



Center Program

2009 PARTICIPATING MEMBER APPLICATION

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1. Mail **ORIGINAL** to the **USPC National Office**, a copy to your RS, and keep a copy for center records.
2. **Dues must be paid with a personal check.**
3. This application must be complete with all **required signatures** and **received by the National Office with all requisite fees before this applicant may participate in any Pony Club activities.**
4. Any application returned for missing information or invalid signatures must be resubmitted and is subject to a **\$5.00 Return Fee.**
5. **Applications submitted by anyone other than the CA or center designee will be returned without processing.**

Center Name _____
 Center No. _____
 Region Name _____

Please check all that apply; fees are for National Dues only.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$95 New Member for 2009 joining between 01/01/09 and 12/31/09. | <input type="checkbox"/> \$85 Renewal Member for 2009, postmarked on or before 11/15/08. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$120 Prorated New Member joining between 09/01/08 and 12/31/08 for the remainder of 2008 & all of 2009. | <input type="checkbox"/> \$110 Prorated Renewal rejoining between 09/01/08 and 12/31/08 for the remainder of 2008 & all of 2009. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transfer No charge if current member. If not, must renew. | <input type="checkbox"/> \$90 Late Renewal for 2009, postmarked after 11/15/08 |

➔ **Indicate previous club/center** _____

ORIGINAL SIGNATURE OF CENTER ADMINISTRATOR

MEMBER INFORMATION

Join Date _____
FIRST DATE OF PARTICIPATION FOR 2009 MEMBER YEAR

Name _____
LAST, SUFFIX (IF APPLICABLE) FIRST MIDDLE PREFERRED (IF DIFFERENT FROM FIRST)

Gender M F Birth Date _____ Rating _____ CA Initials _____
HIGHEST ACHIEVED DATE ACHIEVED ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RATING UPDATE

Mailing Address _____
P.O. BOX/STREET CITY STATE ZIP + 4 (IF KNOWN)

Phone No. _____ E-mail _____
HOME MOBILE/ADDITIONAL (OPTIONAL)

2009 Memberships USEF _____ USDF _____ USEA _____ USHJA _____
MEMBER NUMBER MEMBER NUMBER MEMBER NUMBER MEMBER NUMBER

AQHA 4-H Other national organizations _____

PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN/SPOUSE INFORMATION IF ADDRESS IS DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE, PLEASE ATTACH SEPARATELY.

Name _____ USPC Alumni?
PRIMARY LAST, SUFFIX (IF APPLICABLE) FIRST MIDDLE

Phone No. _____ E-mail _____
WORK (OPTIONAL) MOBILE/ADDITIONAL (OPTIONAL)

Name _____ USPC Alumni?
ADD'L LAST, SUFFIX (IF APPLICABLE) FIRST MIDDLE

Phone No. _____ E-mail _____
WORK (OPTIONAL) MOBILE/ADDITIONAL (OPTIONAL)

WEBSITE ACCESS OPT OUT *In the future, the USPC website will include areas from which personally identifiable information may be collected. Parental consent is required for a minor under 13 years of age to use the USPC website; parental supervision is recommended. If parental consent is denied for the above Member to establish a username and password to access areas of the USPC website, indicate by checking the box at right.*

MAILING ADDRESS OPT OUT *I acknowledge that USPC may distribute adult mailing addresses on a limited basis for development and member opportunities (USPC does not sell mailing lists). To deny consent for the release of adult mailing address, indicate by checking the box at right.*

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 includes, 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 the local Pony Club Riding Center to which I am applying is under the governance of USPC. USPC does not own or operate any USPC Riding Center. As specified in the Bylaws, membership may be denied or revoked at any time, with or without cause. Should my membership be terminated or forfeited for any reason, I understand that there will be no refund of national membership dues.

Participation in any USPC activity constitutes a release to be photographed and/or videotaped. Said photographs and/or videotapes may be 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.

I have read and agree to abide by the above. REQUIRED regardless of age, all signatures must be originals, not photocopies.

ORIGINAL SIGNATURE OF USPC MEMBER APPLICANT DATE

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ORIGINAL SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN DATE
 REQUIRED IF APPLICANT IS UNDER THE AGE OF MAJORITY IN THEIR STATE OF RESIDENCE.

STATE EQUINE LIABILITY WARNINGS

PLEASE RETAIN FOR YOUR PERSONAL RECORDS

ALABAMA

WARNING: Under Alabama law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to the Equine Activities Liability Protection Act.

ARIZONA

WARNING: Contestant is aware of the inherent risks associated with equine activities and is willing and able to accept full responsibilities for his or her own safety and welfare. Contestant releases the Event Sponsor from liability unless Event Sponsor is grossly negligent or commits willful, wanton or intentional acts or omissions.

ARKANSAS

WARNING: Under Arkansas law, an equine activity sponsor is not liable for an injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risk of equine activities.

COLORADO

WARNING: Under Colorado Law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to section 13-21-119, Colorado Revised Statutes.

DELAWARE

WARNING: Under Delaware Law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to 10 Delaware Code Section 8140.

FLORIDA

WARNING: Under Florida law, an equine sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.

GEORGIA

WARNING: Under Georgia law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to Chapter 12 of Title 4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

ILLINOIS

WARNING: Under the Equine Activity Liability Act, each participant who engages in an equine activity expressly assumes the risks of engaging in and legal responsibility for injury, loss, or damage to person or property resulting from the risk of equine activities.

INDIANA

WARNING: Under Indiana law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.

IOWA

WARNING: UNDER IOWA LAW, A DOMESTICATED ANIMAL PROFESSIONAL IS NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES SUFFERED BY, AN INJURY TO, OR THE DEATH OF A PARTICIPANT RESULTING FROM THE INHERENT RISKS OF DOMESTICATED ANIMAL ACTIVITIES, PURSUANT TO IOWA CODE CHAPTER 673. YOU ARE ASSUMING INHERENT RISKS OF PARTICIPATING IN THIS DOMESTICATED ANIMAL ACTIVITY.

Iowa Statement of Inherent Risks

A number of inherent risks are associated with a domesticated animal activity. A domesticated animal may behave in a manner that results in damages to property or an injury or death to a person. Risks associated with the activity may include injuries caused by bucking, biting, stumbling, rearing, trampling, scratching, pecking, falling, or butting. The domesticated animal may act unpredictably to conditions, including, but not limited to, a sudden movement, loud noise, an unfamiliar environment, or the introduction of unfamiliar persons, animals, or objects.

The domesticated animal may also react in a dangerous manner when a condition or treatment is considered hazardous to the welfare of the animal; a collision occurs with an object or animal; or a participant fails to exercise reasonable care, take adequate precautions, or use adequate control when engaging in a domesticated animal activity, including failing to maintain reasonable control of the animal or failing to act in a manner consistent with the person's abilities.

KANSAS

WARNING: Under Kansas law, there is no liability for an injury to or the death of a participant in domestic animal activities resulting from the inherent risks of domestic animal activities, pursuant to sections 1 through 4. You are assuming the risk of participating in this domestic animal activity.

Kansas Statement of Inherent Risks:

Inherent risks of domestic animal activities include, but shall not be limited to:

The propensity of a domestic animal to behave in ways i.e., running, bucking, biting, kicking, shying, stumbling, rearing, falling or stepping on, that may result in an injury, harm or death to persons on or around them;

the unpredictability of a domestic animal's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement and unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals;

certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions;

collisions with other domestic animals or objects; and

the potential of a participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the domestic animal or not acting within such participant's ability.

KENTUCKY

WARNING: Under Kentucky law, a farm animal activity sponsor, farm animal professional, or other person does not have the duty to eliminate all risks of injury of participation in farm animal activities. There are inherent risks of injury that you voluntarily accept if you participate in farm animal activities.

LOUISIANA

WARNING: Under Louisiana law, an equine sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to R.S. 9:2795.3.

MAINE

WARNING: UNDER MAINE LAW, AN EQUINE PROFESSIONAL HAS LIMITED LIABILITY FOR AN INJURY OR DEATH RESULTING FROM THE INHERENT RISKS OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES.

MASSACHUSETTS

WARNING: Under Massachusetts law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to section 2D of chapter 128 of the General Laws.

MICHIGAN

WARNING: Under the Michigan equine activity liability act, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in an equine activity resulting from an inherent risk of the equine activity.

MISSOURI

WARNING: Under Missouri law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

MISSISSIPPI

WARNING: Under Mississippi law, an equine activity or equine sponsor is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to this chapter.

NEBRASKA

WARNING: Under Nebraska law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to this act [Sections 25-21, 249 to 25-21, 253].

NORTH CAROLINA

WARNING: Under North Carolina law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting exclusively from the inherent risks of equine activities. Chapter 99E of the North Carolina General Statutes.

OHIO

Ohio Statement of Inherent Risks:

"INHERENT RISK OF AN EQUINE ACTIVITY" MEANS A DANGER OR CONDITION THAT IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF AN EQUINE ACTIVITY, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

THE PROPENSITY OF AN EQUINE TO BEHAVE IN WAYS THAT MAY RESULT IN INJURY, DEATH, OR LOSS TO PERSONS ON OR AROUND THE EQUINE; THE UNPREDICTABILITY OF AN EQUINE'S REACTION TO SOUNDS, SUDDEN MOVEMENT, UNFAMILIAR OBJECTS, PERSONS, OR OTHER ANIMALS; HAZARDS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, SURFACE OR SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS; A COLLISION WITH ANOTHER EQUINE, ANOTHER ANIMAL, A PERSON, OR AN OBJECT; THE POTENTIAL OF AN EQUINE ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT TO ACT IN A NEGLIGENT MANNER THAT MAY CONTRIBUTE TO INJURY, DEATH, OR LOSS TO THE PERSON OF THE PARTICIPANT OR TO OTHER PERSONS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, FAILING TO MAINTAIN CONTROL OVER AN EQUINE OR FAILING TO ACT WITHIN THE ABILITY OF THE PARTICIPANT.

OREGON

In accordance with Oregon Revised Statutes 30.691, Contestant (or persons or entities affiliated with Contestant), as a condition of participation in The Event, further waives the right to bring an action against the Event Sponsor (as defined in the Assumption of Risk, Waiver, or Release of Liability) for any injury or death arising out of riding, training, grooming or riding as a passenger upon the equine.

PENNSYLVANIA

WARNING: Under Pennsylvania law an equine professional and equine activity sponsor is not liable for an injury to or death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.

RHODE ISLAND

WARNING: Under Rhode Island Law, an equine professional, unless he or she can be shown to have failed to be in the exercise of due care, is not liable for an injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to this chapter.

SOUTH CAROLINA

WARNING: Under South Carolina law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in an equine activity resulting from an inherent risk of equine activity, pursuant to Article 7, Chapter 9 of Title 47, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976.

SOUTH DAKOTA

WARNING: Under South Dakota law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to Section 42-11-2.

TENNESSEE

WARNING: Under Tennessee Law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, title 44, chapter 20.

TEXAS

WARNING: UNDER TEXAS LAW (CHAPTER 87, CIVIL PRACTICE AND REMEDIES CODE), AN EQUINE PROFESSIONAL IS NOT LIABLE FOR AN INJURY TO OR THE DEATH OF A PARTICIPANT IN EQUINE ACTIVITIES RESULTING FROM THE INHERENT RISKS OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES.

UTAH

Pursuant to the Utah Equine Activity Liability Act, § 78-27b-101, et. seq., it shall be presumed that participants in equine or livestock activities are aware of and understand that there are inherent risks associated with these activities. An equine activity sponsor, equine professional, livestock activity sponsor, or livestock professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant due to the inherent risks associated with these activities. "Inherent risk" with regard to equine or livestock activities means those dangers or conditions which are an integral part of equine or livestock activities, which may include:

The propensity of the animal to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them; the unpredictability of the animal's reaction to outside stimulation such as sounds, sudden movement, and unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals; collisions with other animals or objects; the potential of a participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the animal or not acting within his or her ability.

VERMONT

WARNING: Under Vermont Law, an equine activity sponsor is not liable for an injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities that are obvious and necessary, pursuant to 12 V.S.A § 1039.

VIRGINIA

Notice of Intrinsic Dangers of Equine Activities pursuant to Code of Virginia § 3.1-796.130c: "Intrinsic dangers of equine activities" means those dangers or conditions that are an integral part of equine activities, including but not limited to, (i) the propensity of equine to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them; (ii) the unpredictability of an equine's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement, and unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals; (iii) certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions; (iv) collisions with other animals or objects; and (v) the potential of a participant acting in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the equine or not acting within the participant's ability.

WEST VIRGINIA

WEST VIRGINIA EQUESTRIAN ACTIVITIES RESPONSIBILITY ACT STATEMENT FOR HORSEMEN:

I ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT I WILL PERFORM THE DUTIES REQUIRED OF ALL HORSEMEN UNDER THE WEST VIRGINIA EQUINE ACTIVITIES RESPONSIBILITY ACT, W. VA. CODE § 20-4-1, ET SEQ., WHICH INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

Make reasonable and prudent efforts to determine the ability of a participant to safely engage in the equestrian activity, to determine the ability of the horse to behave safely with the participant, and to determine the ability of the participant to safely manage, care for and control the particular horse involved;

Make known to any participant any dangerous traits or characteristics or any physical impairments or conditions related to a particular horse which is involved in the equestrian activity of which the horseman knows or through the exercise of due diligence could know;

Make known to any participant any dangerous condition as to land or facilities under the lawful possession and control of the horseman of which the horseman knows or through the exercise of due diligence could know, by advising the participant in writing or by conspicuously posting warning signs upon the premises;

In providing equipment or tack to a participant, make reasonable and prudent efforts to inspect such equipment or tack to assure that it is in proper working condition and safe for use in the equestrian activity;

Prepare and present to each participant or prospective participant, for his or her inspection and signature, a statement which clearly and concisely explains the liability limitations, restrictions and responsibilities set forth under the West Virginia Equestrian Activities Responsibility Act.

WISCONSIN

NOTICE: A person who is engaged for compensation in the rental of equine or equine equipment or tack or in the instruction of a person in the riding or driving of an equine or in being a passenger upon an equine is not liable for the injury or death of a person involved in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, as defined in section 895.481(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

