# **2024 EVENTING NEWSLETTER**

# **2024 EVENTING RULEBOOK**

The 2024 rulebook is now available online and through Shop Pony Club. Edits and clarifications are noted in red font. No significant changes were made.

### **Notice: USEF Rule Change**

The below is not listed in the USPC Rulebook but has been implemented by USEF and USEA.

Effective 12.1.23 - First Athlete Fall on Cross-Country will result in an Eliminiation (RF) for all levels (BN, N, T, M)

If an event is run as or in conjunction with a recognized event, the parent organization (USEF/USEA) rules will supercede USPC's Rulebooks.

### Reminders

### Safety Vests

Following Board Policy 0830, USPC requires members to wear a properly fitted equestrian body protector when jumping cross-country or solid obstacles during any activity sponsored by the USPC, its regions, registered clubs, or riding center programs. USPC recommends wearing a body protector that is ASTM-certified (Manufactured in the US) or certified to the BETA Level manufactured in Great Britain).

### **USPC FESTIVAL**

The USPC Festival is a two-in-one event with Championships at the beginning of the week and Education following.

Championships: July 15 – 19

Education: July 20 - 22

### **FESTIVAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Information about Championships will be posted on the event website.

Training and Modified divisions will require a minimum of 12 mounted competitiors each to run in 2024.

### **Dressage Tests**

Beginner Novice: 2022 USEF Beginner Novice Test B

Novice: 2022 USEF Novice Test B Training: 2022 USEF Training Test B Modified: 2022 USEF Modified Test B

Note: Dressage test movements are available for download at <u>www.useventing.com</u> by searching for dressage tests.

# **Championships Eligibility**

Members who wish to compete at the USPC Festival Championships must meet the age, certification, and competition eligibility requirements as outlined in the rulebooks and in the 2024 Competitor Eligibility Document, found on the Championships Competition Resources page, <a href="https://www.ponyclub.org/Events/Championships/CompetitorInformation.aspx">https://www.ponyclub.org/Events/Championships/CompetitorInformation.aspx</a>.

# **Eligibility Exceptions**

Competition eligibility exceptions will be handled on a case-by-case basis. There are no exceptions to the age or certification requirements.

The RS *must* submit all competition exception requests using the online system, <a href="https://www.ponyclub.org/">https://www.ponyclub.org/</a>
Events/Championships/CompetitorInformation.aspx.
Only submissions submitted by the RS will be considered.

### **Mount Substitutions**

Mount substitution requests will be handled on a caseby-case basis. Per Article 10 in USPC rulebooks, all mount substitutions must be submitted no later than 5 days prior to Championships move-in.

The RS *must* submit all mount substitutions using the online system, <a href="https://www.ponyclub.org/Events/Championships/CompetitorInformation.aspx">https://www.ponyclub.org/Events/Championships/CompetitorInformation.aspx</a>. Only submissions submitted by the RS will be considered.

### **FESTIVAL EDUCATION**

USPC Festival Education is open to all USPC members, leaders, and friends. Mounted clinics are offered in various disciplines including: Dressage, Show Jumping, Cross-Country, distance riding, horsemanship and more. Mounted clinics will be available to audit.



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Also offered at Festival Education is D-Camp and a large variety of unmounted clinics.

More information for USPC Festival Education can be found online at <a href="https://www.ponyclub.org/Events/Festival/Default.aspx">https://www.ponyclub.org/Events/Festival/Default.aspx</a>.

### **REGIONAL RALLY SUPPORT**

### **Rally Resources & Materials Page**

You must be logged into the USPC website to access the Rally Resources and Materials web page. The Rally Organizer's Guide is available for download online or purchase from Shop Pony Club.

### **Rally Technical Delegate Reports**

Regional rally organizers are reminded that Technical Delegate (TD) Reports are **REQUIRED** for standard rallies and requested for all rallies.

Electronic versions of TD reports are always preferred, but hardcopy versions are also acceptable. Please make sure that your TD is submitting the reports.

# **USPC EVENTING OPPORTUNITIES**

# **USEA/USPC Eventing Recognition Program**

Deadline: November 15

USPC members can be recognized for their participation in both a USPC Eventing Rally and a USEF-licensed/ USEA-recognized competition.

For more information on Eventing opportunities, please visit the Eventing page of the USPC website, <a href="https://www.ponyclub.org/Members/Disciplines/Eventing/">https://www.ponyclub.org/Members/Disciplines/Eventing/</a>.

# **EVENTING RESOURCES**

The USPC Activities Committees can provide support to leaders, members, and volunteers. Current contact information for them can be found on the Activities Committee page of the USPC website, <a href="https://www.ponyclub.org/About/ActContactList.aspx">https://www.ponyclub.org/About/ActContactList.aspx</a>.

### **Competitions Committee**

The Competitions Committee oversees rally participation and support, rulebooks, and Championships eligibility.

# **Discipline Education**

The Discipline Education Committee oversees discipline pages on the USPC website, educational handbooks, and educational opportunities.

# **Special Opportunities**

The Special Opportunities Committee oversees participation and organizing groups for international exchanges, invitationals, and other special opportunities.

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