

Championships Coaches Form



Coach's First and Last Name: _____

Section 1: Requirements for All Coaches

Penalties for violating these coaching guidelines will be assessed by the discipline ground jury and/or overall ground jury under the rules governing unauthorized assistance. Any coach not adhering to the rules set forth below may be removed from their position for the duration of the phase and/or competition.

Coaches are mandatory for Show Jumping Championships. Coaches are allowed, but not mandatory for Dressage, Eventing, Games, Polocrosse, Tetrathlon and Western Dressage Championships. There may be one or more coaches per team; the organizer or ring steward may limit the number of coaches in a warm-up area at any given time.

Agreement

By signing this form, you:

- Agree to be familiar with and observe all USPC By-Laws, Policies and competition rules.
- Agree to be governed by Horse Management guidelines as expected of competitors, including appropriate attire, footwear and conduct.
- Agree to adhere to the USPC Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Policies in all your actions and decisions.
- Agree to conduct yourself in a fair and courteous manner.

Coaches Must

- Attend any official coaches briefings.
- Be familiar with, understand and comply with the current USPC discipline and Horse Management rules.
- Be aware of the welfare of horse and rider.
- Wear identification provided by the organizer during the competition times.
- Follow all discipline coach parameters outlined in the discipline rulebook.
- Assist competitors in learning and understanding all rules pertinent to the competition.
- Help any Pony Club competitor who asks for help or who is present without a coach.

Coaches Must Not

- Enter the barn except during authorized visiting times.
- Interfere with the immediate care of the mount under penalty of elimination of the competitor.
- Give lessons in the warm up area.
- Be the organizer, and member of the organizing committee or any other official of the competition.
- Be a team chaperone.

Coaching Duties

- Warming-up competitors for competition in the designated warm-up areas only. In addition, a coach

may lead a competitor's mount into the arena area.

- Coaches may observe but not participate in (unless requested), soundness checks or horse inspections.
- Meet with the team to discuss ride times, planning and how to best utilize the coach within the team.

Communications between Coaches and Competitors

- Coaches may communicate with the competitors during the official briefing and any subsequent briefings as required by the organizer and in the warm-up area prior to and following the competitors ride.
- Coached may accompany competitors during their ride, arena inspection, course walks or any other subsequent times competition areas are open for warm-up, during which they may give advice and coach.

Competitors who wish to Coach while Competing

Championships competitors who are 18 years of age as of January 1 of the competition year may coach other members recognizing that:

- No scheduling changes will be made to accommodate coaching /riding times.
- Care of mount and other competitor responsibilities take precedence over coaching.

Section 2: Discipline Specifics

In addition to the above parameters, I _____ agree to abide by the appropriate discipline specific Coach Guidelines as included in the current rulebook.

Section 3: Championships Fees

A \$20 Coaching Fee per discipline for is required per Championships event. Only cash and checks are accepted onsite. Please make checks out to United States Pony Clubs, Inc. or USPC with "Coach Fee" in the memo line.

Please circle all the disciplines you are coaching:

Dressage Eventing Mounted Games Polocrosse Show Jumping Tetrathlon

Western Dressage

Please list the names of the Teams (EX: Sierra Pacific SJ Team 1) you are coaching:

Total Amount: _____

Method of Payment (circle one. If check, please provide the check number): CASH CHECK(#____)

Coach's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Information Booth Attendant: _____

FOR NATIONAL OFFICE STAFF

Date processed in database: _____

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