalty of six points per second is deducted for each second over the Optimum Time, which earns 1100 points. For all other distances, a penalty of twelve points per second is deducted for each second over the Optimum Time, which earns 1100 points. (*See the following tables.*)
4. A penalty of 20 points will be assessed to a competitor for:
 - A. A false start after two previous false starts in that heat.
 - B. Each time the competitor does not touch the wall during a turn.
5. A competitor will be eliminated and receive a phase score of zero for:
 - A. Willfully delaying the start
 - B. Blatantly attempting to shorten the course by turning short of the end of the pool.
 - C. Walking on the bottom of the pool or advancing by pulling on the side of the pool or on the lane lines.
 - D. Receiving unauthorized assistance in the form of a Coach, parent, or spectator blatantly walking alongside the competitor on the pool deck in such a way as to appear to be pacing the competitor. Calling out split times is considered unauthorized assistance.
6. Cheering and encouragement (including calling the competitor by name) is recommended and encouraged and DOES NOT constitute unauthorized assistance. This is gen-

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erally done from the stands, but it is understood that not all venues will have spectator areas and occasionally spectators will have to be on the pool deck in order to view the competition.

Article 63: Time & Optimum Time

1. Times will be recorded in hundredths of seconds. If more than one watch is used per lane, times between all watches shall be averaged. Once averaged, times recorded to the nearest 1/100th of a second will then be rounded to the nearest second for scoring with .01 to .49 being rounded down to the lower second and .5 to .99 being rounded up to the next higher second. Actual placement of finish and times to 1/100 of a second will be used to determine phase winners.
2. At Regional Rallies it is recommended that two watches be used to time each lane.
3. At National Championships there will be at least two watches used to time each lane. In all cases there shall be at least two back up watches to cover each heat.
4. When electronic timing is used, hand held watches must be used as back up.
5. Optimum Times earning 1100 points in yard pools are:

	BOYS	GIRLS
Senior Division	1 min. 49 sec.	2 min. 00 sec.
Junior Division	1 min. 57 sec.	2 min. 03 sec.
Intermediate and Novice Divisions	58 sec.	1 min. 00 sec.
Pre-Novice Divisions	30 sec.	30 sec.
10-and-Under	30 sec.	30 sec.
8-and-Under	20 sec.	20 sec.

Optimum Times earning 1100 points in meter pools are:

	BOYS	GIRLS
Senior Division	2 min. 05 sec.	2 min. 18 sec.
Junior Division	2 min. 15 sec.	2 min. 21 sec.
Intermediate and Novice Divisions	1 min. 07 sec.	1 min. 09 sec.
Pre-Novice Divisions	35 sec.	35 sec.
10-and-Under	35 sec.	35 sec.
8-and-Under	25 sec.	25 sec.

In the event of a tie, swimmers will be awarded equal points. Ribbons will be awarded based on raw times averaged to the nearest tenth or one-hundredth (if available) of a second.

Article 64: Start of Swimming Phase

1. The International Start Commands shall be used:
 - A. On the long whistle from the referee the competitors shall take their positions on the back of the starting block or at the edge of the pool or in the pool, as desired by the competitor.
 - B. Starter announces the event (example: "This is heat 1, Senior Boys, 200 yards, 8 lengths of the pool.")
 - C. On the starter's command "*Take your marks,*" they shall immediately take up a starting position with at least one foot at the front of the starting block, the edge of the pool or on the wall of the pool.
 - D. When all competitors are stationary, within 3 seconds the starter will then fire a pistol, blow a whistle or use an electronic buzzer to start the race, and will immediately repeat the signal if there is a false start.
2. A drop line is also recommended to stop swimmers following a false start.
3. When started the competitor does not eliminate him/herself by standing on the bottom for the purpose of resting unless he or she walks one or more complete steps. A competitor may hold on to the side or end of the pool or lane lines to rest without disqualification but may not advance when doing so.

Article 65: False starts

1. In the event of a false start, (a swimmer moving or starting to leave the blocks before the start signal is given) the starter will call back all swimmers after the first and second false start. No penalties shall be given at this point.
2. After the second false start the starter shall warn all the competitors in the heat that the race shall proceed at the third attempt.
3. The starter will penalize any offending competitor(s) at the third start, notifying the Phase Steward and chief timekeeper at once. The penalty shall be 20 points, which shall be deducted from the competitor's score in the swimming phase.

Article 66: Swimming Styles

1. A swimmer may swim any style (stroke) or combination of styles (strokes).
2. Rules relating specifically to breaststroke, backstroke, and butterfly swimming shall not apply.
3. The swimmer must touch the end of the pool with some part of the body when finishing.

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Article 67: Turns

Open or flip turns may be used. The competitors must touch the end of the pool with some part of the body on each turn.

Directions on Use of Swimming Tables:

The tables for scoring swimming are found in the Tables Section of this rulebook. To use, read across the top of the table for the minutes and down the first column for the seconds on the appropriate page.

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Table 11 – Senior Boys Swimming – 200 Yards

Seconds	1	2	3	4	5
0	1100	1034	674	314	0
1	1100	1028	668	308	0
2	1100	1022	662	302	0
3	1100	1016	656	296	0
4	1100	1010	650	290	0
5	1100	1004	644	284	0
6	1100	998	638	278	0
7	1100	992	632	272	0
8	1100	986	626	266	0
9	1100	980	620	260	0
10	1100	974	614	254	0
11	1100	968	608	248	0
12	1100	962	602	242	0
13	1100	956	596	236	0
14	1100	950	590	230	0
15	1100	944	584	224	0
16	1100	938	578	218	0
17	1100	932	572	212	0
18	1100	926	566	206	0
19	1100	920	560	200	0
20	1100	914	554	194	0
21	1100	908	548	188	0
22	1100	902	542	182	0
23	1100	896	536	176	0
24	1100	890	530	170	0
25	1100	884	524	164	0
26	1100	878	518	158	0
27	1100	872	512	152	0
28	1100	866	506	146	0
29	1100	860	500	140	0
30	1100	854	494	134	0
31	1100	848	488	128	0
32	1100	842	482	122	0
33	1100	836	476	116	0
34	1100	830	470	110	0
35	1100	824	464	104	0
36	1100	818	458	98	0
37	1100	812	452	92	0
38	1100	806	446	86	0
39	1100	800	440	80	0
40	1100	794	434	74	0
41	1100	788	428	68	0
42	1100	782	422	62	0
43	1100	776	416	56	0
44	1100	770	410	50	0
45	1100	764	404	44	0
46	1100	758	398	38	0
47	1100	752	392	32	0
48	1100	746	386	26	0
49	1100	740	380	20	0
50	1094	734	374	14	0
51	1088	728	368	8	0
52	1082	722	362	2	0
53	1076	716	356	0	0
54	1070	710	350	0	0
55	1064	704	344	0	0
56	1058	698	338	0	0
57	1052	692	332	0	0
58	1046	686	326	0	0
59	1040	680	320	0	0

Table 12 – Senior Boys Swimming – 200 Meters

Seconds	1	2	3	4	5
0	1100	1100	770	410	50
1	1100	1100	764	404	44
2	1100	1100	758	398	38
3	1100	1100	752	392	32
4	1100	1100	746	386	26
5	1100	1100	740	380	20
6	1100	1094	734	374	14
7	1100	1088	728	368	8
8	1100	1082	722	362	2
9	1100	1076	716	356	0
10	1100	1070	710	350	0
11	1100	1064	704	344	0
12	1100	1058	698	338	0
13	1100	1052	692	332	0
14	1100	1046	686	326	0
15	1100	1040	680	320	0
16	1100	1034	674	314	0
17	1100	1028	668	308	0
18	1100	1022	662	302	0
19	1100	1016	656	296	0
20	1100	1010	650	290	0
21	1100	1004	644	284	0
22	1100	998	638	278	0
23	1100	992	632	272	0
24	1100	986	626	266	0
25	1100	980	620	260	0
26	1100	974	614	254	0
27	1100	968	608	248	0
28	1100	962	602	242	0
29	1100	956	596	236	0
30	1100	950	590	230	0
31	1100	944	584	224	0
32	1100	938	578	218	0
33	1100	932	572	212	0
34	1100	926	566	206	0
35	1100	920	560	200	0
36	1100	914	554	194	0
37	1100	908	548	188	0
38	1100	902	542	182	0
39	1100	896	536	176	0
40	1100	890	530	170	0
41	1100	884	524	164	0
42	1100	878	518	158	0
43	1100	872	512	152	0
44	1100	866	506	146	0
45	1100	860	500	140	0
46	1100	854	494	134	0
47	1100	848	488	128	0
48	1100	842	482	122	0
49	1100	836	476	116	0
50	1100	830	470	110	0
51	1100	824	464	104	0
52	1100	818	458	98	0
53	1100	812	452	92	0
54	1100	806	446	86	0
55	1100	800	440	80	0
56	1100	794	434	74	0
57	1100	788	428	68	0
58	1100	782	422	62	0
59	1100	776	416	56	0

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Table 13 – Senior Girls Swimming – 200 Yards

Seconds	1	2	3	4	5
0	1100	1100	740	380	20
1	1100	1094	734	374	14
2	1100	1088	728	368	8
3	1100	1082	722	362	2
4	1100	1076	716	356	0
5	1100	1070	710	350	0
6	1100	1064	704	344	0
7	1100	1058	698	338	0
8	1100	1052	692	332	0
9	1100	1046	686	326	0
10	1100	1040	680	320	0
11	1100	1034	674	314	0
12	1100	1028	668	308	0
13	1100	1022	662	302	0
14	1100	1016	656	296	0
15	1100	1010	650	290	0
16	1100	1004	644	284	0
17	1100	998	638	278	0
18	1100	992	632	272	0
19	1100	986	626	266	0
20	1100	980	620	260	0
21	1100	974	614	254	0
22	1100	968	608	248	0
23	1100	962	602	242	0
24	1100	956	596	236	0
25	1100	950	590	230	0
26	1100	944	584	224	0
27	1100	938	578	218	0
28	1100	932	572	212	0
29	1100	926	566	206	0
30	1100	920	560	200	0
31	1100	914	554	194	0
32	1100	908	548	188	0
33	1100	902	542	182	0
34	1100	896	536	176	0
35	1100	890	530	170	0
36	1100	884	524	164	0
37	1100	878	518	158	0
38	1100	872	512	152	0
39	1100	866	506	146	0
40	1100	860	500	140	0
41	1100	854	494	134	0
42	1100	848	488	128	0
43	1100	842	482	122	0
44	1100	836	476	116	0
45	1100	830	470	110	0
46	1100	824	464	104	0
47	1100	818	458	98	0
48	1100	812	452	92	0
49	1100	806	446	86	0
50	1100	800	440	80	0
51	1100	794	434	74	0
52	1100	788	428	68	0
53	1100	782	422	62	0
54	1100	776	416	56	0
55	1100	770	410	50	0
56	1100	764	404	44	0
57	1100	758	398	38	0
58	1100	752	392	32	0
59	1100	746	386	26	0

Table 14 – Senior Girls Swimming – 200 Meters

Seconds	1	2	3	4	5
0	1100	1100	848	488	128
1	1100	1100	842	482	122
2	1100	1100	836	476	116
3	1100	1100	830	470	110
4	1100	1100	824	464	104
5	1100	1100	818	458	98
6	1100	1100	812	452	92
7	1100	1100	806	446	86
8	1100	1100	800	440	80
9	1100	1100	794	434	74
10	1100	1100	788	428	68
11	1100	1100	782	422	62
12	1100	1100	776	416	56
13	1100	1100	770	410	50
14	1100	1100	764	404	44
15	1100	1100	758	398	38
16	1100	1100	752	392	32
17	1100	1100	746	386	26
18	1100	1100	740	380	20
19	1100	1094	734	374	14
20	1100	1088	728	368	8
21	1100	1082	722	362	2
22	1100	1076	716	356	0
23	1100	1070	710	350	0
24	1100	1064	704	344	0
25	1100	1058	698	338	0
26	1100	1052	692	332	0
27	1100	1046	686	326	0
28	1100	1040	680	320	0
29	1100	1034	674	314	0
30	1100	1028	668	308	0
31	1100	1022	662	302	0
32	1100	1016	656	296	0
33	1100	1010	650	290	0
34	1100	1004	644	284	0
35	1100	998	638	278	0
36	1100	992	632	272	0
37	1100	986	626	266	0
38	1100	980	620	260	0
39	1100	974	614	254	0
40	1100	968	608	248	0
41	1100	962	602	242	0
42	1100	956	596	236	0
43	1100	950	590	230	0
44	1100	944	584	224	0
45	1100	938	578	218	0
46	1100	932	572	212	0
47	1100	926	566	206	0
48	1100	920	560	200	0
49	1100	914	554	194	0
50	1100	908	548	188	0
51	1100	902	542	182	0
52	1100	896	536	176	0
53	1100	890	530	170	0
54	1100	884	524	164	0
55	1100	878	518	158	0
56	1100	872	512	152	0
57	1100	866	506	146	0
58	1100	860	500	140	0
59	1100	854	494	134	0

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Table 15 – Junior Boys Swimming – 200 Yards

Seconds	1	2	3	4	5
0	1100	1082	722	362	2
1	1100	1076	716	356	0
2	1100	1070	710	350	0
3	1100	1064	704	344	0
4	1100	1058	698	338	0
5	1100	1052	692	332	0
6	1100	1046	686	326	0
7	1100	1040	680	320	0
8	1100	1034	674	314	0
9	1100	1028	668	308	0
10	1100	1022	662	302	0
11	1100	1016	656	296	0
12	1100	1010	650	290	0
13	1100	1004	644	284	0
14	1100	998	638	278	0
15	1100	992	632	272	0
16	1100	986	626	266	0
17	1100	980	620	260	0
18	1100	974	614	254	0
19	1100	968	608	248	0
20	1100	962	602	242	0
21	1100	956	596	236	0
22	1100	950	590	230	0
23	1100	944	584	224	0
24	1100	938	578	218	0
25	1100	932	572	212	0
26	1100	926	566	206	0
27	1100	920	560	200	0
28	1100	914	554	194	0
29	1100	908	548	188	0
30	1100	902	542	182	0
31	1100	896	536	176	0
32	1100	890	530	170	0
33	1100	884	524	164	0
34	1100	878	518	158	0
35	1100	872	512	152	0
36	1100	866	506	146	0
37	1100	860	500	140	0
38	1100	854	494	134	0
39	1100	848	488	128	0
40	1100	842	482	122	0
41	1100	836	476	116	0
42	1100	830	470	110	0
43	1100	824	464	104	0
44	1100	818	458	98	0
45	1100	812	452	92	0
46	1100	806	446	86	0
47	1100	800	440	80	0
48	1100	794	434	74	0
49	1100	788	428	68	0
50	1100	782	422	62	0
51	1100	776	416	56	0
52	1100	770	410	50	0
53	1100	764	404	44	0
54	1100	758	398	38	0
55	1100	752	392	32	0
56	1100	746	386	26	0
57	1100	740	380	20	0
58	1094	734	374	14	0
59	1088	728	368	8	0

Table 16 – Junior Boys Swimming – 200 Meters

Seconds	1	2	3	4	5
0	1100	1100	830	470	110
1	1100	1100	824	464	104
2	1100	1100	818	458	98
3	1100	1100	812	452	92
4	1100	1100	806	446	86
5	1100	1100	800	440	80
6	1100	1100	794	434	74
7	1100	1100	788	428	68
8	1100	1100	782	422	62
9	1100	1100	776	416	56
10	1100	1100	770	410	50
11	1100	1100	764	404	44
12	1100	1100	758	398	38
13	1100	1100	752	392	32
14	1100	1100	746	386	26
15	1100	1100	740	380	20
16	1100	1094	734	374	14
17	1100	1088	728	368	8
18	1100	1082	722	362	2
19	1100	1076	716	356	0
20	1100	1070	710	350	0
21	1100	1064	704	344	0
22	1100	1058	698	338	0
23	1100	1052	692	332	0
24	1100	1046	686	326	0
25	1100	1040	680	320	0
26	1100	1034	674	314	0
27	1100	1028	668	308	0
28	1100	1022	662	302	0
29	1100	1016	656	296	0
30	1100	1010	650	290	0
31	1100	1004	644	284	0
32	1100	998	638	278	0
33	1100	992	632	272	0
34	1100	986	626	266	0
35	1100	980	620	260	0
36	1100	974	614	254	0
37	1100	968	608	248	0
38	1100	962	602	242	0
39	1100	956	596	236	0
40	1100	950	590	230	0
41	1100	944	584	224	0
42	1100	938	578	218	0
43	1100	932	572	212	0
44	1100	926	566	206	0
45	1100	920	560	200	0
46	1100	914	554	194	0
47	1100	908	548	188	0
48	1100	902	542	182	0
49	1100	896	536	176	0
50	1100	890	530	170	0
51	1100	884	524	164	0
52	1100	878	518	158	0
53	1100	872	512	152	0
54	1100	866	506	146	0
55	1100	860	500	140	0
56	1100	854	494	134	0
57	1100	848	488	128	0
58	1100	842	482	122	0
59	1100	836	476	116	0

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Table 17 – Junior Girls Swimming – 200 Yards

Seconds	1	2	3	4	5
0	1100	1100	758	398	38
1	1100	1100	752	392	32
2	1100	1100	746	386	26
3	1100	1100	740	380	20
4	1100	1094	734	374	14
5	1100	1088	728	368	8
6	1100	1082	722	362	2
7	1100	1076	716	356	0
8	1100	1070	710	350	0
9	1100	1064	704	344	0
10	1100	1058	698	338	0
11	1100	1052	692	332	0
12	1100	1046	686	326	0
13	1100	1040	680	320	0
14	1100	1034	674	314	0
15	1100	1028	668	308	0
16	1100	1022	662	302	0
17	1100	1016	656	296	0
18	1100	1010	650	290	0
19	1100	1004	644	284	0
20	1100	998	638	278	0
21	1100	992	632	272	0
22	1100	986	626	266	0
23	1100	980	620	260	0
24	1100	974	614	254	0
25	1100	968	608	248	0
26	1100	962	602	242	0
27	1100	956	596	236	0
28	1100	950	590	230	0
29	1100	944	584	224	0
30	1100	938	578	218	0
31	1100	932	572	212	0
32	1100	926	566	206	0
33	1100	920	560	200	0
34	1100	914	554	194	0
35	1100	908	548	188	0
36	1100	902	542	182	0
37	1100	896	536	176	0
38	1100	890	530	170	0
39	1100	884	524	164	0
40	1100	878	518	158	0
41	1100	872	512	152	0
42	1100	866	506	146	0
43	1100	860	500	140	0
44	1100	854	494	134	0
45	1100	848	488	128	0
46	1100	842	482	122	0
47	1100	836	476	116	0
48	1100	830	470	110	0
49	1100	824	464	104	0
50	1100	818	458	98	0
51	1100	812	452	92	0
52	1100	806	446	86	0
53	1100	800	440	80	0
54	1100	794	434	74	0
55	1100	788	428	68	0
56	1100	782	422	62	0
57	1100	776	416	56	0
58	1100	770	410	50	0
59	1100	764	404	44	0

Table 18 – Junior Girls Swimming – 200 Meters

Seconds	1	2	3	4	5
0	1100	1100	866	506	146
1	1100	1100	860	500	140
2	1100	1100	854	494	134
3	1100	1100	848	488	128
4	1100	1100	842	482	122
5	1100	1100	836	476	116
6	1100	1100	830	470	110
7	1100	1100	824	464	104
8	1100	1100	818	458	98
9	1100	1100	812	452	92
10	1100	1100	806	446	86
11	1100	1100	800	440	80
12	1100	1100	794	434	74
13	1100	1100	788	428	68
14	1100	1100	782	422	62
15	1100	1100	776	416	56
16	1100	1100	770	410	50
17	1100	1100	764	404	44
18	1100	1100	758	398	38
19	1100	1100	752	392	32
20	1100	1100	746	386	26
21	1100	1100	740	380	20
22	1100	1094	734	374	14
23	1100	1088	728	368	8
24	1100	1082	722	362	2
25	1100	1076	716	356	0
26	1100	1070	710	350	0
27	1100	1064	704	344	0
28	1100	1058	698	338	0
29	1100	1052	692	332	0
30	1100	1046	686	326	0
31	1100	1040	680	320	0
32	1100	1034	674	314	0
33	1100	1028	668	308	0
34	1100	1022	662	302	0
35	1100	1016	656	296	0
36	1100	1010	650	290	0
37	1100	1004	644	284	0
38	1100	998	638	278	0
39	1100	992	632	272	0
40	1100	986	626	266	0
41	1100	980	620	260	0
42	1100	974	614	254	0
43	1100	968	608	248	0
44	1100	962	602	242	0
45	1100	956	596	236	0
46	1100	950	590	230	0
47	1100	944	584	224	0
48	1100	938	578	218	0
49	1100	932	572	212	0
50	1100	926	566	206	0
51	1100	920	560	200	0
52	1100	914	554	194	0
53	1100	908	548	188	0
54	1100	902	542	182	0
55	1100	896	536	176	0
56	1100	890	530	170	0
57	1100	884	524	164	0
58	1100	878	518	158	0
59	1100	872	512	152	0

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Table 19 – Intermediate & Novice Boys Swimming – 100 Yards

Seconds	0	1	2
0	1100	1076	356
1	1100	1064	344
2	1100	1052	332
3	1100	1040	320
4	1100	1028	308
5	1100	1016	296
6	1100	1004	284
7	1100	992	272
8	1100	980	260
9	1100	968	248
10	1100	956	236
11	1100	944	224
12	1100	932	212
13	1100	920	200
14	1100	908	188
15	1100	896	176
16	1100	884	164
17	1100	872	152
18	1100	860	140
19	1100	848	128
20	1100	836	116
21	1100	824	104
22	1100	812	92
23	1100	800	80
24	1100	788	68
25	1100	776	56
26	1100	764	44
27	1100	752	32
28	1100	740	20
29	1100	728	8
30	1100	716	0
31	1100	704	0
32	1100	692	0
33	1100	680	0
34	1100	668	0
35	1100	656	0
36	1100	644	0
37	1100	632	0
38	1100	620	0
39	1100	608	0
40	1100	596	0
41	1100	584	0
42	1100	572	0
43	1100	560	0
44	1100	548	0
45	1100	536	0
46	1100	524	0
47	1100	512	0
48	1100	500	0
49	1100	488	0
50	1100	476	0
51	1100	464	0
52	1100	452	0
53	1100	440	0
54	1100	428	0
55	1100	416	0
56	1100	404	0
57	1100	392	0
58	1100	380	0
59	1088	368	0

Table 20 – Intermediate & Novice Boys Swimming – 100 Meters

Seconds	0	1	2
0	1100	1100	464
1	1100	1100	452
2	1100	1100	440
3	1100	1100	428
4	1100	1100	416
5	1100	1100	404
6	1100	1100	392
7	1100	1100	380
8	1100	1088	368
9	1100	1076	356
10	1100	1064	344
11	1100	1052	332
12	1100	1040	320
13	1100	1028	308
14	1100	1016	296
15	1100	1004	284
16	1100	992	272
17	1100	980	260
18	1100	968	248
19	1100	956	236
20	1100	944	224
21	1100	932	212
22	1100	920	200
23	1100	908	188
24	1100	896	176
25	1100	884	164
26	1100	872	152
27	1100	860	140
28	1100	848	128
29	1100	836	116
30	1100	824	104
31	1100	812	92
32	1100	800	80
33	1100	788	68
34	1100	776	56
35	1100	764	44
36	1100	752	32
37	1100	740	20
38	1100	728	8
39	1100	716	0
40	1100	704	0
41	1100	692	0
42	1100	680	0
43	1100	668	0
44	1100	656	0
45	1100	644	0
46	1100	632	0
47	1100	620	0
48	1100	608	0
49	1100	596	0
50	1100	584	0
51	1100	572	0
52	1100	560	0
53	1100	548	0
54	1100	536	0
55	1100	524	0
56	1100	512	0
57	1100	500	0
58	1100	488	0
59	1100	476	0

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Table 21 – Intermediate & Novice Girls Swimming – 100 Yards

Seconds	0	1	2
0	1100	1100	380
1	1100	1088	368
2	1100	1076	356
3	1100	1064	344
4	1100	1052	332
5	1100	1040	320
6	1100	1028	308
7	1100	1016	296
8	1100	1004	284
9	1100	992	272
10	1100	980	260
11	1100	968	248
12	1100	956	236
13	1100	944	224
14	1100	932	212
15	1100	920	200
16	1100	908	188
17	1100	896	176
18	1100	884	164
19	1100	872	152
20	1100	860	140
21	1100	848	128
22	1100	836	116
23	1100	824	104
24	1100	812	92
25	1100	800	80
26	1100	788	68
27	1100	776	56
28	1100	764	44
29	1100	752	32
30	1100	740	20
31	1100	728	8
32	1100	716	0
33	1100	704	0
34	1100	692	0
35	1100	680	0
36	1100	668	0
37	1100	656	0
38	1100	644	0
39	1100	632	0
40	1100	620	0
41	1100	608	0
42	1100	596	0
43	1100	584	0
44	1100	572	0
45	1100	560	0
46	1100	548	0
47	1100	536	0
48	1100	524	0
49	1100	512	0
50	1100	500	0
51	1100	488	0
52	1100	476	0
53	1100	464	0
54	1100	452	0
55	1100	440	0
56	1100	428	0
57	1100	416	0
58	1100	404	0
59	1100	392	0

Table 22 – Intermediate & Novice Girls Swimming – 100 Meters

Seconds	0	1	2
0	1100	1100	488
1	1100	1100	476
2	1100	1100	464
3	1100	1100	452
4	1100	1100	440
5	1100	1100	428
6	1100	1100	416
7	1100	1100	404
8	1100	1100	392
9	1100	1100	380
10	1100	1088	368
11	1100	1076	356
12	1100	1064	344
13	1100	1052	332
14	1100	1040	320
15	1100	1028	308
16	1100	1016	296
17	1100	1004	284
18	1100	992	272
19	1100	980	260
20	1100	968	248
21	1100	956	236
22	1100	944	224
23	1100	932	212
24	1100	920	200
25	1100	908	188
26	1100	896	176
27	1100	884	164
28	1100	872	152
29	1100	860	140
30	1100	848	128
31	1100	836	116
32	1100	824	104
33	1100	812	92
34	1100	800	80
35	1100	788	68
36	1100	776	56
37	1100	764	44
38	1100	752	32
39	1100	740	20
40	1100	728	8
41	1100	716	0
42	1100	704	0
43	1100	692	0
44	1100	680	0
45	1100	668	0
46	1100	656	0
47	1100	644	0
48	1100	632	0
49	1100	620	0
50	1100	608	0
51	1100	596	0
52	1100	584	0
53	1100	572	0
54	1100	560	0
55	1100	548	0
56	1100	536	0
57	1100	524	0
58	1100	512	0
59	1100	500	0

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Table 23 – Pre-Novice and 10 and Under Boys and Girls Swimming – 50 Yards

Seconds	0	1	2
0	1100	740	20
1	1100	728	8
2	1100	716	0
3	1100	704	0
4	1100	692	0
5	1100	680	0
6	1100	668	0
7	1100	656	0
8	1100	644	0
9	1100	632	0
10	1100	620	0
11	1100	608	0
12	1100	596	0
13	1100	584	0
14	1100	572	0
15	1100	560	0
16	1100	548	0
17	1100	536	0
18	1100	524	0
19	1100	512	0
20	1100	500	0
21	1100	488	0
22	1100	476	0
23	1100	464	0
24	1100	452	0
25	1100	440	0
26	1100	428	0
27	1100	416	0
28	1100	404	0
29	1100	392	0
30	1100	380	0
31	1088	368	0
32	1076	356	0
33	1064	344	0
34	1052	332	0
35	1040	320	0
36	1028	308	0
37	1016	296	0
38	1004	284	0
39	992	272	0
40	980	260	0
41	968	248	0
42	956	236	0
43	944	224	0
44	932	212	0
45	920	200	0
46	908	188	0
47	896	176	0
48	884	164	0
49	872	152	0
50	860	140	0
51	848	128	0
52	836	116	0
53	824	104	0
54	812	92	0
55	800	80	0
56	788	68	0
57	776	56	0
58	764	44	0
59	752	32	0

Table 24 – Pre-Novice and 10 and Under Boys and Girls Swimming – 50 Meters

Seconds	0	1	2
0	1100	800	80
1	1100	788	68
2	1100	776	56
3	1100	764	44
4	1100	752	32
5	1100	740	20
6	1100	728	8
7	1100	716	0
8	1100	704	0
9	1100	692	0
10	1100	680	0
11	1100	668	0
12	1100	656	0
13	1100	644	0
14	1100	632	0
15	1100	620	0
16	1100	608	0
17	1100	596	0
18	1100	584	0
19	1100	572	0
20	1100	560	0
21	1100	548	0
22	1100	536	0
23	1100	524	0
24	1100	512	0
25	1100	500	0
26	1100	488	0
27	1100	476	0
28	1100	464	0
29	1100	452	0
30	1100	440	0
31	1100	428	0
32	1100	416	0
33	1100	404	0
34	1100	392	0
35	1100	380	0
36	1088	368	0
37	1076	356	0
38	1064	344	0
39	1052	332	0
40	1040	320	0
41	1028	308	0
42	1016	296	0
43	1004	284	0
44	992	272	0
45	980	260	0
46	968	248	0
47	956	236	0
48	944	224	0
49	932	212	0
50	920	200	0
51	908	188	0
52	896	176	0
53	884	164	0
54	872	152	0
55	860	140	0
56	848	128	0
57	836	116	0
58	824	104	0
59	812	92	0

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Table 25 – 8 and Under Boys and Girls Swimming – 25 Yards

Seconds	0	1
0	1100	620
1	1100	608
2	1100	596
3	1100	584
4	1100	572
5	1100	560
6	1100	548
7	1100	536
8	1100	524
9	1100	512
10	1100	500
11	1100	488
12	1100	476
13	1100	464
14	1100	452
15	1100	440
16	1100	428
17	1100	416
18	1100	404
19	1100	392
20	1100	380
21	1088	368
22	1076	356
23	1064	344
24	1052	332
25	1040	320
26	1028	308
27	1016	296
28	1004	284
29	992	272
30	980	260
31	968	248
32	956	236
33	944	224
34	932	212
35	920	200
36	908	188
37	896	176
38	884	164
39	872	152
40	860	140
41	848	128
42	836	116
43	824	104
44	812	92
45	800	80
46	788	68
47	776	56
48	764	44
49	752	32
50	740	20
51	728	8
52	716	0
53	704	0
54	692	0
55	680	0
56	668	0
57	656	0
58	644	0
59	632	0

Table 26 – 8 and Under Boys and Girls Swimming – 25 Meters

Seconds	0	1
0	1100	680
1	1100	668
2	1100	656
3	1100	644
4	1100	632
5	1100	620
6	1100	608
7	1100	596
8	1100	584
9	1100	572
10	1100	560
11	1100	548
12	1100	536
13	1100	524
14	1100	512
15	1100	500
16	1100	488
17	1100	476
18	1100	464
19	1100	452
20	1100	440
21	1100	428
22	1100	416
23	1100	404
24	1100	392
25	1100	380
26	1088	368
27	1076	356
28	1064	344
29	1052	332
30	1040	320
31	1028	308
32	1016	296
33	1004	284
34	992	272
35	980	260
36	968	248
37	956	236
38	944	224
39	932	212
40	920	200
41	908	188
42	896	176
43	884	164
44	872	152
45	860	140
46	848	128
47	836	116
48	824	104
49	812	92
50	800	80
51	788	68
52	776	56
53	764	44
54	752	32
55	740	20
56	728	8
57	716	0
58	704	0
59	692	0

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Article 68: General Rules for the Shooting Phase

1. Unforeseen cases shall be judged by ISSF Pistol Rules for air pistol shooting at 10 meters.
2. Target control is the responsibility of the shooting Steward, the scorers and the range officer. It is recommended that the shooters be given their targets as they go on the range. On command from the range officer, shooters or Coaches should put up their own targets but must not touch targets that have been fired upon.
3. The air or CO₂ pistol, if handled improperly, is as dangerous as any firearm. Appropriate safety procedures and pistols control will be observed at all times.

Article 69: Equipment

1. *General:* All shooting equipment not mentioned in these rules, or which is contrary to these rules and regulations, is forbidden.
2. *Turn in and inspection:*
 - A. All pistols must be turned in to the Organizer at the beginning of the Rally or at the time designated by the Organizer.
 - B. All pistols must be presented in a case with the competitor's name and Club/Center clearly marked. Locked cases are recommended. The key will remain with the competitor.
 - C. The Shooting Steward has the right to and will examine all pistols and equipment prior to the beginning of the shooting phase. The competitor must be present for the inspection. All equipment must fit all the following specifications.
3. *Pistol:* Any type of compressed air or CO₂ pistol is permitted which does not exceed the following specifications:
 - A. Pistols will be .177 caliber (4.5 mm). Pellets must be of soft lead or similar composition. Pellets designated for target "match" shooting are recommended. Projectiles of steel or other hard metals in any shape or form are strictly prohibited.
 - B. Trigger pull on all guns with trigger pressure adjustment capability must have a minimum of 500 grams, weighted with the barrel in a vertical position.
 - C. Thumb rests and hand heel rests are permitted, provided they conform to the overall dimensions required in paragraph E.
 - D. No part of the grip or accessories is permitted to encircle the hand beyond the limits of the dimensions in paragraph E.
 - E. The air pistol with all accessories must fit into a box that has inside dimensions of 420 mm long x 200 mm wide x 50 mm deep.

- F. Barrel or balancing weights may not extend beyond the muzzle of the air pistol.
- G. Maximum total weight, ready to shoot, 1500 grams (3.3 lbs.).
- H. Pistols should be single shot. Multiple shot pistols may be used but must be loaded in such a manner so that there is only one pellet in the magazine at any given time.

Article 70: Sights

1. Correcting lenses may not be attached to the air pistol in either the rear or the front sights. Correcting lenses, if required, must be worn by the shooter.
2. Only open rear sights are allowed. The front sight may be post and blade type only. The front sight may be protected and shaded by a tube located directly over the muzzle and may not extend beyond the muzzle of the air pistol.

Article 71: Targets

1. The targets used will be the ISSF Approved 10-Meter Air Pistol Target.
2. Distance from the firing line to the target shall be 10 meters.
3. Targets shall be placed in a row, with the center edge of the target 55 inches above the ground.
4. Targets should be pre-marked with competitor's name and number.

Article 72: Course

1. For Pre-Novice, Novice, Intermediate, Juniors, and Seniors, the course will consist of 20 shots slow fire to be fired in 4 strings of 5 shots at 3 minutes per string.
 - A. For 10-and-under and 8-and-under divisions, shoot a 10-shot competition. The course would consist of 10 shots slow fire to be fired in two strings of five shots at three minutes per string. For scoring purposes, each target of five shots would be multiplied by two to determine the target score, which is applied to the scoring table.

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2. Coaching is allowed during the firing of sighting shots, but is not allowed during shooting for record. Loaders may be used if desired, but they must not speak to or communicate in any way with the competitors during the actual firing for record. A competitor receiving any form of coaching during the time of record fire will be eliminated.
3. If a loader interferes with another competitor at any time on the shooting line, the loader will be removed from the shooting line. The competitor interfered with will be given the opportunity to retake any shots that were affected. The competitor that was being assisted by the loader may be eliminated if, in the judgment of the range officer and the Phase Steward, it was a deliberate incident.

Article 73: Pistols Control

1. All air pistols shall be turned in to the Organizer of the Rally by the competitor, Chaperone or team Coach upon arrival at the Rally or at the time designated by the Organizer.
2. The air pistol will be reissued for the shooting phase only and then recollected until the end of the Rally.
3. The control site for the air pistols will be a locked area. If possible the control site should be climate controlled.

Article 74: Range Safety

Target shooting is a very safe sport. However, it is safe only when proper precautions are taken and appropriate rules are followed. Safety is the foremost concern in all shooting sports. The safety of competitors, competition officials and spectators requires constant, disciplined attention to safe gun handling. Applicable safety rules for Progressive-Position Pistol competitions include both these Rules and the Safety Rules for Air Pistol Ranges. Every competitor is responsible for following all established safety rules and safe pistol-handling procedures. A competitor who handles a pistol in an unsafe manner or who violates safety rules may be disqualified. All pistols must be handled with maximum care at all times. When handling a pistol, care must be taken to keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction and the pistol action open. All pistols must be cleared and either cased or benched, and no one may touch or handle a pistol while there is someone downrange. When uncased pistols are being moved from one place to another on the range, or when they are required to be cleared and benched, a Clear Barrel Indicator (CBI) must be inserted in the bore so that at least one inch of the line is visible at both the breech and muzzle ends. A CBI can be made from a piece of string trimmer line (preferably orange, but any color will suffice) of 0.09 inches in diameter. This size is flexible enough to be inserted through the breech of most air guns; yet it is stiff enough to push a pellet out of the bore. This Rule does apply to spring-piston air pistols.

Competent technical authorities have determined that low velocity air guns (muzzle velocity less than approximately 600 feet per second) are not damaged by discharging them without a pellet. All known target air pistols fall within this category.

1. The **Shooting Phase Steward** will appoint a **Range Officer** who will direct all firing and be responsible for safety on the firing line. The Shooting Phase Steward may serve as the Range Officer.

2. Failure to comply with any of the following rules will result in elimination and incur maximum penalties (a zero (0) score):

- A. Pistols shall be pointed downrange at all times.
- B. Pistols shall be cleared and benched while anyone is downrange.
- C. No pistols or equipment may be handled, in any way, when anyone is downrange.
- D. The command "cease fire" must be obeyed instantly, whether given by the Range Officer or by anyone observing unsafe conditions either on the firing line or downrange.
- E. No one shall go forward of the firing line until authorized by the Range Officer. Pistols shall not be loaded until the command "load" is given by the Range Officer.

F. Load

Pistols may be loaded only on the firing line. Pistols may be loaded only after the command **LOAD** or **START** is given.

G. Start

Competitors may begin to fire at their targets only after the Range Officer gives the command **START**. Any shot fired before the command **START** in a competition will be penalized Ten (10) points on the first target. The command **START** must only be used to signal the start of shooting time; never to begin a preparation period or other activity where live-fire shooting is not permitted.

H. Stop

When the command **STOP** or **STOP-UNLOAD** is given, all shooting must stop immediately, pistols must be made safe in accordance with Article 74, above, and pistols must be placed on the firing point with the muzzles pointed down range. Any shot fired after the command **STOP** in a competition must be scored as a miss and the highest scored pellet hole will not be counted.

I. Loaded Air Pistol

If a competitor has a loaded pistol after the command **STOP** is given, the competitor must retain his or her grip on the gun and inform the Range Officer immediately by raising his or her other hand and declaring "**Loaded Pistol**."

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The Range Officer will then direct the competitor to clear the pistol by firing it into a pellet discharge container or towards an area of the backstop where there are no targets. The CBI can also be used to push the pellet from the barrel. Note: Many ranges utilize a metal can or similar container filled with paper or other soft material that has masking or duct tape over the open end and a handle that allows the Range Officer to hold the Pellet Discharge Container (PDC) in front of the muzzle of a loaded pistol.

J. Removing Pistol From Firing Line

Every pistol must be made safe by opening the cocking lever, bolt, or loading port and inserting the CBI before removing it from the firing line. Any pistol that remains loaded must be unloaded before it can be removed from the firing line. No pistol may be removed from the firing line during or after a competition until it is cleared by a Range Officer.

K. Range Safety Emergency

Any person who observes an unsafe situation anywhere on the range must notify a Range Officer immediately. If a Range Officer is not immediately available, any person may command **STOP** in a safety emergency where there is not sufficient time to call a range officer.

L. Safety Glasses

Safety glasses are mandatory. All Competitors, shooting officials and loaders must wear safety glasses while in the area of the shooting line.

M. Personal Hygiene

All competitors and other personnel who handle lead pellets are urged to not handle food during shooting and to thoroughly wash their hands immediately after completing shooting.

3. All shooting officials and loaders must wear safety glasses while in the area of the shooting line.

Article 75: Practice

1. There will be a practice period for Novices, Intermediates, Juniors and Seniors not to exceed 5 minutes. Competitors may shoot as many rounds as they choose during the 5 minute warmup period.
2. Coaching is allowed only during the practice phase of shooting.

Article 76: Shooting Position

1. Age: 8 and Under

- A. Athlete may be seated or standing,
- B. 1 or 2 hands on the grip. Athletes are encouraged to progress to a one-handed position as soon as they may safely do so considering the size of the grip and weight

of the pistol. The grip (and hands) may be rested on a firm support or a counterbalanced T stand.

- C. If a firm support is used, the shooter may rest any part of either or both hands and the butt of the pistol on the supporting material. The firm support should be designed to provide an erect position with proper sight alignment and extended arm.



- D. If the T stand is used, the support point may be anywhere between elbow and muzzle. The competitor's shooting arm must be fully extended, with the sights at eye level. The nonfiring hand may provide support for the firing hand or the butt of the pistol.

2. Age Group 10 and Under

Athlete is standing. One hand on grip, supported by a T Stand or similar counterbalance support. T Stand or similar counterbalance provides support between elbow and muzzle. The competitor's shooting arm must be fully extended, with the sights at eye level.

3. Two-Handed

Novice and Pre-Novice Division:

- A. The shooter must shoot from a standing position, with the pistol held with both hands. The pistol must be supported entirely by the strength of the shooter. No artificial support of any kind is allowed.
- B. The competitor's shooting arm must be fully extended, with the sights at eye level.
- C. The shooter's non-firing hand will be used to provide support for the firing hand. The support hand may contact any part of the shooting hand and wrist.

4. One-Handed

Senior, Junior, Intermediate Divisions:

- A. The shooter must shoot from a standing position, with the pistol held with only one hand. The pistol must be supported entirely by the strength of the shooter. No artificial support of any kind is allowed.
- B. The competitor's shooting arm must be extended, with the sights at eye level.
- C. The shooter's non-firing hand and arm may not contact any part of the firing hand or arm.

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Article 77: Hit Scoring

1. The value of a shot is determined by the outer edges of the pellet hole.
2. If the edge of the pellet hole cuts or marks the outside of the scoring ring, the shot will be given the higher value.
3. In case of keyholed or tipped shots, the higher value will be awarded if the edge of the bullet hole touches the scoring ring of the higher value, even if the hole is elongated to the pellet's length, rather than a circle.
4. In the event of an elongated tear that leaves a flap of paper, the scorer should determine the hit location of the pellet and score the shot based on where the pellet hit, not where the tear ends.
5. In the event that there are less than 5 shots in a target and there is a hole that is larger than what is normally made by one shot, then it should be assumed the missing shot went through the larger hole. If in doubt, zeros should be verified by the shooting Steward.
6. On a line of slow fire, all shots by the competitor after the command to "Commence Firing" will be counted in the score even if the air pistol is accidentally discharged.
7. Hits on the wrong target are scored as misses. In case of excessive hits (more than five) by the competitor on a target, the five shots of the lowest value will be scored. If more than five shots appear on the target and it is clear that the **extra shots could not have been fired by the competitor**, then the lowest shot will be deducted from the total score on that target. The Phase Steward and Technical Delegate will make this decision.
8. A magnifying glass or scoring gauge will be used to determine difficult cases.

Article 78: Scoring

1. Scoring shall be done after each five shots.
2. The maximum score is 1100 points. See the conversion chart to determine how to convert the total target points to Tetrathlon points.
3. After each string, when all pistols are cleared and benched, on the command of the range officer, competitors may move forward to examine their targets.
4. Any question as to the number of scoring shots is to be determined at this time. If a competitor touches a target, the score for that target will not count.

Article 79: Malfunctions

1. In case of malfunction, the competitor shall be given additional time to fire remaining rounds.
2. The malfunction shall be a failure of equipment, NOT to include:
 - A. Errors made by the competitor in loading such as:
 - 1) inserting wrong caliber pellet;
 - 2) inserting pellet backwards;
 - 3) leaving safety on.
 - B. Running out of gas with CO₂ pistols.
3. In case of low pressure for either air or CO₂ pistols, the shot will be scored if it leaves the barrel. A change of gas cartridge is allowed, but no alibi will be awarded.
4. Competitors may change pistols at any time during the Rally, but they may NOT keep a loaded pistol on the bench.

Article 80: The Series

1. The Range Officer shall determine that the range is clear before admitting competitors to the firing lane.
2. The following commands shall be used both in practice and in competition. The commands shall be used for all divisions.

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Table 27
Target Points Conversion Chart

* 20 shots on a 10 Meter Air pistol ten-ringed target can give maximum 200 shooting points. * 165 shooting points is equal to 1100 Tetrathlon points. The entire bulls eye is worth 10 pts. The very smallest center is used to break ties.

Target Points	Score	Target Points	Score	Target Points	Score	Target Points	Score
200	1100	151	1004	101	660	50	309
199	1100	150	997	100	653	49	303
198	1100	149	990	99	646	48	296
197	1100	148	983	98	639	47	289
196	1100	147	976	97	633	46	282
195	1100	146	969	96	626	45	275
194	1100	145	963	95	619	44	268
193	1100	144	956	94	612	43	261
192	1100	143	949	93	605	42	254
191	1100	142	942	92	598	41	248
190	1100	141	935	91	591	40	241
189	1100	140	928	90	584	39	234
188	1100	139	921	89	578	38	227
187	1100	138	914	88	571	37	220
186	1100	137	908	87	564	36	213
185	1100	136	901	86	557	35	206
184	1100	135	894	85	550	34	199
183	1100	134	887	84	543	33	193
182	1100	133	880	83	536	32	186
181	1100	132	873	82	529	31	179
180	1100	131	866	81	523	30	172
179	1100	130	859	80	516	29	165
178	1100	129	853	79	509	28	158
177	1100	128	846	78	502	27	151
176	1100	127	839	77	495	26	144
175	1100	126	832	76	488	25	138
174	1100	125	825	75	481	24	131
173	1100	124	818	74	474	23	124
172	1100	123	811	73	468	22	117
171	1100	122	804	72	461	21	110
170	1100	121	798	71	454	20	103
169	1100	120	791	70	447	19	96
168	1100	119	784	69	440	18	89
167	1100	118	777	68	433	17	83
166	1100	117	770	67	426	16	76
165	1100	116	763	66	419	15	69
164	1093	115	756	65	413	14	62
163	1086	114	749	64	406	13	55
162	1079	113	743	63	399	12	48
161	1073	112	736	62	392	11	41
160	1066	111	729	61	385	10	34
159	1059	110	722	60	378	9	28
158	1052	109	715	59	371	8	21
157	1045	108	708	58	364	7	14
156	1038	107	701	57	358	6	7
155	1031	106	694	56	351	5	0
155	1031	105	688	55	344	4	0
154	1024	104	681	54	337	3	0
153	1018	103	674	53	330	2	0
152	1011	102	667	52	323	1	0
				51	316	0	0

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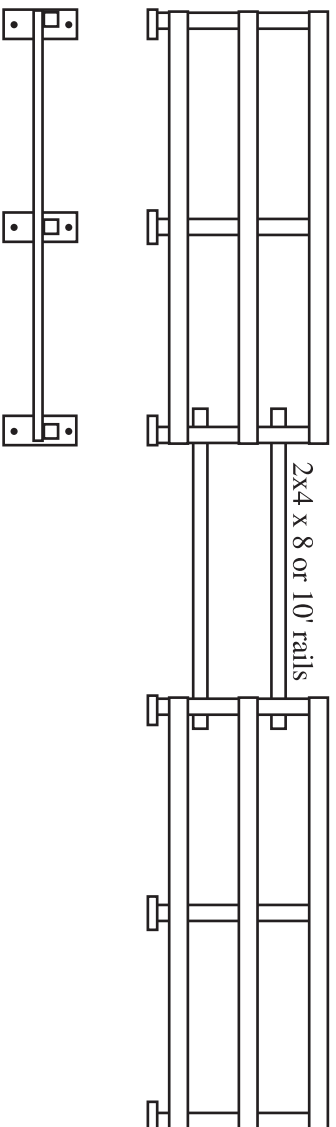
Table 28
Shooting Commands for Novices, Intermediates, Juniors and Seniors

COMMAND	ACTION
"Competitors move to the firing line. You may handle your pistols."	<i>Competitors prepare themselves and pistols.</i>
"Practice period. Ten rounds in 5 minutes."	<i>Supervised practice.</i>
"Is the line ready?"	<i>Anyone not ready or with questions should notify the Range Officer.</i>
"Commence firing."	
"Cease firing."	<i>Any time this command is given, ALL firing must STOP IMMEDIATELY.</i>
"Clear and bench all pistols."	<i>All pistols should be empty, breach open, locked, and on the bench pointing downrange.</i>
"Is the line clear?"	<i>Anyone not completely clear shall speak up.</i>
"The line is clear. Go forward and inspect targets."	<i>Targets are prepared for record fire.</i>
"Is the range clear?"	<i>The Range Officer satisfies himself that all personnel are behind the firing line.</i>
"The range is clear. You may handle your pistols and LOAD."	<i>One or two minutes are allowed for preparation.</i>
"On the line for your first string of record fire."	
"Five rounds in three minutes."	
"Is the line ready?"	
"The line is ready. Commence firing."	<i>Competitors fire five rounds, reloading without command at their own pace.</i>
"Cease firing."	<i>ALL firing shall STOP IMMEDIATELY.</i>
"Are there any alibis?"	<i>Any competitor who has cause to ask for additional firing time must do so at this time. The condition that caused firing to cease must still exist. If the Range Officer validates the alibi, the competitor will be given time to fire remaining rounds, at ONE minute per round.</i>
"Clear and bench all pistols."	
"Is the line clear?"	
"The line is clear. Scorer, go forward and collect targets. Competitors go forward and put up next targets."	<i>Competitors shall NOT touch targets already fired upon and shall remain one meter away from the targets until they have been removed. Scorer will inspect the new targets before the next string begins.</i>

Appendix I

Build a USPC Slip Rail Fence

Wings 6' - 8' wide



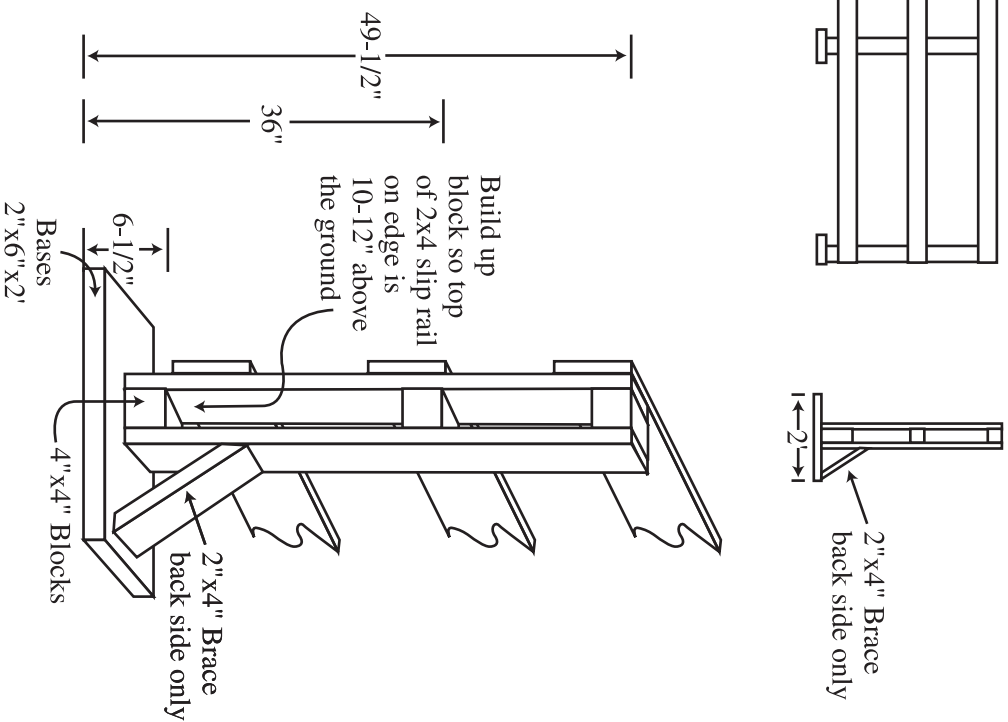
INSTRUCTIONS:

These plans meet specifications found in current Tetrathlon Rules. Other designs may also meet specifications.

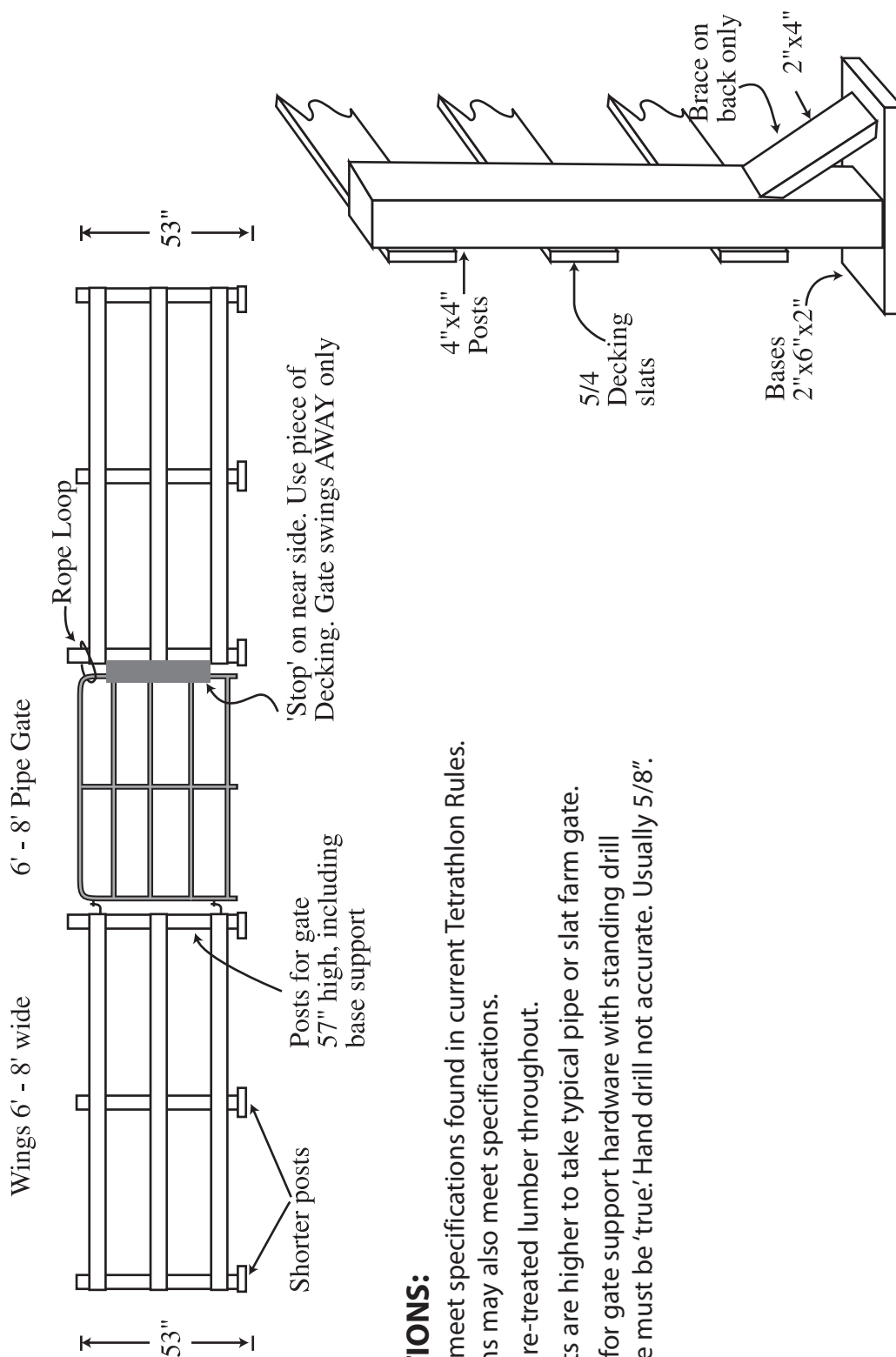
- Use pressure-treated lumber throughout.
- Fasten slats (decking) to 4 x 4 posts w/four 2-1/2" drywall screws.
- Predrill and counter sink screws and/or nail holes.
- Fasten bases (2" x 6" x 2') to bottom of posts with 4" - 5" spikes.
- For stability, drill 3/4" holes near outside edges of bases and drive in 2' x 1 1/2" rebar with top 3" bent at 90 degrees. Requires acetylene torch. Two per wing should be enough.

MATERIALS NEEDED:

- 4 ea. 8' x 4 x 4 (four outside posts)
- 5 ea. 8' x 2 x 4 (two for rails, two cut in half for inside posts, 1 for braces.
- 2 ea. 8' x 2 x 6 (six bases – two left over for gate wing bases)
- 6 ea. 8' x 5/4 Decking



Build a USPC Tetrathlon Gate



INSTRUCTIONS:

These plans meet specifications found in current Tetrathlon Rules. Other designs may also meet specifications.

- Use pressure-treated lumber throughout.
- Inside posts are higher to take typical pipe or slat farm gate.
- Drill holes for gate support hardware with standing drill press. These must be 'true.' Hand drill not accurate. Usually 5/8".

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Appendix II

Selection Procedure for International Tetrathlon Teams

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

The announcement for applications for the USPC International Tetrathlon Team will be made on the USPC website. You may also obtain application information via e-mail at activities@ponyclub.org

When the competition is overseas, applicant must:

- Be 16 years old as of January 1 in the year of the exchange.
- Be a C-3 Trad/HSE Pony Club member by the date of the application and be an active member in good standing with his/her local club/center and region.
- Have experience in Eventing at training level or above.
- Have strong experience riding unfamiliar mounts over fences successfully.
- Possess the personal qualities of a good ambassador of USPC and the USA.
- Submit a complete application on time and provide required reference forms to DC/CA, RS and one other Pony Club official (RIC, HMO, NE, etc.).
- All applicants will be responsible for ensuring all reference forms are returned to the Tetrathlon Committee Chair by the specified deadline and to confirm receipt of the application and references before the deadline expiration.
- If candidate has been a member of a previous International team, he/she must have the recommendation of the Coach/Chaperone of that trip in addition to those required above.

When the USPC is hosting an International Exchange and additional teams are entered:

- Teams two and beyond will be filled in order of score by those who tried out for but did not make the first team. Remaining open slots on additional teams entered will be filled by those meeting International-level qualifying standards of age 16 and older on January 1 of the exchange year and a certification of C-1 Trad/HSE or higher by the application deadline. Teams two and beyond will be designated "National" teams. They will participate fully with the International Teams in Exchange competition and will be eligible for all team and individual awards.

TEAM SELECTION:

Ambassadorship is a critical component, especially when sending a team overseas. This encompasses all areas of participation, i.e., team interaction and support, responsibility, maturity, good social judgment, and good sportsmanship. The team will be selected from the list of those applicants meeting the ambassadorship criteria. The team may be selected from verifiable performance records, or at a Selec-

tion Trial. The team selection method will be included in the Exchange announcement and in the application information.

- An independent three-to-five-member panel will review all applications and reference forms, evaluating ambassadorship and horsemanship on a pass/fail basis.
- The panel will be selected by the Tetrathlon Chair, subject to approval of the International Competitive Exchange Chair and Vice President Activities.
- No panel member may have a child who is a candidate.
- Readers may invite comments from others who know the candidate, if they believe information at hand is incomplete or not sufficiently up-to-date.
- References will be confidential in order to encourage candid responses.
- Chaperone/host family evaluation may be requested.
- The decision process may, if felt necessary, include a conference call involving the panel members to discuss the applications and reach a group decision.
- The panel will provide the Tetrathlon Committee with a list of those who meet the ambassadorship requirement, and the panel's decision will be considered final.
- Candidates must be willing and available to meet as a team for a training period prior to traveling.
- An announcement will be made of the four male and four female athletes comprising the teams. The fifth and sixth athletes for each will be designated as first and second alternates.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

- Selected candidates must sign and adhere to the Code of Conduct for International Exchange Team Members.
- Selected candidates must obtain a valid passport.
- If the International Exchange is held in the US, International team members must provide their own mounts for the riding phase and provide rides for International visitors. If they choose not to make their own mounts available, arrangements for a suitable mount must be made well in advance and such information conveyed to the Tetrathlon Chair. Cost, feed, transportation, and any required insurance, etc., are the responsibility of the US team member. Should the arrangements not materialize, the US team member must make own mount available without question.
- An effort will be made by Tetrathlon Committee members and team candidates to raise funds to underwrite the cost of the trip for the Pony Club members, Chaperone, and Coach. If there are insufficient funds, the Tetrathletes will be responsible for their share, payable before the start of the trip.

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Appendix III Guidelines for Coaching Tetrathlon

*Photocopy as needed. One copy should be given to the Coach;
a signed copy should be retained by the Organizer.*

By agreeing to serve as a USPC Chaperone, you:

- Agree to be familiar with and observe all USPC By-Laws, Policies and Competition Rules.
- Agree to adhere to the USPC Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Policies in all your actions and decisions.
- Agree to disclose any possible potential conflicts of interest.
- Agree to conduct yourself in a fair and courteous manner.
- Agree to the confidentiality of discussions and actions.
- Give permission for a criminal background check.
- Agree to uphold USPC Policy 0500 Drug/ Alcohol/Tobacco. Chaperones must refrain from using alcohol or other substances when they are serving in their "official capacity" as team Chaperone – refer to USPC web site ponyclub.org for full policy statement.

All teams and individuals **may** have Phase Coaches.

All Coaches must be familiar with Pony Club and Tetrathlon, the riding phase rules and scoring, and may be asked to assist competitors in learning the rules prior to Rally.

All Coaches must wear identification provided by the Organizer during the Rally times.

Communication between Coaches and competitors is limited to:

1. Official briefings
2. Course walks
3. Warm-up
4. Schooling times provided during a multi-day Rally
5. Horse matching sessions when a strange mount must be borrowed
6. Brief critique following the jumping phase

Coaches must:

1. Attend the official briefing
2. Attend the official course walk
3. Attend any other briefing or walk required

Duties as pertained to the jumping phase:

1. Observing, but not participating in, any pre-competitive soundness checks
2. Assist in matching if a borrowed mount must be used
3. Accompany competitors during the course inspection or at any other subsequent times the courses are open for walking, during which time Coaches may give advice.
4. Assist competitors in the designated schooling/warm-up area.

5. Short debriefing of competitors after they exit the competition area, if desired by competitor
6. May, if needed, lead/assist getting the competitor's mount through the in-gate
7. May request an adjustment of tack. If granted the competitor must return to Horse Management for a safety check on the adjustment.

The Coach may not interfere with the immediate care of the mount under penalty of elimination of the competitor from that phase, in accordance with the rules of unauthorized assistance.

SPIRIT OF COACHING

The role of a Coach is to assist the competitor

1. In learning warm-up area techniques,
2. In the assessment of the running and riding courses and shooting range condition,
3. In learning how to deal with mistakes made.
4. In learning the rules of competition before competition begins.

The presence of a Coach at a Tetrathlon Rally is to promote safety, good sportsmanship during all phases and good horsemastership in the warm-up area and during the riding phase.

A Pony Club Coach is expected to help any Pony Club competitor who asks for help or who is present without a Coach.

The Coach is not present to give a riding lesson in the warm up area.

All Phase Coaches must sign that they have read this sheet:

I _____ have read the USPC Tetrathlon rules and above guidelines for coaching.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____ *Cell phone:* _____

Email: _____

Please list the competitors whom you are coaching and in what phase:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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Appendix IV

USPC Tetrathlon Rally

Technical Delegate's Evaluation and Report

Region: _____ Rally Date: _____
Rally Levels: _____ # of Teams/Competitors per level: _____
Chief Horse Management Judge: _____
Organizer's Name: _____ Telephone: (____) _____
Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
TDs Name: _____ Telephone: (____) _____
Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Yes No

_____ Did you have a CURRENT copy of the USPC Rules for Tetrathlon?
_____ Was the entire Rally conducted according to these rules?
_____ Did Horse Management function according to the rules?
_____ Did you have any problem with a stated rule?
_____ Did you have a situation for which there was no stated rule?
_____ Did you or your representative conduct a field inspection?
_____ Were suggestions made at the inspection visit carried out?
_____ Did the Organizer prepare a program (maps, order of go, etc.)?
_____ Were qualified medical personnel and equipment (EMT, ambulance) on grounds during mounted activities and on call at all times?
_____ Did Competitors display USPC Medical Armbands/Bracelets in compliance with USPC Policy?
_____ Were any accidents reported? (Please attach a copy of the accident report)
_____ Were horse services available? Vet / farrier on grounds on call (circle one)
_____ Were communications adequate for all phases?
_____ Where the lines visible to the competitors and officials?
_____ Were the facilities suitable for all phases?
a) warm-up area yes no c) parking yes no
b) cool-out area yes no
_____ Was a public telephone available?
_____ Were there enough:
a) toilets yes no c) trash cans yes no
b) concession stands yes no d) necessary equipment yes no
_____ Were Coaches/Chaperones forms signed?
_____ Were briefings held for:
a) Chaperones yes no on time d) Judges yes no on time
b) Coaches yes no on time e) Competitors yes no on time
c) Stewards yes no on time f) Scorer / Timer yes no on time
_____ Were sufficient personnel provided to manage all phases?
_____ Were the Organizers and other officials friendly and supportive to competitors and each other?
_____ Were you satisfied with accommodations for horses?
a) stabling/tie area yes no c) water yes no
b) feed/hay/bedding supply yes no d) other yes no

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____ Were you satisfied with accommodations for officials?

a) housing	yes	no	c) transportation	yes	no
b) food/drink	yes	no	d) officials area near competition sites	yes	no

____ Were the courses appropriate for the levels?

____ Was the Rally a learning experience for all competitors?

REMARKS: If any of the above were "No" or questionable, please explain on a separate sheet of paper.

HORSE MANAGEMENT REVIEW:

As the Technical Delegate, you are charged with the first level of reviewing the decisions in Horse Management. Under the rules of competition, the initial protest from the decision of the Chief Horse Management Judge is to the Technical Delegate. A protest can only be made by the team or individual competitor against whom an adverse decision is made. Therefore if a protest comes to you to reconsider the decision of the Chief Horse Management Judge and you do **NOT** sustain the decision of the judge, the protest is concluded. If you do sustain the Chief Horse Management Judge, then a protest can be placed before the Ground Jury.

It is essential that we find out your evaluation of the Horse Management program at this Rally. Please answer the following questions:

1. How many Assistant Horse Management Judges were used: _____.
2. Did the Chief Horse Management Judges briefing to the competitors fairly address all of the issues critical to this competition? YES _____ NO _____
3. Did the Chief Horse Management Judge and assistants treat the judging phase as an opportunity to teach and educate the competitors? YES _____ NO _____
4. Was the Chief Horse Management Judge open and accessible to the competitors and prepared to hear the arguments and reasons of the competitors? YES _____ NO _____
5. Were there problems in the competition with issues and matters that were not discussed or explained in the competitors' briefing? YES _____ NO _____
6. If yes, what issues arose that had not been addressed at the briefing:
7. Did the Chief Horse Management Judge and their assistants deal with the competitors and other officials at the Rally in a collegial and respectful manner and vice versa? YES _____ NO _____
8. Based on your knowledge of the Horse Management Handbook and the issues that arose during the Rally, did you feel comfortable in the position of the initial arbiter of protests? YES _____ NO _____
9. Do you have any concerns with the manner in which Horse Management was addressed and judged at this Rally? YES _____ NO _____

If yes, please explain: _____

If you have any suggestions for our Rallies or this report, please write them below or on a separate sheet of paper.

Technical Delegate's Signature _____ Date _____

Please return filled out original to:

Activities Services Director, USPC National Office, 4041 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511

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Appendix V Protest/Appeal Form

Remember: Before this form can be used, an inquiry must have been made to the TD/Steward. Once completed, deliver to the Discipline/Show Secretary.

Date: _____ Time: _____ Discipline: _____

Division: _____ Club/Center/Region: _____

Competitor Name: _____ Number: _____

Captain Name: _____ Team: _____

Phase: _____

Statement of protest: State the reason for Inquiry. Include appropriate rule references to support your Inquiry.

References: Name book and page number.

Signature of Team Captain/Competitor: _____

Disposition: Date/time: _____

Approved: _____ Denied: _____ Points awarded if any: _____ Penalty, if any: _____

Ground Jury: _____

Appeal Committee: _____

Team Captain/Competitor _____

Scorer: (to indicate receipt and adjustment of a change) _____

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Appendix VI Suggested Distances Between Elements of Combinations

	Seniors		Juniors		Intermediate/Novice	
	1 Stride	2 Strides	1 Stride	2 Strides	1 Stride	2 Strides
A to A	24 – 26'	34 – 36'	24 – 25'	34 – 35'	23 – 24'	33 – 34'
A to B	23 – 25'	33 – 35'	23 – 25'	33 – 34'	22 – 23'	32 – 33'
A to C	23.5 – 25.5'	33 – 35'	23.5 – 25'	33 – 34'	22 – 23'	32 – 34'
A to D	24'	33 – 34'	*	*	*	*
B to A	25 – 26'	34 – 36'	24 – 25'	34 – 35'	23 – 24'	33 – 34'
B to B	24 – 25'	33 – 35'	24'	33 – 34'	22 – 23'	32 – 33'
B to C	24 – 25'	33 – 35'	24'	33 – 34'	22 – 23'	32 – 33'
B to D	23 – 25'	33 – 35'	*	33 – 35'	*	*
C to A	23 – 25'	33 – 35'	22 – 24'	33 – 35'	22 – 23'	33 – 34'
C to B	23 – 24'	33 – 35'	23 – 24'	33 – 35'	21 – 23'	32 – 34'
C to C	23 – 24'	33 – 34'	22 – 24'	33 – 34'	21 – 23'	32 – 34'
C to D	*	*	*	*	*	*
D to A	*	*	*	*	*	*
D to B	*	*	*	*	*	*
D to C	*	*	*	*	*	*
D to D	*	*	*	*		

When jumps are set at the lower height for that level, the distance between elements of the combination should be the shorter distance shown above. When fences are set at or near the maximum, use the longer distances. Note: Uneven ground, bad footing, small rings and combinations set following short turns may necessitate modification of these distances.

All distances are measured from the base of the first element on the landing side to the base of the next element on the take-off side.

For triple combinations, use the above distances as applicable to each pair of the combination. For example: Vertical to Vertical to Ascending Oxer is A to A and A to B.

Distances for lower level competitors or non-qualifying divisions: Distances between jumps, including combinations should be reduced in relationship to the conditions, footing and height of obstacles.

* = Not allowed

A = Straight (vertical) fence

B = Ascending oxer

C = Square oxer

D = Triple Bar

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APPENDIX VII Recommended Specifications for Regional Rallies Qualifying Riders/Teams for Championships

Class	Height	Spreads		Water	Minimum Number of Spreads	Number of Jumping Efforts	Number of Combinations	Length of Course
		Oxers	Triple Bar					
Seniors	3'–3'6"	3'–3'9"	5'11"	9'10"	3 spreads out of first 8 jumping efforts plus 1 spread for each 4 more efforts	8–14	1 Triple or 1 Triple and 1 Double or 2 Doubles	350–850
Juniors	2'9"–3'3"	2'9"–3'6"	5'5"	NA	Same as above	8–12	1 Triple or 2 Doubles	350–850
Intermediate	2'3"–2'9"	2'3"–3'0"	NA	NA	Same as above	8–10	2 Doubles	350–850
Novice	2'3"–2'9"	2'3"–3'0"	NA	NA	Same as above	8–10	1 Double	350–850
Pre Novice	2'–2'3"	2'–2'3"	NA	NA	Same as above	8–10	None Allowed	350–850
10-and-Under	12"–18"	18"	NA	NA	Same as above	6–8	None Allowed	350–850
8-and-Under	0"–12"	12"	NA	NA	Same as above	6–8	None Allowed	350–850

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APPENDIX VIII Tetrathlon Division Criteria

LEVEL	AGE	Certification	SHOOT	RUN (Meters)	SWIM	RIDE	COMMENT
8-and-under	8 and under	UR/D-1	10/resting	500	25	poles/ crossrails	
10-and-under	10 and under	D-1 and up	10/resting	500	50	18 in	
Pre-Novice	13 and under	D-2 and up	20/2 hands stand	500	50	2'3"	
Novice	11 to 12	D-3 and up	20/2 hands stand	1000	100	2'9"	
Intermediate	13 and up	D-3 and up	20/1 hand	1000	100	2'9"	
Junior	13 to 16	D-3 and up	20/1 hand	2000	200	3'3"	May ride down w/penalty
Senior	16 and up	C-1 and up	20/1 hand	3000	200	3'7"	May ride down w/penalty