28. Timed Events, General Rules

- 28.1. Required Equipment
  - 28.1.1. Bridle or Hackamore
  - 28.1.2. Western type saddle with horn
  - 28.1.3. Roping, Romal, or Mecate reins
- 28.2. Prohibited Equipment
  - 28.2.1. Halters
  - 28.2.2. Split Reins
  - 28.2.3. Chaps, ½ Chaps, or Chinks
  - 28.2.4. Lariat Ropes
- 28.3. Optional Equipment
  - 28.3.1. Slip or gag bits
  - 28.3.2. Nosebands
  - 28.3.3. Spurs
  - 28.3.4. Protective boots, leg wraps, and bandages
  - 28.3.5. Over and Under
    - 28.3.5.1. May be inspected by the judge
  - 28.3.6. Tie-Downs
    - 28.3.6.1. Attached to or under breast collar
    - 28.3.6.2. Fitted properly as to not be a danger if equine falls or athlete loses control (at judge's discretion)
  - 28.3.7. Martingales
    - 28.3.7.1. Fitted properly as to not be a danger if equine falls or athlete loses control (at judge's discretion)
    - 28.3.7.2. Rein Stops are required on Running Martingales
  - 28.3.8. Ribbons, paint, glitter and speed beads
- 28.4. Timing
  - 28.4.1. An Electronic-Eye type timer will be used if at all possible
    - 28.4.1.1. All events will be measured and recorded to the Thousandths place (16.010). Additional numbers beyond the thousandths place will be dropped, no rounding.
- 28.5. Setting and Re-Setting the Course
  - 28.5.1. It is the judge's responsibility to oversee, supervise and participate in all course set up
  - 28.5.2. In NO event will the course be reset during a team or individual run
- 28.6. Arena Safety
  - 28.6.1. As soon as possible, after athlete enters the arena, ALL gates are to be closed and remain closed until athlete has completed their "run"
    - 28.6.1.1. Running in the gate is NOT allowed and will be considered an elimination/No time
    - 28.6.1.2. Gate does not have to be closed for athlete to start
  - 28.6.2. ONLY athletes on course, coaches, advisors, ring crew and officials are allowed in the arena during an event.

28.7. On Course
- 28.7.1. Is defined as starting when the athlete crosses the start line
- 28.7.2. Ends when the athlete crosses the finish line

28.8. Re-rides
- 28.8.1. May be awarded at Judge's Discretion
  - 28.8.1.1. Including, but not limited to:
    - 28.8.1.1.1. In the event both the official and the back-up timers fail
- 28.8.2. No penalties will be carried over
- 28.8.3. All new penalties will apply
- 28.8.4. Re-rides will be ridden at the bottom of the order for that event
- 28.8.5. Rider must request a re-ride immediately

28.9. Eliminations – Participation point awarded
- 28.9.1. Running in the arena and onto the course
- 28.9.2. Leaving the course, run outs, refusals, upsetting the starting poles
- 28.9.3. Upsetting timers or start poles
- 28.9.4. Failure to keep at least one hand on the reins, except when momentarily dropping them
- 28.9.5. Taking more than 30 seconds to cross the starting line
  - 28.9.5.1. The 30 seconds starts after the announcer has announced the athlete and the judge raises their hand with a closed fist indicating the course is ready
  - 28.9.5.2. The course is considered to be "ready" when the gate is open, the path through the gate is clean and the arena is clear.
- 28.9.6. Fall of the rider while on course
- 28.9.7. Dismounting at any time while on course (except in Team Canadian Flags)
- 28.9.8. Loss of control or an unmanageable equine
- **28.9.9. Athlete fails to enter and leave the arena demonstrating control**
- **28.9.10. Equine that constitute a safety hazard will be eliminated.**
- 28.9.11. Off Course
  - 28.9.11.1. Off Course will be defined as:
    - 28.9.11.1.1. Not following the prescribed pattern
    - 28.9.11.1.2. All 4 feet past any obstacle on the wrong side (except Keyhole, where any part on the line or past the neck is a No Time)
    - 28.9.11.1.3. Circling any part of the course before crossing the start line

28.10. Disqualifications – NO POINTS Awarded
- 28.10.1. Intentionally striking the equine with arena equipment
- 28.10.2. Abuse or inhumane treatment as determined by the judge
- 28.10.3. Unsportsmanlike or disorderly conduct in the arena

28.10.3.1. Including use of profane language

28.10.4. If an athlete/team enters the arena with missing required equipment illegal equipment, or illegal use of permitted equipment, including uniform violations, not considered unsafe, the athlete/team will be allowed to continue on the course and receive scores and comments but will be disqualified from the event.

28.10.5. Obvious lameness or unsoundness detected in participating equine.

28.11. Course Records

28.11.1. There are no ties; the record must be broken for it to be a new course record.

28.11.2. The course will immediately be measured and may not be more than 8" short in overall length.

28.11.2.1. In the Keyhole race, the course cannot be more than 4" over the correct width of the neck, or 4" shorter than the correct length of neck.

28.11.3. The electronic time will be accepted as official as long as the manual time supports it.

28.11.3.1. At judge's and official timer's discretion

28.11.4. If the electronic time fails and the manual back up time is a record,

28.11.4.1. The manual time may be used for class placing, but NOT as a "record"

28.11.4.1.1. The athlete has a choice to use the manual time

28.11.4.1.1.1 No Record

28.11.4.1.1.2. Receives class placing, based on manual time

28.11.4.1.2. The athlete may choose a re-ride

28.11.4.1.2.1.. If a re-ride is chosen, all re-ride rules apply

28.11.4.1.2.2. Once the re-ride begins (the athlete attempts to enter the arena) the athlete is committed to using the re-ride time. They may no longer choose to take their original time.

28.11.5. The athlete holding the best time in the State is deemed the State Record Holder, whether course is run at a District or State meet.

28.11.6. Records will be tracked for all events in each District and State Championship.

28.11.6.1. Each District will have a District Record in all timed events. The District Record shall be earned at a District Meet.

28.11.6.2. The State Championship will have a State Championship Record in all timed events. The State

Championship Record shall be earned at a State Championship Meet.

28.11.7. Record is to be confirmed in writing by the official timer and the judge utilizing the Timed Event Record Form.

28.11.7.1. This form should then be forwarded to the State Points Chair immediately following the meet.

28.11.7.2. All timed event record forms should be sent in to the State Points Chair, even if the record is broken again during the same event.

29. Individual Events

29.1. Texas Barrels

29.1.1. Penalties

29.1.1.1. Knocking over any barrel is a 5 second penalty

29.1.2. Equipment

29.1.2.1. Two start poles/cones

29.1.2.2. Barrels

29.1.2.2.1. Plastic barrel with rimmed bottom 30 to 35 pounds

29.1.3. Set Up

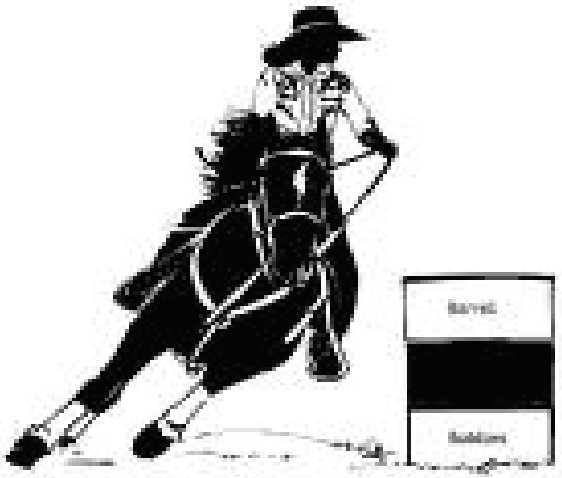
29.1.3.1. There is a 60' Start/Finish Line

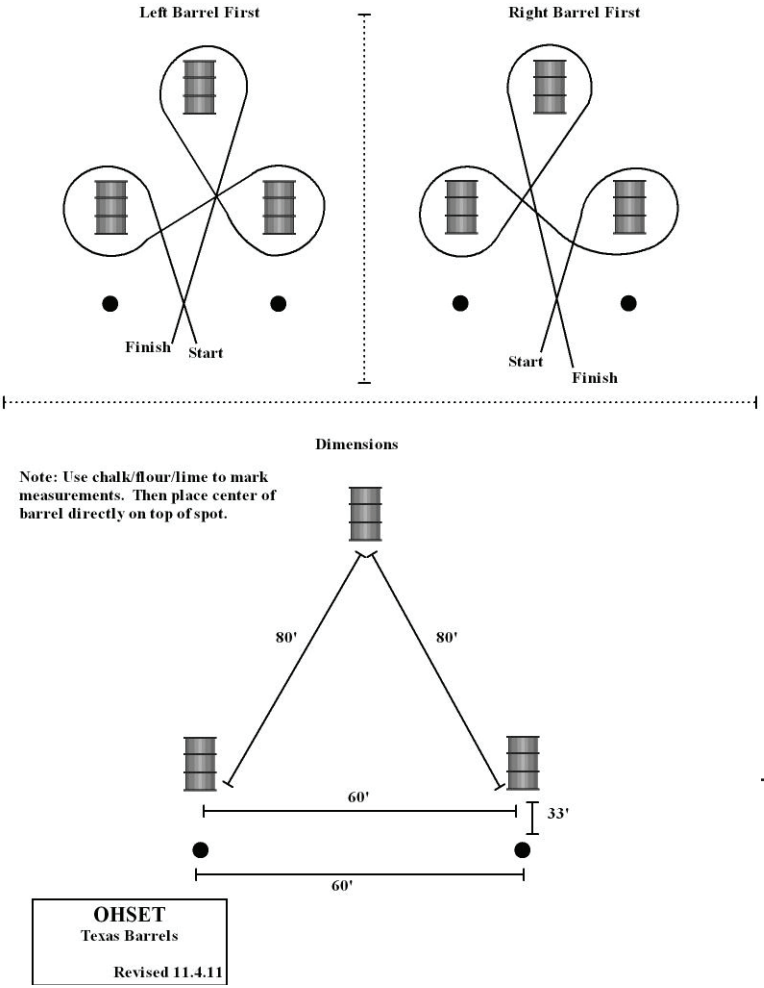
29.1.3.2. Three barrels shall be placed in a triangular formation

29.1.3.3. No. 1 and No. 2 barrels are set 33' from the start/finish line and 60' apart

29.1.3.4. No. 3 barrel is 80' from No. 1 and No. 2 barrels (See Diagram)

29.1.4. Prescribed Pattern





29.1.4.1. Rider crosses starting line, circles RIGHT barrel to right or LEFT barrel to left, then circles opposite barrel in opposite direction, then rides to MIDDLE barrel (3rd) and turns it the same direction as their second barrel, then races across finish line (See diagram)

29.2. Figure 8

29.2.1. Penalties

29.2.1.1. Knocking over either end pole is a 5 second penalty

29.2.1.2. Circling any part of the course before crossing the start line is a No Time

29.2.1.3. Athletes may start from either end of the course

29.2.1.3.1. Still only have 45 seconds to cross start line from the time the course is ready or No Time

29.2.2. Equipment

29.2.2.1. Four poles with bases

29.2.2.1.1. Black rubber base, 14 pounds, 6" tall, 14" across; total weight, pole and converter, approximately 16 pounds

29.2.2.1.2. Poles to be white with two 3" red or blue stripes. First is 1 foot from the top and the 2nd one foot down from the first stripe.

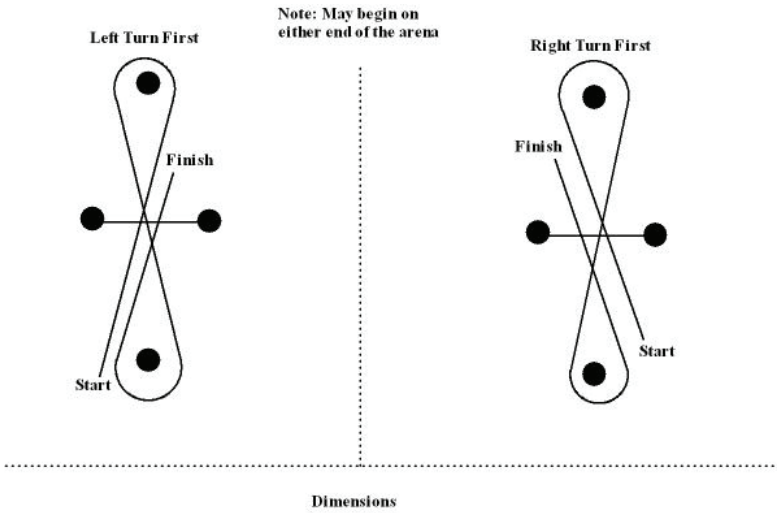
29.2.3. Set Up

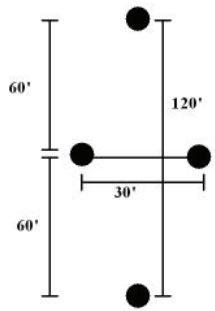
29.2.3.1. Two poles set 120' apart at opposite ends of the course

29.2.3.2. Two center poles (set at halfway mark), set 30' apart

29.2.3.2.1. Center poles are the start/finish line

29.2.4. Prescribed Pattern





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Note: Chalk, flour, or lime should be used to mark the spots when measuring. Center of Poles should be placed directly over spot.

29.2.4.1. Rider Starts between two center poles and runs a figure 8 around the two poles. (one turn to the left and one to the right)

29.2.4.2. First turn (direction) is optional

29.2.5. Diagram

29.3. Individual Flags

29.3.1. Penalties

29.3.1.1. Failure to switch flags and place them in the appropriate cans, in the correct order, and go around second barrel will result in a penalty.

29.3.1.1.1. Flag (or flag ends of staff) must be in the correct cans when athlete crosses the finish line for NO penalties.

29.3.1.1.2. A flag that falls out of the barrel after the athlete has crossed the finish line will NOT be penalized.

29.3.1.1.3. A flag that misses the 3rd barrel (1st barrel), or is carried over the start finish line will be a 5 second penalty.

29.3.1.1.4. Failure to place the first flag in the second barrel will be an elimination

29.3.1.2. All barrels must remain standing at the end of the run. Failure to do this will be an elimination.

29.3.2. Equipment

29.3.2.1. Two Start Poles

29.3.2.2. Two ¼ barrels (containers)

29.3.2.2.1. Painted White

29.3.2.3. Two Flags

29.3.2.3.1. One 1 1/16" diameter staff (doweling) – fir or hemlock

29.3.2.3.2. Five feet (5') long, painted white

29.3.2.3.3. Tapered at the bottom to a dull point

29.3.2.3.4. Flags to be sturdy cotton, double thickness, hemmed, Eight inches by twelve inches (8" x 12")

29.3.2.3.4.1. One white and one dark

29.3.2.3.4.2. Wrapped completely around the staff, leaving an eight inch by eight inch (8" x 8") portion free from the staff

29.3.3. Set Up

29.3.3.1. Two starting poles, 30' apart

29.3.3.2. Two containers placed 100' apart at opposite ends of the course

29.3.3.2.1. Each container will contain 8-10 inches of soil

29.3.3.3. First container is 20' from the start line

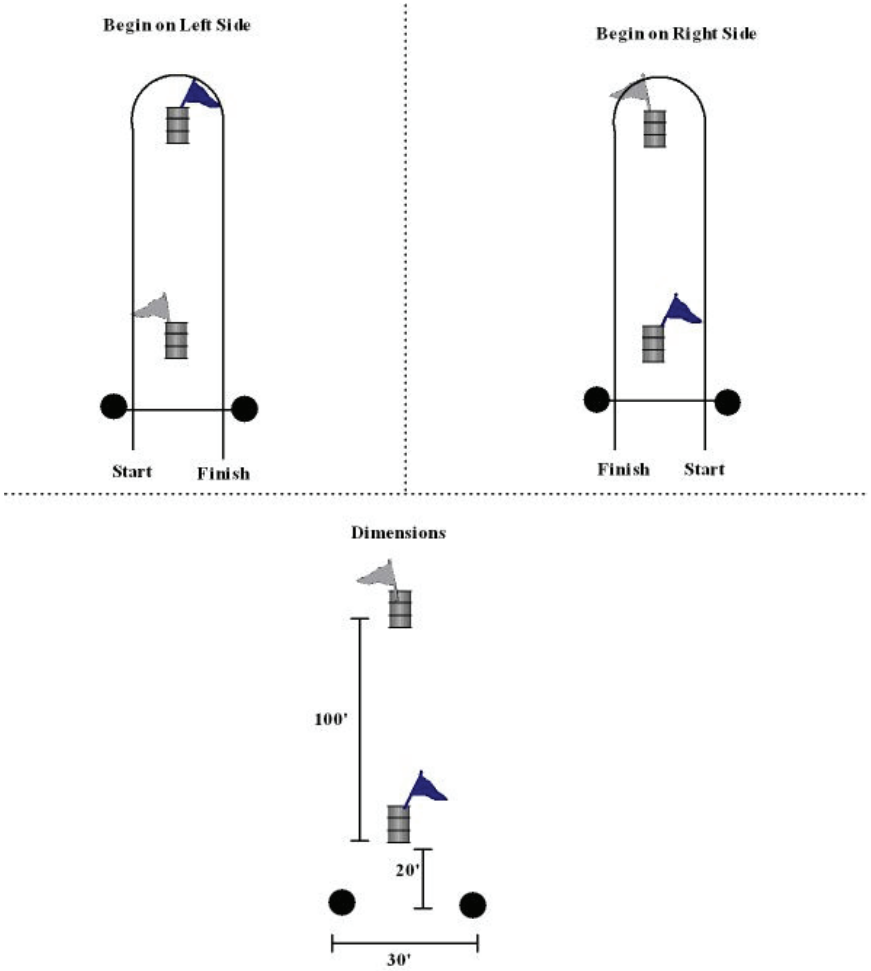
29.3.4. Prescribed Pattern

29.3.4.1. Athlete crosses starting line, goes to first container taking that flag out

29.3.4.2. Then while going around the second barrel, exchanges the flags

29.3.4.3. Returns to the first container and places the flag from the second container into the first container

29.3.4.4. Then crosses the finish line



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29.4. Keyhole

29.4.1. Penalties

29.4.1.1. Stepping on, or outside any line of the keyhole is an NO TIME

29.4.1.2. Any part of the hoof past the entrance of the key hole neck is a NO TIME

29.4.1.2.1. This “neck” line continues across the arena

29.4.2. Equipment

29.4.2.1. Two starting poles, 30’ apart

29.4.2.2. A keyhole marked with lime (or similar substance)

29.4.3. Set Up

29.4.3.1. The neck of the keyhole begins 80’ from start line in center of line – see diagram

29.4.3.1.1. The neck is five feet (5’) wide

29.4.3.1.2. The neck is ten feet (10’) long

29.4.3.2. Circle is 20’ diameter

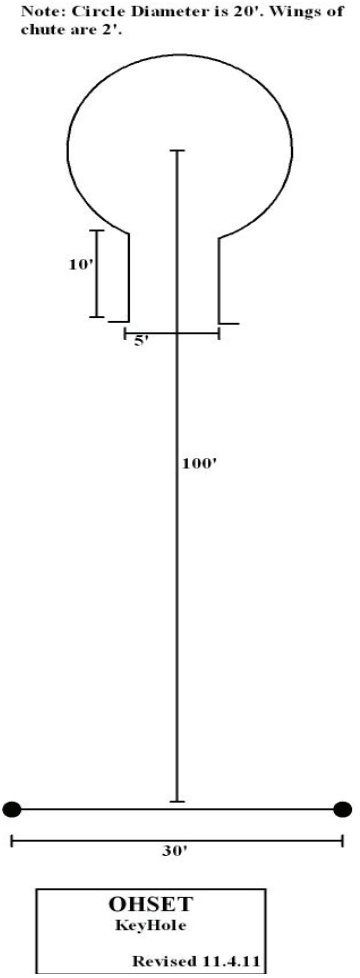
29.4.4. Prescribed Pattern

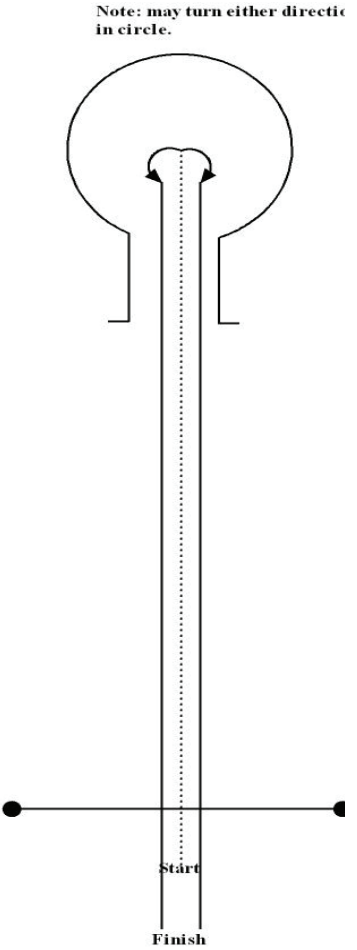
29.4.4.1. Athlete crosses the start/finish line, races into the circle of the keyhole (completely clearing the neck with all 4 hooves)

29.4.4.2. Turns horse 180 degrees either direction

29.4.4.3. Run out and across the start/finish line

29.4.5. Diagram





29.5. Pole Bending

29.5.1. Penalties

29.5.1.1. Each pole knocked down is a 5 second penalty

29.5.2. Equipment

29.5.2.1. Two starting poles, 30' apart

29.5.2.2. Six (6) additional poles with bases

29.5.2.2.1. Poles to be white, between 1" and 1 1/2" PVC pipe

29.5.2.2.2. The same diameter of pole will be used for each event.

29.5.2.2.3. Poles at the State Meet will be 1 1/2"

29.5.2.2.4. Schedule 40 or 80

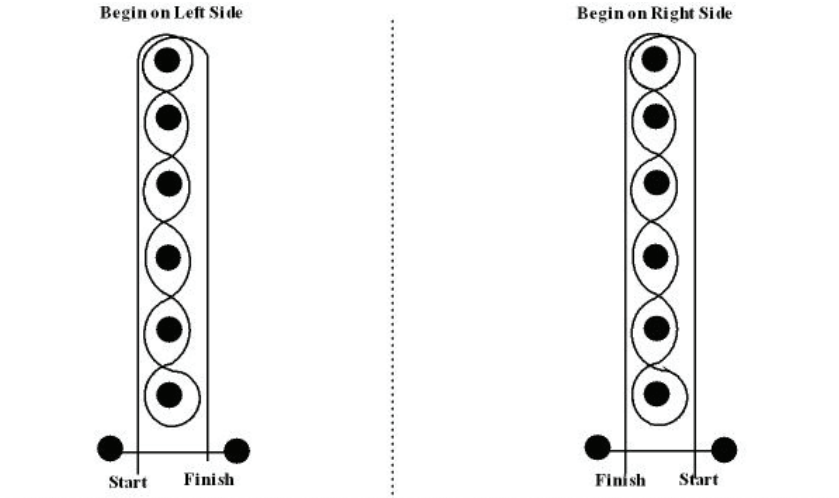
29.5.2.2.5. Eighty to eighty one (80-81) inches long

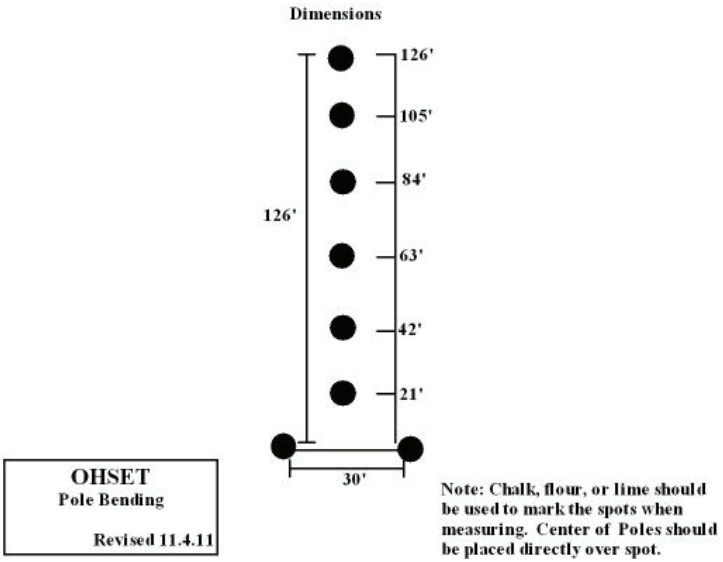
29.5.2.2.6. With two 3" red or blue stripes. First is 1foot from the top and the second 1 foot down from the first stripe. (striping is optional)

29.5.2.3. Plastic converter (bushing) to be used to secure pole in base either by a cotter-key or glue

29.5.2.4. Black rubber base, 14 pounds, 6" tall, 14" across;

29.5.2.5. Total weight, including base, pole and converter, approximately 16 pounds





29.5.3. Set Up

29.5.3.1. Six poles shall be set in a straight line, beginning from the middle of the start poles, spaced 21' apart with the start/finish line 21' from the first pole

29.5.4. Prescribed Pattern

29.5.4.1. The athlete crosses the start/finish line, races to pole #6 (last pole in the line)

29.5.4.2. Then bends back through the poles,

29.5.4.3. Completely turning pole #1 (closest to start poles)

29.5.4.4. Then bends back toward pole #6

29.5.4.5. Turns final pole and races straight across start/finish line

29.5.5. Diagram

30. Team Events

30.1. Eliminations

30.1.1. Teams will be eliminated if any horse waiting its turn crosses the start/finish line before the horse on course crosses the start/finish line completely. There may not be two horses on course at any time

30.1.2. Unsafe passing. Teams are encouraged to, but not required to pass (one coming off the course, one going on the course) on opposite ends of the start line. However, a pass deemed unsafe by the judge, may be cause for elimination

30.2 Team Event Uniformity

30.2.1. Athletes from a school participating in a team event must be of the same discipline, including shirt color, for uniformity.

30.2.2. COMBO Teams may compete in their respective school uniforms/colors with their unique athlete number.

30.3. Two Man Bi-Rangle

30.3.1. Penalties

30.3.1.1. Knocking over either pole is a 5 second penalty

30.3.2. Equipment

30.3.2.1. Four Poles with bases

30.3.2.1.1. Black rubber base, 14 pounds, 6" tall, 14" across; total weight, pole and converter, approximately 16 pounds

30.3.2.1.2. Poles to be white with two 3" red or blue stripes. First is 1foot from the top and the 2nd 1 foot down from the first stripe

30.3.3. Set Up

30.3.3.1. Two start poles set 30' apart

30.3.3.2. A center line will be identified at the start/finish line, approximately 10' long extending to the off course side and perpendicular to the start/finish line

30.3.3.3. Two poles set 30' apart, 120' down the arena from start/finish line

30.3.4. Prescribed Pattern

30.3.4.1. First athlete races down the course,

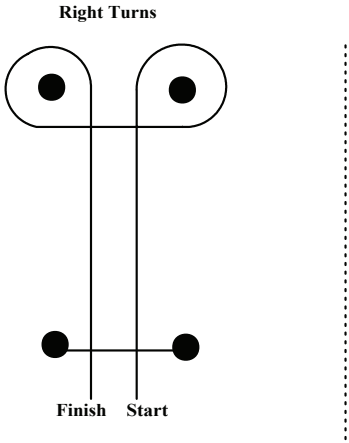
30.3.4.2. Turns either pole from the inside out,

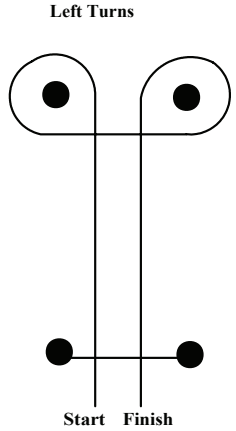
30.3.4.3. Then turns the opposite pole from the outside in (either 2 left or 2 right turns)

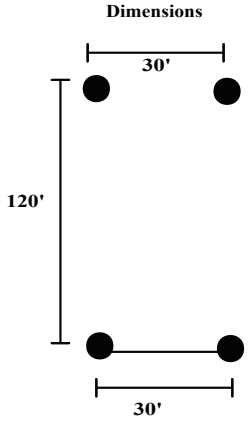
30.3.4.4. then races back across the start/finish line

30.3.4.5. Then the 2nd athlete runs the course,

30.3.4.5.1. They may turn either direction first – they do not need to turn the same direction as the first rider







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30.4. Team Canadian Flags

30.4.1. Four athlete team event

30.4.1.1. If a school has only 3 riding athletes (total on the school team, not just in flags), they may ride this event with three athletes, using four equine

30.4.1.2. The holder of the 4th horse should be a coach, advisor, or athlete in boots or hard-soled shoes

30.4.2. Penalties

30.4.2.1. Not carrying your flag over the start/finish line will result in an Elimination

30.4.2.2. The horse and athlete must remain on the same side of the start/finish line while mounting and dismounting, moving or landing on the opposite side before completely being mounted will result in a NO TIME

30.4.2.3. Not completely turning your flag (or the spot where it started) will result in a NO TIME

30.4.3. Equipment

30.4.3.1. Two start poles/cones

30.4.3.2. Four 42" staffs with small alternately colored flags (flags are required, color is optional)

30.4.3.2.1. Flag portion after being wrapped around staff will be eight inches by eight inches (8" x 8")

30.4.4. Set Up

30.4.4.1. Two start poles set 30' apart

30.4.4.2. A center line will be identified at the start/finish line, approximately 10' long extending to the off course side and perpendicular to the start/finish line.

30.4.4.3. Four flags shall be on the centerline of the course, with the first flag set 100' from start/finish line, and the remainder of the flags set at 2' intervals. This means the fourth flag will be 106' from the start/finish line

30.4.5. Prescribed Pattern

30.4.5.1. First athlete races down the course,

30.4.5.2. Turns the last flag (farthest from the start/finish line) either direction

30.4.5.3. Picking up the last flag while turning and races back across the start finish line carrying the flag

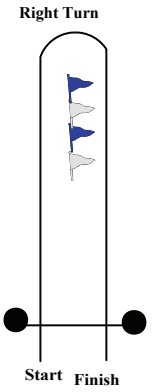
30.4.5.4. Remaining riders follow the same action, each taking the farthest flag in line, until all riders have completed the course

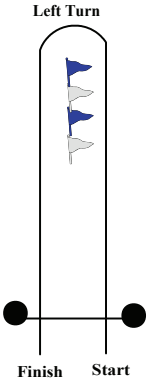
30.4.5.5. Any rider may turn either direction

30.4.5.6. Each rider must pick up their "assigned" flag in order

30.4.5.7. Any flag knocked over must be picked up by the corresponding rider during their turn

30.4.5.7.1. Riders may dismount and mount in order to pick up flags





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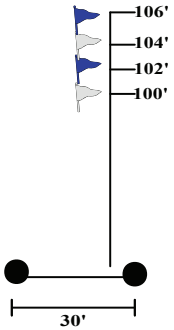

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