

Trail Trials

Resolution TT 1

Trail Trials, Sec. 2.0 General Rules, rule 2.3, new rule

WHEREAS, all Trail Trials are to be performed on a clearly marked trail, and;

WHEREAS, currently there is no rule to define category markings at obstacles, and;

WHEREAS, using the same color ribbon to mark the different categories causes confusion;

Therefore Be It *Resolved* that Trail Trials, Sec. 2.0 General Rules, rule 2.3 be amended to add:

At obstacles requiring novice, Intermediate and Advanced directions, the use of different colored ribbons indicating said direction will be used, (i.e. blue Advanced, Intermediate, red Novice).

Submitted by: Cindi Paine, Senior Member

Adopted as written _____ Adopted as amended _____ Rejected X

Resolution TT 2

Trail Trials, Sec. 5.0 Equipment and Attire, new rules

WHEREAS, our present rule 5.2 clothing, does not address attire for the State Championship Event Trail Trials (SCE), and;

WHEREAS, an upgraded standard should be in place for the purpose of the SCE, as it is the State Championship;

Therefore Be It Resolved That Trail Trials, Sec. 5.0 Equipment and Attire be amended to add:

5.3 Attire for the State Championship Event

5.3.1 T-Shirts and/or tank tops are not allowed, **while in competition.**

5.3.2 All shirts/blouses must be tucked in **while in competition.**

5.3.3 Shirts/blouses must have a collar & either long or short sleeves.

5.3.4 Long sleeves on all garments must be secured at the wrist **while in competition.**

5.3.5 Appropriate boots or riding shoes with a heel are worn **while in competition.** No slip on shoes or tennis shoes allowed.

Submitted By: Tami Sandberg, Senior Member

Adopted as written _____ Adopted as amended _____ Rejected X

Resolution TT 3
Trail Trials, Sec. 8.0 Region Responsibilities, new rule

WHEREAS, our current rules do not include any form of fundraising toward the State Championship Event Trail Trials (SCE), and;
WHEREAS, "there is a need to raise funds to insure that the SCE awards are paid for;
Therefore Be It *Resolved* that Trail Trials, Sec. 8.0 Region Responsibilities be amended to add:

8.9 "Area" Fundraisers for the State Championship Event (SCE). Each area (Northern, Central, Southern) shall hold at least one (1) SCE fundraiser in their area, prior to August 1st. This may be a Trail Trial, Poker Ride, Clinic, or any other event the Area chooses.

Submitted by: Tami Sandberg, Senior member

Adopted as written _____ Adopted as amended _____ Rejected X

Resolution TT 4
Trail Trials, Sec.12.0 Obstacle Skills, rule 12.2

WHEREAS, the exact moment that a cinch check for mounting is not defined;

Therefore Be It *Resolved* that Trail Trials, Sec.12.0 Obstacle Skills, rule 12.2 be amended as follows:

the first sentence to read:

The rider must check the cinch immediately before mounting.

Submitted by: Sue Edwards, Senior member

Adopted as written _____ Adopted as amended _____ Rejected X

Resolution TT 5
Trail Trials, Sec.12.0 Obstacle Skills, rule 12.11 Drag or Pull

WHEREAS, there is no clarification of the direction of travel a drag or pull is negotiated i.e a drag obstacle is performed with the horse and rider moving forward with the object behind and the pull is performed with the horse and rider moving backward with the object is in front;

Therefore Be It *Resolved* that Trail Trials, Sec.12.0 Obstacle Skills, rule 12.11 Drag or Pull be amended to read as follows:

Drag or Pull: Check cinch required before taking the rope or drag obstacle in hand. The rider may hold rope or dally. No tying hard and fast. The rider should demonstrate awareness by looking at both the drag obstacle and the direction they are going. The drag is a forward motion obstacle, the pull is a backward motion obstacle. The horse or rider should never become entangled in the rope. Horse to stand quietly during preparation then pull or drag an obstacle quietly and in control. Wrapping the rope around the rider's working hand is to be severely penalized. Excess rope should be held in the rein hand, never in the working hand.

Submitted by: Denise and Steve Frick, Family Members

Adopted as written X Adopted as amended _____ Rejected _____

Resolution TT 6
Trail Trials, Sec.12.0 Obstacle Skills, rule 12.11 Drag or Pull

WHEREAS, for safety of all competitors there should be a set amount of weight allowed to be pulled or dragged due to the broad base of competitors (i.e. English riders and young junior riders), and;

WHEREAS, for safety concerns, the ride management will endeavor to select obstacles that weigh approximately 25 pounds;

Therefore Be It *Resolved* that Trail Trials, Sec.12.0 Obstacle Skills, rule 12.11 Drag or Pull be amended to read as follows:

Drag or Pull: Check cinch required before taking the rope or drag obstacle in hand. The rider may hold rope or dally. No tying hard and fast. The rider should demonstrate awareness by looking at both the drag obstacle and the direction they are going. The horse or rider should never become entangled in the rope. Horse to stand quietly during preparation then pull or drag an obstacle quietly and in control. Wrapping the rope around the rider's working hand is to be severely penalized. Excess rope should be held in the rein hand, never in the working hand. For safety concerns, the ride management will endeavor to select obstacles that weigh approximately 25 pounds.

Submitted by: Cindi Paine, Senior Member

Adopted as written _____ Adopted as amended _____ Rejected X

Resolution TT 7
Trail Trials, Sec. 13.0 Obstacle Judging, sub-section 13.2 Awareness, rule 13.2.1

WHEREAS, a rider may be asked to tie a specific knot, and;

WHEREAS, there are no lists or diagrams specifying accepted knots in the Trail Trial Rulebook, and;

WHEREAS, a rider would have no previous knowledge of what would be an accepted knot, and;

WHEREAS, because many knots can be called by different names, and;

WHEREAS, it is confusing to the rider who may not have previous experience with different tying methods;

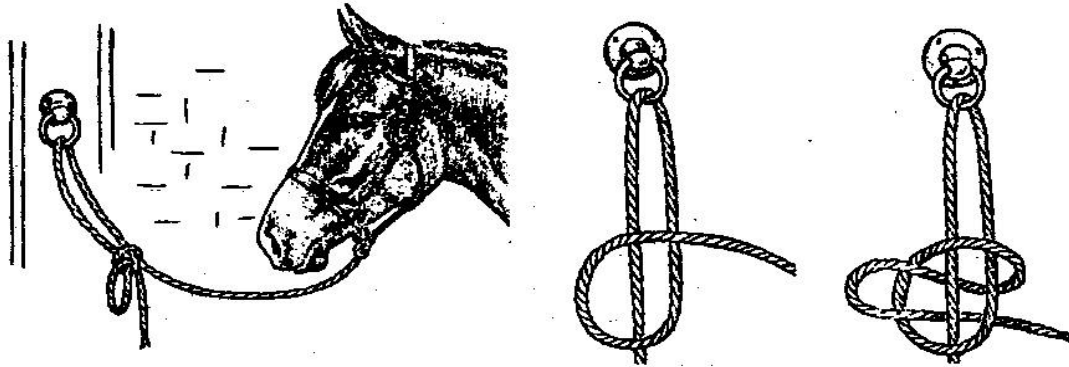
Therefore Be It *Resolved* that Trail Trials, Sec. 13.0 Obstacle Judging, sub-section 13.2 Awareness, rule 13.2.1 be amended as follows:

13.2.1 Rider awareness: The rider should be paying attention to the directions with the horse positioned at a safe distance from the judge. The rider should evaluate the obstacle for potential cautions before proceeding, and during the obstacle. If the rider is asked to answer a question (i.e., where are we on this map?), perform a specific skill (i.e., tie a specific knot, using only specified knots found in the State Trail Trials Rulebook), or lead their horse, and the rider does not perform the skill correctly, the judge may use this category to assess points. **Use only specified knots included in Appendix C & D.**

Submitted by: Denise and Steve Frick, Family Members

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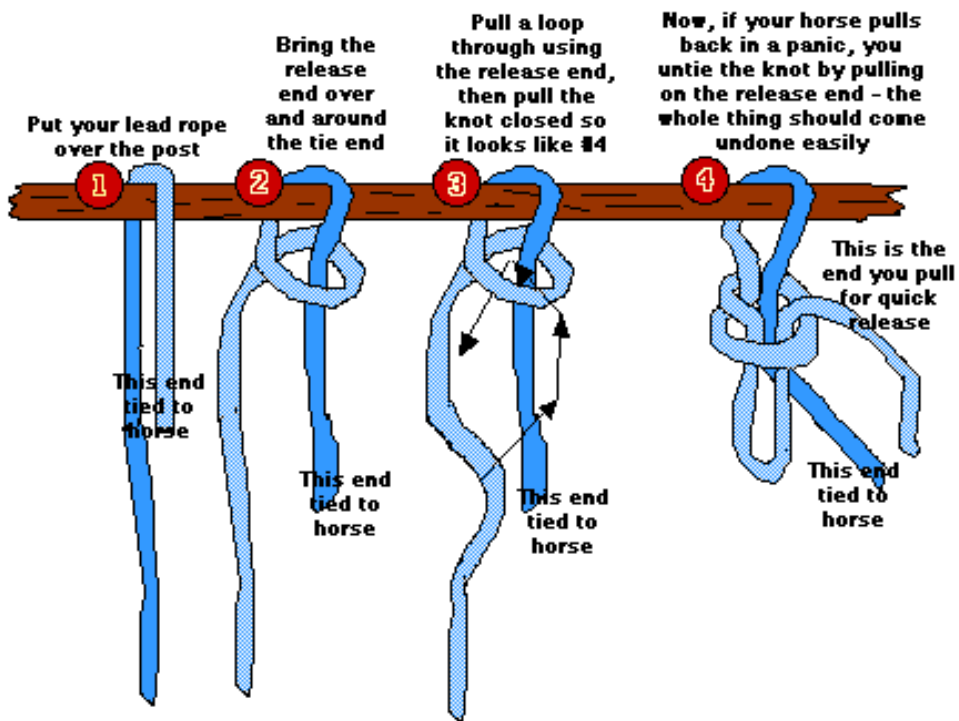
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A quick release knot.

Tying the Quick Release Knot

Practice tying this knot without your horse until you can do it correctly and release it just by pulling on the free end. This is the **ONLY** knot you should use to tie horses.



APPENDIX D

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Tying the Boline Knot

Tying of the bowline, imagine the end of the rope as a rabbit, and where the knot will begin on the standing part, a tree trunk. First a loop is made near the end of the rope, which will act as the rabbit's hole. Then the "rabbit" comes up the hole, goes round the tree right to left, then back down the hole.



The rabbit hole.



Out comes the rabbit,



runs around the tree,



and hops back into
hole

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