

QUIZ 2012 Entry Packet

The 2012 QUIZ competition will be held on Saturday, March 3rd at the Conference Center in the Cool Springs Marriott Hotel in Franklin, Tennessee. The competition will be held according to the 2011 QUIZ Rulebook which can be reviewed at www.PonyClub.org .

On March 3rd, the registration table opens at 8:00 am CST and Competition begins promptly at 10:00 am CST.

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Opening date is: January 9, 2012

Closing date is: February 3, 2012 (post mark date)

The divisions and team compositions are as follows: (Rulebook: Section I - General Regulations; Articles 4 and 5)

Article 4: **Divisions** are based on age (as of Jan.1) and HM rating as follows:

1. **Junior D (& Unrated)** – 12 years of age or less

NOTE: *If numbers and team composition warrant, D- Divisions may be divided into non-qualifying and qualifying.*

Non-qualifying Junior D: D-1 and UR, 12 and under

Qualifying Junior D: D-2 and D-3, 10-12 years of age

2. **Non-qualifying Senior D:** D-1 and UR, 13-21 years of age

Qualifying Senior D: D-2 and D-3, 13-21 years of age

3. **Junior C/H-B/B:** 14 years of age or less

4. **Senior C/H-B/B:** 15-21 years of age

5. **B/H/H-HM/H-A/A:** teams of only 2 members 14-21 years of age

NOTE: *If a non-qualifying competitor needs or chooses to compete in a qualifying Division, he/she will not be eligible to compete at Championships due to age and/or rating.*

Article 5: **Team composition**

1. A team consists of 3 or 4 members with one member being designated as captain. The team will belong to one of five Divisions based on age and HM rating.
2. D teams consist of any combination of Unrated through D-3 Pony Club members.
 - C/H-B/B teams consist of any combinations of C-1 through B.

- B/H/H-HM/H-A/A members may form 2-person teams.
 - No D may compete on a C team; and no C may compete on a D team.
 - No C may compete on a B/H/H-A/A team.
3. Unrated Pony Club members compete as D-1s and abide by D regulations.
 4. B rated Pony Club members have the option to compete in either the Senior C/H-B/B or the B/H/H-A/A Division.
 5. Teams comprised of both Junior and Senior individuals will compete in the Senior Division. A Junior, regardless of age, may compete on a Senior team with his/her consent and the consent of his/her DC or in the case of Championships his/her RS.
 6. Individuals may be placed on a short team from another Club or Region by an Organizer and at the discretion of the Organizer after consultation with all the resulting team members.

Fees:

Entry fee per competitor: \$100.00 (includes lunch voucher)

Due to restrictive costs, we are not providing “box lunches” in 2012. Lunch will be set up as a “Cash Sales” option in the lobby area, but we will have vouchers for a sandwich, drink and chips provided at no charge to the competitors and to volunteers who commit to working at least 4 hours.

The cash sales food will be available for non-volunteers and any other people who may want something to eat.

Banquet ticket: \$15.00 per person (the region will subsidize the remainder of the cost!)

Awards ceremony and dance: no fee

Friday evening Party: \$5.00 per person

Menu for Banquet: “Mexican theme” Buffet In an effort to find a menu that would be attractive to all ages at a reasonable cost, we chose a menu containing the ingredients to build your own tacos or create a taco salad. PLUS the region is subsidizing 50% of the cost of the meal so the cost to you is only \$15.00 per meal ordered. The Mexican Theme buffet was a great success in 2011, so let’s do it again!

Volunteers:

Each club needs to provide the names of at least TWO volunteers per team. Any volunteer who works in a position that lasts at least 4 hours will be given a lunch voucher in appreciation for their support of the competition.

Reader/scribes: The rulebook addresses assistance during the written test... *“Any competitor may have his/her test read to him/her. A reader will be assigned by the Organizer.”* If you have a competitor who cannot complete the competition without assistance due to a physical condition, please contact the secretary to discuss.

The inability to read or write due to age is not considered a physical condition so please take that into consideration when completing the entry forms.

Hotel information:

A block of rooms is being held for us at the Cool Springs Marriott at the rate of \$109 per night. To reserve a room, please contact 1-888-403-6772 and be sure to identify yourself as a QUIZ participant so you can ask for the special **US Pony Club rate**.

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/BNACS?groupCode=USPUSPA&app=resvlink&fromDate=3/2/12&toDate=3/4/12>

Friday night Pizza Party, Games and Crazy House Shoe Contest!

This year we'd like to offer something for you to do when you arrive at the hotel on Friday evening, March 4th. For a nominal fee, from 6 pm to 8:30 pm we'll have a Pizza Party. Wear your CRAZIEST house shoes and you might win a Prize!!! The cost of the Friday night fun will be only \$5.00 per person, and is open to non-competing children and adults alike. Payment and reservations are due with the entry packet, please.

Composite Teams:

If you can contact other DCs and make up your own composite teams, that would be appreciated. Perhaps you know of other successful groupings from other Midsouth events (like any of the mounted rallies). However, if you're stuck, I can create composite teams as needed.

Competitor Attire: (once again, straight from the 2011 QUIZ Rulebook and newsletter)

1. Clean, neat, appropriate attire is expected. A collared shirt is required for all competitors, and failure to wear one will result in 3 points off for each phase of competition
2. Appropriate dress and safe footwear is required during all Barn Phases. *Refer to current Horse Management Handbook and Rules for Competition.*
3. A USPC pin, number (pinny), USPC Medical Card and name badge must be worn at all times while on Rally grounds. At the discretion of the Organizer, competitors may carry their Medical Card either in their name tag holders or in an armband.
4. Refer to current *Horse Management Handbook and Rules for Competition* for current rules on jewelry.

No paddock boots means elimination from barn phase; no pin means penalty points every phase; no medical armband/medical card means CANNOT COMPETE!

2012 QUIZ Entry Form (One form per team)

Name of Club: _____ Division: _____

I = Jr. D; II = Sr. D; III = Jr. C; IV = Sr. C/H-B/B; V = B-A (2 man team)

Name of Pony Club member; Address; Phone and E-mail	Captain?	Age/ DOB	HM rating?	I Jr.D	II Sr. D	III Jr.C	IV Sr.C/H- B/B	V B-A 2-man	Champs?

Chaperone (name, address, phone, email)

Volunteer #1 (name, address, phone, email)

Volunteer #2 (name, address, phone, email)

Checklist:

- Entry Form
- Medical card in armband
- Competitive Rally Release Form
- Chaperone Duties form
- Volunteers

Check for entry fees plus meals

As District Commissioner of the above-named club, I declare that all of the above-named Pony Club members are bona fide members of the USPC with all National and Regional dues paid as of this date.

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ E-mail _____

Signed: _____ Date _____

_____ per team

Fee Calculation: Please Return this Page along with the team entry forms!!!!
Check made payable to Midsouth Region – club check ONLY attached.

Name	Competitor \$100.00 per entry	Volunteer? Yes or No	Friday Pizza Party @ \$5 each			NO LUNCH Will make other plans	Banquet @ \$15.00 each	Total:
Example: Susie Sunshine	\$100.00		\$5.00				\$15.00	\$120.00
Example: Mary Sunshine, parent		Yes	\$5.00				\$15.00	\$ 20.00
Total/subtotal if more than 1 page								

Copy page as needed..... RETURN A COPY OF THIS SHEET WITH THE ENTRY PACKET!!! Call with any questions: 615-273-5835

COMPETITOR ACTIVITY/ RALLY RELEASE (must return both pages for each competitor in entry packet)

Name of Competitor _____

I **AGREE** for myself, and/or my child, my/our administrators and assigns, in consideration for my, and/or my child's, participation in all United States Pony Clubs, Inc. (USPC) activities (Club, Regional or National) to the following:

- (1) the acceptance of competitor as a participant in the Activity by the United States Pony Clubs, Inc. does not constitute a determination of any nature by the United States Pony Clubs, Inc., its affiliates, employees and agents ("USPC") that the Activity is suitable, safe or otherwise appropriate, for Competitor, by reason of Competitor having attained any specific USPC Rating Level or otherwise, and that USPC makes no determinations, evaluation, representation or warranty to any such effect,
- (2) they understand the Activity and the jumps, courses and equestrian performances, competitions and activities (mounted or un-mounted) constituting the Activity, any and all of which may, in fact, be more difficult and different than those constituting the jumps, courses and equestrian performances, competition and activities (mounted or un-mounted) used in establishing, testing for and assigning or awarding any USPC (or other organization's) Rating Level,
- (3) they understand that equestrian activities such as the Activity are inherently dangerous and that they accept the inherent risks involved therein (including, without limitation, the risk of injury, death and damage or destruction to or of horses and other property),
- (4) the decision to participate in the Activity, and any evaluation of the Competitor's ability to safely and competently participate therein, has been made at the sole and absolute discretion of the Competitor and Parent(s) and Competitor and Parent(s) accept complete responsibility for such decision and such participation,
- (5) Competitor and Parent(s) have read and understand the policies and regulations governing the United States Pony Clubs, Inc., participation in activities sponsored or operated by it, and specifically the rules of the Activity, and each agree to abide by such rules, as now in effect, and as amended and in effect from time to time hereafter,
- (6) Competitor and Parent(s) understand that failure to adhere to the code of conduct and/or policies and regulations may result in dismissal from the competition or other such action as deemed necessary by the officials of the competition.
- (7) Competitor's entry into this competition constitutes his/her release to photograph and/or videotape and publish and/or broadcast his/her involvement in this competition to USPC.
- (8) Competitor and Parent(s) each hereby release and agree to hold harmless USPC, its officers, agents, representatives as well as the land owner, his heirs, estate, etc. from and against any claims and causes or action, Competitor or Parent(s) (or their respective successors, representatives, heirs or assigns) may have as a result of Competitor's participation in above stated Activity.
- (9) participation in a USPC Activity/Rally is a privilege, not a right, and entry and/or participation may be refused at any time, with or without cause, for any reason, in the sole and absolute discretion of the Regional Supervisor/ Organizer, including but not limited to the determination that the entry and/or continued participation might obstruct the activity and/or reflect adversely on the USPC.
- (10) they expressly assume all risks of harm to competitor or competitor's mount, including harm resulting from negligence of the USPC or the USPC activity, and specifically agree to the applicable state statute/law regarding equine/farm animal activity liability and signed posting (if any), in any state in which competitor participates in a USPC activity. A true copy of the state statutes in effect at the time of the execution of this agreement is included and incorporated herein.

Signature of Competitor - if legal age of majority for the participant's state of residence or emancipated Date

Signature of Parent (only one needed) Date Signature of 2nd Parent (Optional) Date

COMPETITOR INFORMATION FORM – ACTIVITY/RALLY (return in entry packet with competitor activity/rally release form) one per competitor

Please Print Clearly

Name of Participant/Competitor: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____
DOB: _____ Age on 1/1/: _____ Rating: _____ Email: _____

Parent(s): Cell Phone#: (_____) _____

Name of Pony Club: _____

NOTE: Chaperones must read and bring copy of current Rule Book

Quiz: Jr. D ___ Sr. D ___ Jr. C ___ Sr. C ___ B/H/H-A _____

The above information is correct..

Signature of Pony Club Member / Date

I/We, the parent(s) of _____ have reviewed the above information and we agree to allow our child to compete in the discipline and at the level as so noted above in the United States Pony Club Activity/Rally.

Parent/Guardian Signature (Only 1 signature required) Date Parent/Guardian Signature Date

CODE OF CONDUCT

The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. is proud of its reputation for good sportsmanship, horsemanship, teamwork and well-behaved members. The USPC expects appropriate behavior from all members, parents and others participating in any Pony Club activity. Inappropriate behavior may include, but is not limited to: possession, use or distribution of any illegal drugs or alcohol; profanity, vulgar language or gestures; harassment (*i.e.*, using words or actions that intimidate, threaten or persecute others before, during or following Pony Club activities); failure to follow rules; cheating; and abusing a horse.

I understand that USPC activities operate under the governance of National, Region and Club By-Laws, Policies and Rulebooks. I understand that I have access to these By-Laws, Policies and Rulebooks and that it is my responsibility to read them.

Participation in any USPC activity constitutes a release to be photographed and/or videotaped. Said photographs and/or videotapes may be posted, published or broadcast at the discretion of USPC, Inc. USPC utilizes e-mail to communicate with Members, by submitting this application authorization of this form of correspondence is implied.

Parent/Guardian Signature (only one required) AND _____ Competitors Signature Date