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2022 GYMKHANA RULEBOOK

The 2022 rulebook is now available online and through Shop Pony Club. Edits and clarifications (red font) were made, and the entire rulebook was formatted in a new program. The fundamental changes are listed below:

Article 1: Changes made to the definition of a rally.

Article 10: The mount substitution process changed.

Article 12: Policy 0860 and 0860.P1 received updates.

Article 36: General Barn Attire changed.

Reminders

Gymkhana Rally Attire and Saddlery

Competition attire for Gymkhana allows competitors to decide between competing in western attire/tack or english attire/tack. Competitors must compete following all western attire and tack rules or all english attire and tack rules. The mixing of western and english attire or tack is not permitted. If an Australian stock saddle is used, it can be considered either western or english, and the rest of the attire/tack must be either all western or all english.

USPC GYMKHANA INVITATIONAL

USPC is pleased to host an Invitational Gymkhana competition at Championships East and West. See the Guidebook to Championships which will be posted in March for additional details.

Championships West

The competition will take place at Twin Rivers Ranch in Paso Robles, CA. Limited cross-entering permitted. See the Guidebook to Championships West for specifics. Move-in Tuesday, July 5, and compete on July 6 - 8.

Championahips East

The competition will take place at the Tryon International Equestrian Center. Cross-entering is not permitted. All competitors must be moved in by Thursday, July 28, and compete July 29 - 31.

POSSIBLE RACES AT INVITATIONAL

Barrel, Big M, Big O, Big T, Birangle, Butterfly, Cat's Cradle, Double Bowtie, Figure 8, Figure 8 Pole Cowhorse, Four Leaf Clover Barrel, Hitch and Go, Hourglass, Key, Phoenix Lights, Pole Bending, Potato, Reverse Keyhole, Single Stake (or Single Barrel), Straight Away Barrel, Tail Spin, Turn N Burn, Two Barrel Cowhorse, Wild Lark

INVITATIONAL ELIGIBILITY

Divisions Offered

Novice

This division is for competitors capable of loping the majority of the races. Green horses or riders new to gymkhana belong in this division.

Intermediate

This division is for competitors who ar ecapable of loping all races.

Advanced

This division is for competitors who are capable of galloping all races.

Age

Must be 10 years old by January 1, 2022.

Horse Management Expectations

Current or former USPC members will be judged at the current certification level. Non-USPC members will be judged at the D-2 HM level.

GYMKHANA RALLY SUPPORT

Rally Resources & Materials Web Page

The Rally Resources & Materials page of the USPC website received a significant overhaul. You must be logged into the Pony Club website to access the page. The Rally Organizer's Guide is available for download from the website or purchase from Shop Pony Club. Suggestions for the page? Please email them to Activities@ponyclub.org.



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Rally Technical Delegate Reports

Regional rally organizers are reminded that Technical Delegate Reports are REQUIRED for standard rallies and requested for all rallies because they aid the discipline committees in monitoring the number of Pony Club competitors participating in the discipline across the U.S. Electronic versions of TD reports are always preferred, but hardcopy versions are also acceptable. Please make sure that your technical delegate is submitting the reports to the National Office.

USPC GYMKHANA ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Follow Gymkhana in USPC on Facebook, <u>www.facebook.com/ GymkhanainUSPC/</u>, for more information about Gymkhana in Pony Club.

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