



CHAMPIONSHIPS EAST 2010 GOLD BOOK

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE 2010

	Wed 7/28	Thurs 7/29	Fri 7/30	Sat 7/31	Sun 8/1
AM			Formal Inspections; Eventing: Dressage Phase; Dressage, Games, SJ, PX and Quiz begin; Tetrathlon: Jogs and Ride 1	Dressage, Games, PX, SJ Rides continue; Quiz continues; Eventing: XC Tetrathlon: Run	Dressage, Games, PX SJ rides continue; Quiz continues; Eventing: Jumping phase
Noon	Move starts at Noon	All riding disciplines move-in complete by Noon, Quiz move-in by 2 p.m.			
PM		All Briefings; All Jogs except Tetrathlon; Tetrathlon: Shoot	Rides continue; Quiz continues; Tetrathlon: Swim	Rides continue Quiz continues Tetrathlon: Ride 2 Tetrathlon Awards	Awards at completion of each activity.
Other		7 p.m. Opening Ceremony	3-4 p.m.: Barns open to visitors	3-4 p.m.: Barns open to visitors	Move-Out completed by 10:00 PM

USPC CHAMPIONSHIPS EAST 2010
JULY 29-AUG 1, 2010
VIRGINIA HORSE CENTER
LEXINGTON, VIRGINIA

OPENING DATE: Saturday, May 1, 2010 **CLOSING DATE:** Monday, July 6, 2010

ENTRY PROCEDURES

- Failure to abide by the following procedures will result in the entry being refused.
- Discipline Organizers and/or Overall Organizer reserve the right to refuse any entry.

ALL QUALIFYING RALLIES MUST BE HELD ON OR BEFORE JULY 5, 2010:

- Complete entries (see below also): All entries will be done electronically. In addition all paperwork must be mailed and **postmarked** by the closing date of July 6, 2010, to the discipline Secretary. Incomplete entries requiring additional information must include a non-refundable penalty of \$100 per team or \$25 per individual.

ABSOLUTELY NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER JULY 6, 2010.

- The Regional Supervisor must submit a copy of the electronic entry. The web address, log-in and passwords will be sent to the Regional Supervisor only. Payment may be made electronically online or by regional check accompanying the hard copy.
- Once the RS has made their region's team entries, e-mails will be sent to the parent/guardian of each competitor. These e-mails will contain links to the online Competitor Information Form that **MUST** be filled out online, prior to Championships.

NOTE TO REGIONAL SUPERVISORS:

- Entries for one team per region, per division will be accepted (Except Tetrathlon competitors, who enter as individuals). Second and or third teams will be accepted on a space available basis, with preference given to the regions with the largest qualifying rallies.
- Qualified substitutions accepted subject to the discipline rules and approval of the discipline chair. Qualified substitution requests must come from the Regional Supervisor only. See discipline Rulebook and discipline page of this Goldbook.
- Scramble Teams will be made up by the Discipline Secretary as space permits from the qualified individuals as submitted by the Regional Supervisor.
- Competitions will be held concurrently; qualified candidates may enter only **one** discipline.
- Exceptions and exemptions: It is recognized that the local conditions vary across the country and that different rally formats at the club, inter-club, non-qualifying regional and qualifying regional or inter-regional rallies may require some flexibility in the rules and championships qualifying criteria. Therefore, in unusual circumstances, it may be required to allow for exceptions or exemptions to these rules to ensure safety and a good experience for our USPC members.

HOWEVER IN NO CASE MAY THE RULES BE CHANGED OR RELAXED, WHICH WOULD COMPROMISE SAFETY OR OFFER AN UNFAIR ADVANTAGE TO A TEAM OR INDIVIDUAL.

- Requests for exemptions or exceptions must be presented by the RS (ONLY the RS) to the Chair of the discipline involved. Please refer to Exemption & Exception Procedures in the Forms section of the USPC website. The Chair will forward all requests for exemptions or exceptions to the Vice President of Activities with his/her recommendation for approval or denial. The decision of the Vice President of Activities is final.
- A discipline competition or division may be cancelled if less than 4 team entries are received
- **PLEASE CHECK ENTRY FOR ACCURACY OF AGE AND RATING LEVELS OF ALL COMPETITORS. If information is incorrect, complete the electronic entry and contact USPC Member Services to correct ages/ratings.**

COMPLETE ENTRIES MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

1. A copy of the electronic confirmation email for the team (sent to RS immediately once each team entry is completed).
2. Please check each discipline for instructions on mailing completed entry paperwork.
3. Regional Check for the entry fee & applicable penalties, if not paid online, made **PAYABLE TO USPC and** mailed to the discipline Secretary along with hard copies of the paperwork and postmarked by closing date.
4. Signed Chaperone Duties Form per team/ individual
5. 1 copy of Current Negative Coggins Test, dated within last 12 months. Name of horse on Coggins to match name on entry.
6. Signed Coaches' Guidelines Form (where appropriate)
7. Games entry must also include the TD report and a copy of the Program from Qualifying Rally signed by the TD.
8. Show Jumping entries must include a copy of the Steward's report and the qualifying rally score sheets showing the qualifiers completed three rounds.
9. Eventing Qualifying Affidavits, where appropriate
10. All Eventing competitors must also complete the USEA event entry form; two sided, with all required membership, horse registration numbers and signatures. Parents are to sign as trainer if trainer will not be present at competition.
11. All forms are available on the USPC website under publications/forms.

ALL FORMS MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY WITH ALL REQUIRED SIGNATURES.

GOVERNING RULES FOR ALL DISCIPLINES

Current USPC Discipline Rulebooks, and the current Horse Management Handbook and Rules for Competition, accompanied by all Addenda and Annual Newsletters, plus current Coaching Guidelines and Chaperone Duties found online under Forms or in current Rulebooks.

OVERALL AWARDS: Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals will be awarded to the overall winning team in each division of each discipline. Overall winning team ribbons will be awarded to 10th place if entries warrant. Horse Management team ribbons will be awarded to 10th place if entries warrant.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Only cancellations of an entry with a veterinary or medical certificate will receive a refund, less a \$30 administrative fee. **Requests for refunds must be made in writing by the Regional Supervisor, accompanied by the required veterinary or medical certificate, to the Discipline Secretary and copied to the National Office (Wayne Quarles) postmarked by August 30, 2010.**

NO REQUESTS FOR REFUNDS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER AUGUST 30, 2010.

VETERINARY HEALTH PAPERS: All horses must have proof of a negative Coggins test within the last 12 months. Out-of-state horses must have a current Health Certificate. Coggins and Health Certificate (out-of-state horses) must be valid for the duration of the competition and travel to and from Lexington, VA and must be presented for checking upon entry to the Virginia Horse Center. The name of horse on the Coggins must match the name of horse on the entry form. Animals on medication must have a veterinary certificate stating the name of medication, diagnosis, dosage, and duration for medication, and this certificate must be given to the Chief Horse Management Judge upon arrival (refer to HM Handbook 2010, HM21b).

AUTOMOBILES, TRAILERS, & PARKING: Parking will be permitted in designated areas only. No vehicles are allowed in the barn areas except as allowed by show management for loading/unloading. All aisles and roadways around barns must be kept open pursuant to fire regulations. Only licensed vehicles with licensed operators will be permitted on the lower VA Horse Center roadways. *All golf cart or other motorized vehicle drivers must have valid drivers license.*

MOVE IN: All riding disciplines may arrive starting at noon on Wednesday, July 28; they must arrive by noon Thursday, July 29. Quiz competitors must be onsite for briefing by 2:00PM Thursday, July 29.

Note: Packets will not be available until Thursday.

STABLING: Stabling, plus a team tack room, is included in the entry fee. Stabling covers up to 4 nights from 12 noon on Wednesday, July 28th until 10 PM on Sunday, August 1st. Feed rooms may be in trailers, each team must plan ahead to have one designated trailer to be parked in the designated feed trailer area. Fans may be used, but must be installed safely; only heavy-duty outdoor extension cords may be used. Move-out **MUST** to be completed by 10 pm Sunday evening. **Sunday night layovers will be billed \$30 per horse and are to be arranged for and paid for directly with the VHC stable office.** Smoking is not permitted in or around the barn area. All stalls must be stripped upon departure. There shall be no arrivals between the hours of midnight and 7:00 AM.

EARLY ARRIVAL/NIGHTTIME ARRIVAL, & LAYOVERS: Arrivals prior to noon on Wednesday, July 28th and layovers after 10 pm, Sunday, Aug 1st, will be available only with prior arrangements with the Virginia Horse Center. Questions should be directed to Wayne Quarles at activities@ponyclub.org or call the VHC Stable Office 540-464-2966.

COMMERCIALY SHIPPED HORSES: Must have an authorized horse-knowledgeable representative to meet the van on arrival able to care for horses until competitors are on the grounds. Plan to be at the barns **BEFORE** your horse is scheduled to arrive. Long hauls are stressful on horses. Please care for them responsibly.

EXERCISING AND SCHOOLING (HACKING): Exercising and Schooling of mounts prior to the start of competition may only take place in the designated areas. Competitors must wear their armband with medical card and **must** have a responsible adult (18 yrs or older) with them at all times when hacking. This adult will be responsible for the safety check.

Once competition commences, no hacking will be allowed through the completion of the competition. Longeing, once the competition starts will be according to the **(HM rule 10h)** in the areas designated by the overall organizer.

HAY/BEDDING: Stalls may be bedded with shavings or straw. No sawdust, peanut hulls or paper allowed. Bedding may be purchased from the VHC stable office onsite. Shavings approximately \$7/bag, Straw approximately \$7/bale, Hay approximately \$10.50/bale.

MANURE DISPOSAL: All manure and used shavings removed from stalls or trailers must be placed in the manure pits located at the end of each barn, not in trash cans. Empty shaving bags must be placed in the area between the manure pits and the barn walls, not in trash cans.

MEDICAL WASTE: Medical waste (needles and syringes and other medical supplies) must not be discarded in stalls, manure pits or trash cans. Special containers are provided in each barn for the disposal of medical waste materials.

FARRIER/VETERINARIAN: A farrier and vet will be on-site or on-call for the duration of the event. All fees are the responsibility of the competitor, and must be paid before departure.

MEDICAL CARDS: Armbands which include a current copy of the individual's USPC Medical Card must be worn at all times while on the competition grounds. Competitors are responsible for supplying their own Medical Armbands and Medical Cards. Tetrathlon 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 be wearing them at all other times. The armbands must be worn on the upper arm. If the competitor has small arms, they may need to safety-pin the armband to their sleeve in the area of the upper arm. Armbands are available for purchase from the USPC Bookstore.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT: USPC has contracted with Emergency medical personnel for the duration of competition. These individuals are all appropriately certified and experienced in "pre-hospital" care. We ask that those persons having a medical background who are present at the site of an accident or incident identify themselves as such to the EMT's and then step aside and let them do their job. They will appreciate this and will ask for assistance if needed.

Those injured in competition who require Emergency room evaluation will not be allowed to return to competition unless there is written documentation from the treating physician that clearly states they are fit to return to competition. In those situations that a parent or legal guardian should decline medical treatment for their charge, the organizer(s) reserves the right to deny continued participation in the competition of said competitor.

FIRST AID: Basic First Aid treatment is available at the Main Horse Show Office.

VOLUNTEERS (Mandatory Requirement): Each team must have 2-4 volunteers to work a portion of the Championships. The Regional Supervisor must submit volunteer information on the electronic entry form. Additional volunteers may sign up at the discipline briefing or in the Show Office. Volunteer positions must be filled before the competition can begin.

WEATHER: As Virginia can be very hot and humid at this time of year, please make sure competitors and horses are prepared for these conditions. Chaperones should be prepared to furnish their team with plenty of appropriate liquids, fruit, etc., and check each day to see that sufficient liquid is being consumed. Competitors are expected to have an ample supply of water and, if necessary, electrolytes for their mount.

NEUTRAL ZONE: The Neutral Zone will again be located under the tent by Cashvan tower, next to the scoreboards. This area is for chaperones/parents to leave limited items (i.e., medication, clothing, food, drink, etc.) for competitors. Pre-planning is necessary because the Neutral Zone is not a delivery

service. A message board will be available for permissible types of communication and may be used for communication with the competitors in emergencies. It may also be used as the official meeting place.

DOGS: Dogs should be left at home. No dogs are allowed in the barns or in the indoor arenas. Dogs are allowed on the premises provided they are leashed at all times. Dogs must be on a short leash and never left unattended. ***NO PETS are allowed in the coliseum or in any office at any time.*** Competitors are not allowed to have any animal in the barn area except their competition horse. Any exceptions to this rule must be approved in writing by the Championships Organizer PRIOR to the move-in date.

INFORMATION: Information will be available at the Neutral Zone and at the Show Office on the grounds. Show office phone: 540-464-2962. This number is to be used for important communications only and is not to be used as a messenger service.

PROGRAMS: Programs will be provided for chaperones, competitors, and coaches. Visitors may purchase sets of programs in the Information/Neutral Zone.

PRINTED MATERIALS: Posters, flyers and other printed materials shall not be stapled on any building. They may be posted on designated bulletin boards only.

USPC BOOKSTORE: The USPC Bookstore will be located at the Trade Fair in the coliseum

HOUSING INFORMATION: A list of lodging may be found on the USPC web site www.ponyclub.org/, under the link for USPC Championships 2010. You may also request a lodging pamphlet from the Lexington Visitor Bureau at www.lexingtonvirginia.com or visit the Virginia Horse Center web site at www.horsecenter.org.

HORSE MANAGEMENT

USPC Horse Management practices will be in effect from arrival to departure for ALL competitors. **HM Judging will commence at noon Thursday.** Please carefully review the USPC Horse Management Handbook and Rules for Rallies 2010 and the 2010 HM Newsletter prior to arrival on the competition grounds. Here are some important reminders.

ATTIRE: Pony Club members must wear approved footwear when in the barn area from the time of arrival on the competition grounds until departure. Riding sneakers with a heel are acceptable (**HM7b**).

All Pony Club members must wear properly fitting approved helmets in compliance with current USPC Safety Policies, with chin harness secured when mounted, longeing, and presenting at Horse Inspections (jog outs) and Turnout/Safety Inspections. Under no circumstances may a HMJ or designated-representatives permit a Member to proceed to the riding phase with a helmet of questionable fit or condition. (**HM7a, HM7a.2**).

Pony Club members must wear their pinnie or other form of ID designated by the Organizer as well as their Medical Armband containing their USPC Medical Release Card. (**HM6i**).

Appropriate attire is expected while the Pony Club member is on the grounds. Sleeved-shirts (to point of shoulder) that cover the torso must be worn by members at all times while on the grounds, both while mounted and unmounted. Bathing suit or tank tops are never acceptable attire (**HM7**).

STALL CARDS: EVERY stall must have a completed card, readily visible on the stall before leaving a horse in that stall. Refer to the USPC Horse Management Handbook and Rules for Rallies 2010 and addenda for required information. Remember that Horse Insurance information, if applicable, should be listed on the back of the card and include phone number of insurance company and all other pertinent information (**HM11c; Appendix H2**).

HORSE INSPECTION (Jog Outs): Horses must be shown in bridle. Neat, appropriate attire and approved helmets in compliance with current USPC Safety Policies and proper footwear are required for handlers; gloves are advised. Make sure competitors are familiar with acceptable attire for horse inspection, as stated in the USPC Horse Management Handbook and Rules for Rallies 2010 and addenda. (**Uniform Officiation, Appendix A, Horse Management Handbook and Rules for Rallies A-5**).

ELECTRONICS: Use of electronic communication devices during the competition will be in accordance with the rules for each discipline and may only occur in areas where direct interaction with horses will not take place. (For example: The Neutral Zone, The HM office, the Team Tack Room). Earbuds/headphones, when used, should be used in **ONE EAR ONLY**, so the Competitor can clearly hear what is happening around them. Competitors are responsible for the safety of any communication device they bring onto competition grounds and/or into the barns (**HM6h**). Refrigerators, microwaves, plug in coolers, etc., in the barn area will not be permitted (**HM12b**).

EQUIPMENT:

All equipment used in competition (including tack) must be left in tack rooms for the duration of the competition unless otherwise instructed. (**HM12c**). ONLY Pony Club competitors may set up the tack room (**HM6g, HM12a**).

BRAIDING: is governed by the discipline rulebook. Braiding is permitted at all levels and in all disciplines except Games. Standing on any object can be unsafe if the object is not on solid level ground. At no time should braiding take precedence over regular barn chores and braiding shall not be accepted as an excuse for failing to complete any other tasks. All braids must be removed immediately after the last ride of the day and before any turnback inspection (**HM9.5**).

BATHING: Keep bathing of horses to a minimum. Not only does it waste water, but it creates lines in the washing areas. Use a bucket and sponge whenever possible. Never leave your horse alone in the wash rack. Manure must be cleaned out of wash stalls to prevent clogging of drains (**HM9.6, HM11.10**).

MOVE-OUT: At the conclusion of the competition, stalls must be stripped and checked unless otherwise directed by the organizer (**HM11.10**).

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Championships Qualifying Information

- *Age as of January 1, 2010, rating as of closing date of qualifying rally. Entrant must have competed in the qualifying rally at the rating required for that division/discipline.*
- *To be eligible to compete in Championships, all competitors must be in compliance with Club Member in Good Standing and Regional Active Participation Policies.*
- *Entry Fee includes stabling, pin, and T-shirt for each competitor, and a pin for one chaperone per team; additional pins available to scramble team chaperones.*
- *B/H-A/A competitors (C3 and up for Tet) are invited to compete with the permission of the RS*

Discipline	Division	Age	Rating
Eventing	Beginner Novice	12 yrs. or older	Classic C-1 and up
	Novice	12 yrs. or older	Classic C-1 and up
	Training	13 yrs. or older	Classic C-1 and up
	Preliminary	14 yrs. or older	Classic C-1 and up
	Stable Manager	As above	HM D-3 and up
Dressage	Training Level	12 yrs. or older	Flat C-1 and up
	First Level & up	12 yrs. or older	Flat C-1 and up
	* Note for First level and up -One rider may be D3		
	Quadrille	12 yrs. or older	Flat C-1 & up-One rider may be D3
Games	Stable Manager	As above	HM D-3 and up
	Junior	10 - 12 yrs.	Classic D-2 and up
	Senior	13 - 15 yrs.	Classic D-3 and up
	Advanced	16 - 18 yrs.	Classic C-1 and up
<i>Note: See Games Rulebook for clarification, exceptions and divisional play up guidelines</i>			
Polocrosse	Novice	11 yrs. or older	Flat D-3 and up
	Intermediate	12 yrs. or older	Flat C-1 and up
	Advanced	13 yrs. or older	Flat C-1 and up
	Stable Manager	As above	HM D-3 and up
Quiz	Junior D	10 - 12 yrs.	HM D2, D3
	Senior D	13 - 21 yrs.	HM D2, D3
	Junior C/H-B/B	14 yrs. or less	HM C-1 and up
	Senior C/H-B/B	15 - 21 yrs.	HM C-1 and up
	B/H/H-A/A	14 - 21 yrs.	HM B and up
Show Jumping	Developing Horse/Rider	12 yrs. or older	Classic D-3 and up
	Reg./Modified	12 yrs. or older	Classic C-1 and up
	Stable Manager	As above	HM D-3 and up
Tetrathlon	Novice	11 - 12 yrs.	Classic D-3 and up
	Intermediate	13 yrs. and up	Classic D-3 and up
	Junior	13 - 16 yrs.	Classic D-3 and up
	Senior	16 yrs. or older	Classic C-1 and up

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DRESSAGE

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SEND ENTRIES TO SECRETARY

ENTRY FEES: \$1540 per 4 rider team and SM, \$385 per riding member. Quadrille, add \$50 if bringing 5th horse (the name of 5th horse to be entered on the entry form with team SM name; and a copy of current negative Coggins must accompany entry). Non-riding SM is mandatory. Regions are encouraged to send individuals or partial teams to place on scramble teams.

ENTRIES/SUBSTITUTIONS & QUALIFICATIONS: Refer to USPC Handbook and Rules for Dressage Competition 2009 and 2010 Annual Newsletter. Teams of Cs and up must qualify at a Regional Rally by riding the same two 2007 USEF Dressage tests that will be ridden at Championships, plus a freestyle. FEI tests may be ridden for riders at that level. There will be a Quadrille Division for teams of 4 riding members and a Stable Manager, provided there are at least three entries in this division. Refer to rulebook and Annual Newsletter for more information. Quadrille teams may bring a 5th horse to be used as a substitute in the event of lameness. **Closing date for Quadrille Teams is June 7.** B/H-A/A members are not required to compete at the regional qualifying rally but must have the permission and approval of the RS of their region to compete as a member of a regional or scramble team.

LEVELS AND TESTS OFFERED AT CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Training Level Teams: riding Training Level tests 2 and 4

First Level and above Teams:

- First Level riding Tests 2 and 4
- Second Level riding Tests 2 and 4
- Third Level riding Tests 1 and 3
- Fourth Level riding Tests 1 and 3
- FEI tests of choice.

Quadrille Teams will be offered if three teams are entered

Option 1. Riding the USDF 2007 “Basic” & “Training” Level tests or

Option 2. Riding the USDF 2007 “Training” & “First” Level tests

DRESSAGE TESTS:

Ride 1: Lower Test

Ride 2: Higher Test

Ride 3: repeat Higher level Test

Ride 4: Musical Freestyle or Pas de Deux,

Refer to the USPC Dressage Rulebook and Annual Newsletter for tests.

Music: For all musical rides, clearly label tapes or CD and bring duplicates.

Costumes: Costumes will be allowed for Pas de Deux division. Pony Club approved helmets, footwear, saddle and bridle are required. Competitors must have the approval of their RS as to the suitability of the costumes.

AWARDS:

Overall Team-See **Overall Awards**, in General Information

Horse Management- See **Overall Awards**, in General Information

*Note First Level & up HM scoring will also include the Quadrille teams

Musical Freestyles

Training – 1st-10th place ribbons individuals

Training Pas de Deux- 1st-10th place ribbons, if entries warrant

First Level and Above: 1st-10th place ribbons individuals

First Level and Above Pas de Deux- 1st-10th place ribbons, if entries warrant

Quadrille – 1st-10th place ribbons, if entries warrant

The Dover “I Love Pony Club” pin. This special award is for 1st place competitors in the Musical Kur, Pas de Deux and Quadrille Musical divisions. This is a replica of the gold “I Love Pony Club” pin that belonged to Robert Dover’s mother. The original pin has been donated to USPC and is on display at USPC headquarters in Lexington, Kentucky.

The Draft Cross Breeders and Owners Association Rising Star Award - The top scoring DCBOA rider (riding a DCBOA registered horse) in Dressage, Eventing, Show Jumping, Polocrosse or Tetrathlon at each USPC Championship in 2010 will be recognized by DCBOA in the form of a trophy. Horses and Riders must both be registered with the DCBOA. Registration and application must be postmarked by May 1, 2010. Registration and Membership information as well as the award application may be found on the DCBOA website: <http://draftcrossbreedersandowners.com>

EVENTING

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SEND ENTRIES TO SECRETARY: Note: Secretary requests that any entries postmarked on the closing date be sent Express Mail and that any/all Express Mail be sent with the signature waiver signed. Requiring signature for delivery can delay receipt of entry for several days. Thank you for consideration in this matter.

ENTRY FEES: \$1580 per 4 rider/ISM team; \$395/individual riding member; (see info for additional fee under Preliminary level qualification criteria below). The number of Preliminary riders per team to be determined by Organizing Committee. Non-riding Stable Manager is mandatory. If the entry is large, it may be necessary to restrict the competition numbers by holding a draw for teams after the closing date.

USPC Eventing Championships are recognized by USEA and Preliminary Level is recognized by USEF. Each competitor must fill out an individual USEA Eventing entry form, which is posted on the forms page of the USPC website. Refer to membership requirements as listed below for each division. For USEA membership information, go to their website at www.useventing.com

LEVELS OFFERED: Beginner Novice, Novice, Training and Preliminary

ENTRIES/SUBSTITUTIONS & QUALIFICATION CRITERIA: Please refer to Age/ Rating Requirements for USPC Championships 2010 listed earlier in this Gold Book, the 2008 Eventing Rulebook, all addenda and the 2010 Eventing Annual Newsletter.

All levels must have completed, without elimination in any phase, a qualifying USPC rally at the level at which they wish to compete and a USEF/USEA recognized (or comparable*) Horse Trial of the same level within 11 months prior to this year's Championships entry deadline. One of these competitions must have no cross-country jumping penalties, with the other having no more than 20 cross-country jumping penalties. B/H-A/A competitors are invited to compete with the permission of their RS and verification of scores from two USEF/USEA recognized (or comparable*) Horse Trials at the level at which they wish to compete as listed above for all other levels of competition.

**“Comparable” means an unrecognized Horse Trial held at the site of a sanctioned Horse Trial, where the construction and dimensions of the cross-country fences have been approved by a USEF/USEA-licensed Eventing Technical Delegate or Eventing Judge. This MUST be approved by the USPC Eventing Committee Chair and the VP of Activities.*

Since qualification for Championships is based on the horse and rider combination, any substitution of a horse for championships must meet the same requirements expected of the original horse and rider entry with a valid reason for the change and approval of the RS. A substitution request must be approved by and submitted through the member's Regional Supervisor to the Eventing Committee Chair and VP of Activities.

A properly signed Qualifying Affidavit for each qualifying rally and either a qualifying affidavit or copies of the official score record from the USEA website for recognized horse trials must be included along with a USEA entry form for each rider completely filled out, including all rider, parent and trainer signatures. No one under 18 may sign as trainer.

USEA AND USEF MEMBERSHIP AND FEE INFORMATION: Beginner Novice and Novice USEA membership and fees, as well as non-membership fees, have been waived for USPC Championships; no horse registration number is required at these levels. Training level competitors must be a current USEA member and have a current USEA horse registration number. Membership in USEF is not required. Preliminary level competitors must be a current USEA member and have a current USEA horse registration number. They must also be a member of USEF or pay the junior non-member fee of \$20 if under age 18 or \$25 if over age 18 (to be collected by secretary at the time of packet pick-up at Championships). Preliminary riders must provide a copy of their USEF membership card with their entry.

DRESSAGE TESTS:

Beginner Novice: USEF 2010 Beginner Novice Test B

Novice: USEF 2010 Novice Test B

Training: USEF 2010 Training Test B

Preliminary: USEF 2010 Preliminary Test B

All tests will be ridden in a small arena.

CROSS-COUNTRY: All courses will be of championship level over varied terrain. Course Designer: Brian Ross

AWARDS:

Overall Team-See **Overall Awards**, in General Information

Horse Management- See **Overall Awards**, in General Information

Rachel Pemstein Memorial Award- Rachel Pemstein, DVM, was an avid Pony Club supporter who volunteered much of her time and veterinary expertise at rallies and championships. Sadly, she passed away in 2000 after a long illness. The Rachel Pemstein award, an engraved Julep Cup, is presented to each member of the winning Horse Management Team, in each Division, at Championships.

Frank Bierman Award for Excellence in Eventing-Awarded annually, by Frank Bierman, former facilities manager at Virginia Horse Center, this award goes to the Training Level competitor at Championships East that has a clean cross country ride closest to optimum time and whose horse has an acceptable recovery rate and completes the competition without being eliminated in any phase. The recipient will receive an engraved Jefferson cup as well as having their name added to the perpetual trophy on display at the USPC headquarters in Lexington, Kentucky.

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USEA individual Ribbons-As a USEA/USEF recognized horse trial, ribbons will be given to individuals in 1st – 8th place in each division.

COACHING: Refer to Current USPC Handbook and Rules for Eventing Competition, Appendix 9.

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ENTRY FEE: \$1925 per team of five riding members or \$385 per member for short teams.

ENTRIES/SUBSTITUTIONS & QUALIFICATIONS: Refer to USPC Handbook and Rules for Games Competition 2009, the Games Newsletter 2009 and 2010. Also refer to the applicable Horse Management Rulebook and Newsletter. Each team must bring one white helmet cover to be used by their team. White bands are not allowed. Pinny numbers are assigned in order of entry, with #1 as the Captain. Pinny numbers are VERY important in Games so RS's please check with your team for accuracy in assigning numbers.

All Regional Pinnies must be approved by the Games Chair. Each Team must bring their own Regional Pinnies made in accordance with the 2009 Handbook and Rules for Games. If your pinnies have not been previously approved, photos of these pinnies must be submitted to the Games Committee Chair prior to June 1 for approval.

DO NOT SHIP PINNIES to Secretary. No pinnies will be provided.

Please review the Rules for Games and the Games Annual Newsletters for the requirements and for submission details. RS's must ensure that young competitors are capable of caring for their ponies by themselves and handling all the responsibilities and duties of attending a Championships rally on their own. Review the USPC Games Rulebook 2009 and the 2009 and 2010 Games Newsletter for review of the procedure for substitution of ponies.

LEVELS OFFERED: Junior, Senior and Advanced

Note: Advanced teams are now 4/5 member teams

AWARDS:

Overall Team-See **Overall Awards**, in General Information

Horse Management- See **Overall Awards**, in General Information

Frances E. Pitts Memorial Trophy: will be awarded to the Games player who demonstrates excellent horsemanship, sportsmanship, and leadership. This trophy is given in memory of Frances Pitts, a member of the 1995 USPC International Games Team.

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ENTRY FEES: \$1155 per team of 3 riding members, \$50 for SM with Horse, no fee for SM without horse. \$385 per riding member for individuals.

ENTRIES/SUBSTITUTIONS & QUALIFICATIONS: Refer to USPC Rules for Polocrosse 2009. See Championships Qualifying Information earlier in this publication. If qualifying through the APA route as detailed in the 2010 Newsletter, the recommendation of the RS is required. All competitors must compete in a regional qualifying rally. If the team SM is going to be a "Replacement Rider," s/he must meet the same qualifications. If the team SM is not going to be a "Replacement Rider" s/he does not have to attend a qualifying rally. It is recommended that the Stable Manager bring own horse; this will be the only allowed substitution horse. 4 man teams are required (scratch players will be accommodated if teammates are not available. All information and copy of current negative Coggins must be submitted with entry for the extra horse.

LEVELS/COMPETITION FORMAT:

Advanced: Must be 13 years and a C-1 or up. Must ride a mount 14 H or larger.

Intermediate Horse: 12 years and a C-1 or up. Must ride mount 14 H or larger

Intermediate Pony: 12 years and a C-1 or up. Must ride a mount under 15 H.

Novice: Must be 11 years and a D-3 or up. May ride any size mount.

The competition will be a round-robin or league format depending on entries and played over 2 or more days. The overall winner will be the team that wins the highest number of chukkas, combined with the Horse Management score. Horse Management will also receive awards. Each team will be required to bring own team shirts or pinnies with playing position numbers.

AWARDS:

Overall Team-See **Overall Awards**, in General Information

Horse Management- See **Overall Awards**, in General Information

"Best Horse" awarded in each division. The Umpires will make the selection based on fitness, agility and responsiveness.

American Polocrosse Association Award for Exemplary Sportsmanship: This award is presented to competitors whose actions and behavior best exemplifies excellent sportsmanship both on and off the field, chosen by the head APA umpire during the USPC Championships.

The "Cadillac Memorial Trophy" is an annual award given by the Diemer Family in memory of their great Polocrosse mare Cadillac. Along with the honor of being named, the best horse (selected by the umpires) is awarded a leather halter with nameplate.

The Draft Cross Breeders and Owners Association Rising Star Award - The top scoring DCBOA rider (riding a DCBOA registered horse) in Dressage, Eventing, Show Jumping, Polocrosse or Tetrathlon at each USPC Championship in 2010 will be recognized by DCBOA in the form of a trophy. Horses and Riders must both be registered with the DCBOA. Registration and application must be postmarked by May 1, 2010. Registration and Membership information as well as the award application may be found on the DCBOA website: <http://draftcrossbreedersandowners.com>

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ENTRY FEE: \$900 team of four members or \$225 per individual for short teams. Entry fee includes t-shirt and pin for competitors plus a pin team for one Chaperone per team. Regions are encouraged to send individuals or partial teams to place on scramble teams.

ENTRIES/SUBSTITUTIONS & QUALIFICATIONS: Refer to USPC Quiz Rule Book, 2007

LEVELS OFFERED: Junior D, Senior D, Junior C/B, Senior C/B, B/H/HA/A

SPECIAL NOTE: Competitors *and* volunteers must wear appropriate footwear during rounds held in the barn area. **Volunteers with 2007 Quiz Rulebook in hand, are required to attend the briefing tentatively scheduled at 2:00 PM, check schedules on arrival to the Virginia Horse Center.**

PACKET PICK UP FOR QUIZ: All Quiz packets will be handed out at the Quiz Office, which is located by the main Horse Show office, downstairs of the Coliseum. Packets will be ready for pick up on Thursday, July 29th.

AWARDS:

Overall Team-See **Overall Awards**, in General Information.

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ENTRY FEE: \$1540/4 rider team and SM; \$385 per individual. Non-riding SM is mandatory. Regions are encouraged to send individuals or partial teams to place on scramble teams.

ENTRIES/SUBSTITUTIONS & QUALIFICATIONS: To qualify, the same horse/rider or pony/rider combination must have competed over 3 courses at the same level at their regional or inter-regional qualifying Show Jumping Rally and may not have been eliminated from any course for any reason (including any rule or technical infractions in competition arena or schooling area). Large ponies ridden by B or A-rated riders may compete at the Horse II level, but they must be able to handle the distances specified for horses. B/H-A/A competitors are invited to compete with the permission of the RS; there are no other requirements for qualifying for the B/H-A/A.

LEVELS OFFERED:

Heights	Rounds	Jump Off
Developing Horse/Rider:	2'9"-3'0"	3'0"
Modified Division: Large Pony/Horse I		
Large Pony	2'9"-3'3"	3'6"
Horse I	2'9"-3'3"	3'6"
Regular Division: Horse II, III, IV		
Any Combination of:		
Horse II	3'-3'6"	3'9"
Horse III	3'3"-3'9"	4'0"
Horse IV	3'6"-4'0"	4'3"

COMPETITION: There will be five rounds of competition. Equitation will be judged in the second jumping round for all competitors. The third round will be a "Take your own line" for competitors at all levels.

AWARDS:

Overall Team-See **Overall Awards**, in General Information

Horse Management- See **Overall Awards**, in General Information

Five 'clear round' ribbons: given to all who meet this criteria

Equitation ribbons, each division: 1-10th place

Vieva Perrin Memorial Award for Horsemanship: this trophy is given in memory of one of the founders of Somerset Hills Pony Club and is awarded annually to the rider in the Regular Division who best exemplifies the classical principles of horsemanship and "the American jumping style".

Pair of spurs: presented to each competitor riding for the first time in the H3 division

Belt buckle: presented to each competitor riding for the first time in the H4 division

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ENTRY FEE: \$385 per individual competitor.

ENTRIES/SUBSTITUTIONS: Refer to 2010 USPC Rules for Tetrathlon. RS's must ensure that ALL competitors are qualified and safe to compete at their designated level and that young competitors are capable of caring for their mounts by themselves and handling all responsibilities and duties of attending a Championships rally on their own.

LEVELS OFFERED:

Novice Girls, Novice Boys
Intermediate Girls, Intermediate Boys
Junior Girls, Junior Boys
Senior Girls, Senior Boys

QUALIFICATIONS: See Championships Qualifying Information earlier in this publication. To compete in the Championship Divisions, each competitor must have competed in a Regional Tetrathlon Rally and qualified as stated in the current 2010 Tetrathlon Rulebook. If there is no competition in the region, the RS should follow the Exception/Exemption Procedures found in the forms section of the USPC website. *Read Article 30 carefully to understand qualifying in the Riding Phase when taking the 200 point penalty for "riding down" one level.*

RIDING PHASE: The riding phase will consist of two jumping rounds. The first riding course could be a slightly modified course from one of the SJ rounds, so expect a technically challenging course. The track will include a slip rail to be taken down, negotiated and replaced and a gate to be opened, negotiated, closed and secured while mounted. The second round may also be a shared course designed by either SJ or Eventing. It may include a slip rail and gate.

SWIM PHASE: The swimming will take place off-site in Lexington. It is the parents' responsibility to arrange for competitor transportation to this site.

SHOOTING PHASE: The shooting phase will take place at Washington & Lee. It is the parents' responsibility to arrange for competitor transportation to this site.

HORSES: Competitors to bring their own mount or share a suitable mount. The competitor must inform the RS of all horse sharing arrangements. There will not be a pool of horses available, nor will the organizer arrange horse matching. Those, who out of necessity are riding unfamiliar mounts, will have an opportunity to ride that horse before a panel consisting of the Organizer, Riding Steward, and TD to insure suitability. In the event this combination is unsuitable, every effort will be made to find

that competitor a suitable mount. Please mark on Competitor Information Form if you are willing to share your mount.

AWARDS:

Participation Certificates for ALL competitors certifying phase scores and overall total score, printed onsite between the last inquiry period and the beginning of the Awards Ceremony.

Phase Ribbons for First thru Third in each Phase (ride, run, shoot and swim).

Overall Individual for First through Third receives ribbon and Gold, Silver or Bronze Medals. Fourth thru Sixth receives a ribbon.

Horse Management- See **Overall Awards**, in General Information

The Strassburger Award: This is awarded annually to the high scoring Senior Boy at USPC Tetrathlon Championships and is donated by the Strassburger family.

Kim Dunlap Artana Award: This is awarded annually to the high scoring Senior Girl at USPC Tetrathlon Championships and is donated by the Tetrathlon committee.

Equitation Award: This is awarded to one Boy and one Girl with the best equitation score.

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COACHES: The presence of a coach at a Tetrathlon rally is to promote safety, good sportsmanship during all phases and good horsemanship in the warm-up area and during the riding phase. Coaches are selected by the RS and the signed Coaches form(s) must accompany the entry paperwork. Only Coach Forms submitted by the RS are accepted. Coaches Forms submitted at the competition by anyone other than the RS will not be accepted.