Appendix VI Guidelines for Coaching at USPC Games Rallies

Coaches are recommended for rallies and Championships. Coaches must be 18 years of age. 16 year olds with an H-A certificate may be coaches but may not compete at that competition. Advanced riders in the same competition may serve as coaches for Juniors and Seniors as long as their own mount is cared for properly.

All teams may have a coach; teams may share a coach.

Teams do not have to have a coach present while mounted.

A team in the warm-up or holding areas, whose coach is not present may approach another coach and ask for help.

Coaches should:

- Review the rules of competition with riders before competition begins.
- Schedule a team meeting to discuss how best to utilize the coach within the team.
- Discuss warm-up area strategy techniques and problemsolving.
- Help any Pony Club competitor who asks for help or who is present without a coach.

Coaches may:

- Observe, but not participate in, soundness checks or horse inspections (jogs) or turnout inspections.
- Assist competitors in the designated warm-up areas only.
- Briefly meet with the team to assess the games just ridden and help create a plan for the next round.

Coaches must:

- Wear the identification provided by the organizer during the competition.
- Understand and comply with the current USPC Games Rulebook.
- Read, sign and return to the organizer a copy of this form.
- Attend the official briefing for coaches.

Coaches may not:

- Provide unauthorized assistance.
- Be a team chaperone, except with the permission of the rally organizer.
- Be the rally organizer, a member of the organizing committee or an official of the competition.
- Be a regional supervisor at a regional competition.
- Enter the stable area except at authorized visiting times.
- The coach is not present to give riding lessons in the warmup area.
- Approach a judge during the games competition. Questions can be directed to the TD.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE AND I AGREE TO ABIDE BY THESE GUIDELINES AND THE RULES OF THE GAMES RULEBOOK

Signature	
Date	
Print Name	
Team (Region)	
Coach Cell Phone Number	
RS Signature	