# TRAIL TRIALS 2012

Resolution TT 1 Trail Trials, Sec. 2.0 General Rules, rule 2.17
WHEREAS, riders must negotiate a single course for all competitors, and;
WHEREAS, the rider may know the area a take a alternate route then designated.
<b>Therefore be it </b> <i>Resolved</i> <b> that </b> Trail Trials, Sec. 2.0 General Rules, rule 2.17 be amended as follows:
Add:
2.17.1 Riders must ride the same horse for the entire designated course.
Submitted by: Trail Trial Committee
Committee: Adopted as written Adopted as amended Rejected Council Of Members: Adopted as written Adopted as amended Rejected
Resolution TT 2 Trail Trials, Sec. 2.0 General Rules, new rule
Therefore be it Resolved that Trail Trials, Sec. 2.0 General Rules be amended as follows:
Add new rule:
Poor sportsmanship/Behavioral misconduct WILL NOT be tolerated by any Trail Trial contestant or participant. Should any Trail Trial contestant attack, insult or verbally abuse in ANYWAY a CSHA Trail Trial judge or senior judge In regards to any score/judging dispute The Trail Trial contestant understands that he/she will be disqualified from that day's event. Should additional incidence occur in the same regardContestant will loose the right to participate in further CSHA Trail Trial events for that year and will also forfeit the right to participate in that year's State Championship event. Even IF The Trail Trial contestant has made 3 qualified rides for that year.
Submitted by: Charlotte Johnson-Individual CSHA Member Tracie Ahlberg-Family CSHA Member
Committee: Adopted as written Adopted as amended Rejected Council Of Members: Adopted as written Adopted as amended Rejected

#### **Resolution TT 3**

# Trail Trials, Section 4.0, Categories and Divisions

**WHEREAS**, there is no guideline/benchmark as to when a horse and rider combination is required to step up/advance to the text category at the region/sanctioned events;

**Therefore be it** *Resolved* **that** Trail Trials, Section 4.0, Categories and Divisions be amended as follows:

Add 4.1.1.4 Novices/Intermediates placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> on the same horse in three or more Region CSHA sanctioned Trail Trials for more than two years must step up/advance to the next category.

Submitted by: Laura Shultz, Family Member

Committee: Adopted as written \_\_\_ Adopted as amended \_\_\_ Rejected\_\_

Council Of Members: Adopted as written \_\_\_ Adopted as amended \_\_\_\_ Rejected \_\_\_

## **Resolution TT 4**

Trail Trials, Sec. 4.0 Categories and Divisions, rule 4.2

**WHEREAS**, it seems that more older riders are competing in Trail Trials, and;

WHEREAS, the 50 and Over division at recent rides have been guite large;

**Therefore be it** *Resolved* **that** Trail Trials, Sec. 4.0 Categories and Division, rule 4.2 be amended as follows:

change the 18-49 division to 18-59 and the 50 and Over division to 60 and Over.

Submitted by: Trail Trials Committee

Committee: Adopted as written \_\_\_ Adopted as amended \_\_\_ Rejected\_\_
Council Of Members: Adopted as written \_\_\_ Adopted as amended \_\_\_\_ Rejected \_\_\_

#### **Resolution TT 5**

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

**WHEREAS,** It is a common practice when riding western to use one hand on the reins (either hand is acceptable) when using a shank bit, which is a bit with shanks and requires a curb strap or legal curb chain. Currently we are allowing two (2) hands on the reins of a shank bit when riding western.;

Therefore be it *Resolved* that Trail Trials, Sec. 5.0 Equipment and Attire be amended to add:

When an "Advanced" rider is using a 'shank' bit only one hand will be allowed on the reins. Reins may not be switched from hand to hand when working an obstacle with the exception

being when 'opening or closing' a gate, or when negotiating an obstacle which would require the use of the rider's 'main' riding hand, such as in a 'pull or a drag'. Submitted by: Ruthanne Soeth, Senior member Committee: Adopted as written \_\_\_ Adopted as amended \_\_\_ Council Of Members: Adopted as written \_\_\_ Adopted as amended \_\_\_\_ Rejected **Resolution TT 6** Trail Trials, Sec. 7.0 Senior Judge Responsibilities **WHEREAS,** Trail Trials obstacle Judges are volunteers, and;. WHEREAS, These Judges judge every rider accordingly to the Trail Trials guidelines, and; WHEREAS, There is a procedure in place for protests in our rules under Section 10 Number 2; Therefore be it Resolved that Trail Trials, Sec. 7.0 Senior Judge Responsibilities be amended as follows: added after Section 7 Number 5. All contestants shall not in any manor argue with a Judge or devalue their integrity. Any contestant doing so will loose that ride counting toward SCE rides. Submitted by: Coral Kane, Senior Member

Rejected

# **Resolution TT 7**

Trail Trials, Sec. 7.0 Senior Judge Responsibilities, rule 7.6

Committee: Adopted as written \_\_\_ Adopted as amended \_\_\_

**WHEREAS**, it is the goal of the Trail Trials program to achieve consistency in judging and scoring, and;

Council Of Members: Adopted as written \_\_\_ Adopted as amended \_\_\_\_ Rejected

**WHEREAS**, there has been confusion and new and unusual interpretations of the rules governing cinch check requirements;

**Therefore Be It** *Resolved* **that** Trail Trials, Sec. 7.0 Senior Judge Responsibilities, rule 7.6 be amended as follows:

add 7.6.4 and 7.6.5 as follows;

- **7.6** The Senior Judge shall evaluate the course, obstacle directions and obstacles as to the following:
  - **7.6.1** The evaluation of the course shall endeavor to allow adequate space for multiple horses waiting to negotiate the obstacle.

- **7.6.2** The evaluation of the obstacles will include appraising the terrain, especially as it pertains to the skills of the Novice participant.
- **7.6.3** Placement of the Obstacles Judge's belongings so that they do not become part of the obstacle or impact the way of going of the participant, unless so intended.
- 7.6.4 The evaluation of the obstacle instructions as to allow the use of the word "UPHILL" only for those obstacles that are listed in SEC. 12.0 Obstacle Skills as having a cinch check requirement.
- 7.6.5 The evaluation of the obstacle and obstacle instructions with the authority and duty to change the obstacle instructions and/or obstacle if such obstacle or obstacle instructions are too vague, lengthy, or difficult to understand.

Submitted by: Dean Fisher Senior Member
Committee: Adopted as written Adopted as amended Rejected Council Of Members: Adopted as written Adopted as amended Rejected
Resolution TT 8 Trail Trials, Sec. 12.0 Obstacle Skills, rule 12.17
WHEREAS, under obstacle skills 12.17 Tailing is allowed as an advanced obstacle only, and;
WHEREAS, tailing requires the participant to walk/follow/stand directly behind or slightly to the side of the rear legs of their animal while proceeding uphill, and;
<b>WHEREAS</b> , tailing places a participants head and upper torso in the direct area to be kicked by their animal if the animal was to slip, lose footing, or spook while proceeding up hill, and;
WHEREAS, tailing has caused injury to past riders, and;
WHEREAS, tailing violates all common safety practices of equestrian safety, and;
WHEREAS, tailing does pose a potential for a dangerous situation;
<b>Therefore Be It </b> <i>Resolved</i> <b> that </b> Trail Trials, Sec. 12.0 Obstacle Skills, rule 12.17 be amended as follows:
Tailing is no longer allowed.
Submitted by: Trisha Clark – Family Member
Committee: Adopted as written Adopted as amended Rejected Council Of Members: Adopted as written Adopted as amended Rejected

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Trail Trials, Sec. 12.0 Obstacle Skills, rule 12.17

WHEREAS, Tailing is a very strenuous obstacle, and;

**WHEREAS**, it is very difficult for the older members to participate when asked to tail their horse;

**Therefore Be It** *Resolved* **that** Trail Trials, Sec. 12.0 Obstacle Skills, rule 12.17 be amended as follows:

Tailing will not be used for the advanced riders in the Senior division.

Submitted by: Joyce Pickering, Senior member

Committee: Adopted as written \_\_\_ Adopted as amended \_\_\_ Rejected\_\_ Council Of Members: Adopted as written \_\_\_ Adopted as amended \_\_\_\_ Rejected \_\_\_

## **Resolution TT 10**

Trail Trials, Sec. 13.0 Obstacle Judging – Score Sheet Standards, rule 13.1 Cinch Check

**WHEREAS**, riders have been confused of when to perform the act, and;

**Whereas**, it reads Only one cinch check per obstacle shall be required;

**Therefore be it** *Resolved* **that** Trail Trials, Sec. 13.0 Obstacle Judging – 13.1 Cinch Check be amended as follows:

13.1 Cinch Check \*\*Only one cinch check per obstacle shall be required <u>as it pertains to the cinch check requirements in the rules.</u>

Submitted by: Tami Sandberg, Senior Member

Committee: Adopted as written \_\_\_ Adopted as amended \_\_\_ Rejected\_\_
Council Of Members: Adopted as written \_\_\_ Adopted as amended \_\_\_\_ Rejected \_\_\_

## **Resolution TT 11**

Trail Trials, Sec. 13.0 Obstacle Judging – Score Sheet Standards, rule 13.4

WHEREAS, riders have control of more than just their horse in an obstacle, and;

**WHEREAS**, the rider control scoring section can be expanding to include items handled by the rider;

**Therefore be it** *Resolved* **that** Trail Trials, Sec. 13.0 Obstacle Judging – Score Sheet Standards, rule 13.4 be amended as follows:

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13.4.1 While keeping control of the horse riders must also maintain control of items needed to complete the obstacle such as, but not limited to, Ropes, Buckets, flags, etc.
Submitted by: Sue Edwards, Senior Member
Committee: Adopted as written Adopted as amended Rejected Council Of Members: Adopted as written Adopted as amended Rejected
Resolution TT 12 Trail Trials, Sec. 14.0 Scoring, new rule
<b>WHEREAS,</b> assistants, "ring stewards", in the English/Western programs are to help the judge maintain control of the ring but under no circumstances are to assist in the judging process, and;
<b>WHEREAS</b> , clerks in the Drill Team program are to assist the judge in marking the score sheets during the drill but do not participate in the judging process, and;
<b>WHEREAS,</b> assistants, "helpers", may be assigned to individual obstacle judges in the Trail Trials program, their role, however, is to maintain the integrity of the obstacle or may read instructions to competitors, and;
WHEREAS, each obstacle is judged by one assigned obstacle judge, and;
WHEREAS, assistants, "helpers", are not obstacle judges;
Therefore Be It Resolved that Trail Trials, Sec. 14.0 Scoring be amended to add:
14.1.1 Obstacle assistants or helpers will not participate in the judging or scoring of the obstacles.
Submitted by: Cindi Paine, Senior Member
Committee: Adopted as written Adopted as amended Rejected Council Of Members: Adopted as written Adopted as amended Rejected