

Revised May 2021

**UNITED STATES PONY CLUBS  
POLICY STATEMENT**

**SUBJECT: STANDARDS OF PROFICIENCY**

**EFFECTIVE DATE: 09/19/93**

**POLICY NO: 5010**

**REVISED DATE: 5/16/2021**

**I. POLICY STATEMENT AND PHILOSOPHY:**

In order to provide an instructional program that fulfills the Mission Statement and the Core Values of The United States Pony Clubs, as well as measure Pony Club Members' individual development, the policy of The Board of Governors is that the Standards of Proficiency ("SOPs") shall be established by the Instruction Council and maintained as the curriculum for USPC's instruction program from the local to the national level. All Regions, Registered Clubs and Riding Center Programs shall use the SOPs as the curriculum for their instructional programs. Member certification shall be conducted in accordance with the SOPs at the local through national level to verify individual member development. All substantive changes to the Standards of Proficiency content and/or edits are ratified by the Board of Governors.

**II. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY:**

- A. The Vice President of Instruction, the Vice President of Regional Administration, the DC, CA, and RS shall have responsibility for this policy.
  
- B. The President and the Board of Governors shall have oversight of this policy.

**III. ENACTMENT:**

Established: \_\_\_\_\_



Date: 5/16/2021

(Signature of Board President)

Printed Name of Board President: H. Benjamin Duke III

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