



2010 PARTICIPATING MEMBER APPLICATION

1. DUES MUST BE PAID WITH A CLUB CHECK. 2. 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 ACTIVITY. 3. Any application returned as INCOMPLETE, with MISSING INFORMATION or with INVALID SIGNATURES must be resubmitted and is subject to a \$5.00 RETURN FEE. 4. APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED BY ANYONE OTHER THAN THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER OR APPOINTED CLUB OFFICER WILL BE RETURNED WITHOUT PROCESSING.

Club Name _____
Region Name _____
Club No _____
Submitted by _____
MUST BE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER OR APPOINTED CLUB OFFICER
Phone No _____
E-mail _____

Please check all that apply; FEES ARE FOR NATIONAL DUES ONLY.

- \$115 New Member for 2010 joining between 01/01/10 and 12/31/10.
 - \$95 Renewal Member for 2010, postmarked on or before 11/15/09.
 - \$140 Prorated New Member joining between 09/01/09 and 12/31/09 for the remainder of 2009 & all of 2010.
 - \$120 Prorated Renewal rejoining between 09/01/09 and 12/31/09 for the remainder of 2009 & all of 2010.
 - Transfer No charge if current member. If not, must renew
 - \$105 Late Renewal for 2010, postmarked after 11/15/09.
- Previous club/center _____

MEMBER INFORMATION

Join Date _____
FIRST DATE OF PARTICIPATION FOR 2010 MEMBER YEAR

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

Gender M F Birth Date _____ Rating _____ DC Initials _____
MM/DD/YYYY HIGHEST ACHIEVED MM/DD/YYYY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RATING UPDATE

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

Phone Nos _____ E-mail _____
HOME MOBILE

2010 Memberships? USEF USDF USEA USHJA
CHECK TO INDICATE YES MEMBER NUMBER MEMBER NUMBER MEMBER NUMBER MEMBER NUMBER

AQHA 4-H Other national organizations _____

PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN/SPOUSE INFORMATION *If address or home phone is different from above, please attach separately.*

Name _____ USPC Alumnus?
PRIM. LAST+SUFFIX (IF APPLICABLE) FIRST MIDDLE CHECK TO INDICATE YES

Phone Nos _____ E-mail _____
WORK MOBILE

Name _____ USPC Alumnus?
ADDL. LAST+SUFFIX (IF APPLICABLE) FIRST MIDDLE CHECK TO INDICATE YES

Phone Nos _____ E-mail _____
WORK MOBILE

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. *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 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 the local club to which I am applying is under the governance of National, Region and Club By-Laws and Policies. I understand that I have access to these By-Laws and Policies, and that it is my responsibility to read them. As specified in the By-Laws, 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 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.

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 MM/DD/YYYY & ORIGINAL SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN MM/DD/YYYY
REQUIRED IF APPLICANT IS UNDER THE AGE OF MAJORITY IN THEIR STATE OF RESIDENCE.

THE UNITED STATES PONY CLUBS, INC.
RELEASE, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, WAIVER OF LIABILITY, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

This document waives important legal rights. Read it carefully before signing.

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

I **AGREE** that I choose to participate voluntarily in an equestrian activity, as a rider, driver, handler, lessee, owner, agent, spectator, volunteer, and/or trainer. I am fully aware and acknowledge that horse sports and USPC activities involve inherent dangerous risks of accident, loss, and serious bodily injury including, but not limited to, broken bones, head injuries, trauma, pain, suffering or death ("Harm"). I fully understand that this release covers, but is not limited to, inherent risks of an equine activity which mean 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.

I **AGREE** to release the USPC, its successors or assigns, officials, officers, directors, employees, agents, personnel, volunteers and affiliated organizations from all claims including, but not limited to, claims for money or property, disability, covenants, actions, suits, causes or action, obligations, debts, costs, expenses, attorneys' fees, judgments, orders and liabilities of whatsoever kind or nature in law, equity or otherwise, whether now known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, and whether concealed or hidden, including but not limited to any state or federal statutory or common law claim or remedy of any kind whatsoever arising out of or in any way connected with any Harm to me or my horse and for any Harm caused by me or my horse to others, even if the Harm resulted, directly or indirectly, from the negligence of the USPC or the USPC activity.

I **AGREE** to expressly assume all risks of Harm to me or my horse, including Harm resulting from the 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 I or my child participates in a USPC activity. A true copy for all state statutes in effect at the time of the execution of this agreement is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if set out fully in the text of this document.**

I **AGREE** to indemnify (that is, to pay any losses, damages, or costs incurred by) the USPC and the USPC activity and to hold them harmless with respect to claims for Harm to me or my horse, and for claims made by others for any Harm caused by me or my horse in the USPC activity.

I **AGREE** that neither I, nor any one claiming through me, will hereafter bring, commence, prosecute or maintain, or cause or permit to be brought, commenced, prosecuted or maintained, any suit or action, either at law or in equity, in any court in the United States or in any state thereof, or elsewhere, against the USPC, its successors or assigns, for, on account of, arising out of, or in any way connected with any Harm to me or my horse, and that neither I, nor any one claiming through me, will enforce, prosecute, or recover upon, or attempt to enforce, prosecute, or recover upon, any claim or right of action whatsoever, which I, or any one claiming through me, may now have or hereafter assert, in any way connected with claims for Harm to me or my horse, and for claims made by others for any Harms caused by me or my horse at the USPC activity.

I **AGREE** this Agreement is the entire agreement of the parties, and supersedes all prior oral and written understandings and agreements. This Agreement may be modified only by a written amendment signed by both parties.

I **AGREE** that if any provision of the Agreement is found to be invalid or illegal by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall be construed as if the affected provision had not been included in order to effectuate the intent of the parties.

In the event this form is signed by the parent/guardian of a child, then all representations and acknowledgements herein are expressly made by, for, and on behalf of the parent/guardian and child.

By signing below, I **AGREE** to be bound by all applicable USPC rules and all terms and provisions of the USPC activity. I acknowledge that I enter into this release after having read the same, and place my signature hereto of my own free voluntary act and deed. By signing below, I represent to the USPC that I fully understand its contents, that I do not need any further explanation, and I waive any further explanation.

I **AGREE** that by altering this form in any way this application for membership will be considered null and void by USPC.

I have read and AGREE to abide by the above. REQUIRED, all signatures must be originals, not photocopies.

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