Page 6, Order of Events

*Rule Change – Deletion*

Delete heading and paragraph ‘ORDER OF EVENTS The order of the event may be determined by the event organisers. Generally, the Running, Swimming and Shooting Phases will be conducted on the first day of the competition and the Riding Phase on the second day of competition.’

Reasoning: We are trying to offer a more flexible format for event organisers.

Page 8, Riding Phase, Scoring, final line of table

*Rule Change – Amendment*

Was ‘Elimination for any reason in the Riding Phase – 400 penalties’
Now ‘Elimination for any reason in the Riding Phase – Score of zero’

Reasoning: To make scoring uniform through all phases (elimination in the run, swim or shoot phase all result in a score of zero) and to maintain emphasis on the importance of the riding phase. Page 18 of the rule currently specifies ‘If eliminated from a phase, the competitor will receive zero for that phase’ so this change also removes inconsistencies in the rule book.

Page 9, Riding Phase, Dress

*Rule Change - Addition*

‘Watches and timing devices are not permitted to be worn in the riding phase (all formats)’

Reasoning - To make the dress required the same regardless of the style of riding phase and to avoid excessive speed as the gate and slip rail make using cross country minute markers irrelevant.

Page 10 Running Phase, General, paragraph two end of first sentence

*Rule Change - Addition*

‘sO that the next marker is visible from the previous marker’

Reasoning: given it has specified the course should not require navigation this ensures this is the case.

Page 11 Running Phase, Fault Table, first row

*Rule Change – Amendment*

Was ‘Acting as a pacemaker or provide instructions or information – 30 penalties’
Now ‘Acting as a pacemaker or provide instructions or information - Elimination (score of zero)’

Reasoning: To align with National Rules which give a score of zero for unauthorised assistance and to equalise the penalty with the other three phases where unauthorised assistance results in elimination.

Page 11 Running Phase, Fault Table, third row

*Rule Change – Deletion*

‘and fail to return to the start line’

Reasoning: calling the runner back to the start line can be inconsistent between starters and is stressful to the runner. Currently there are two forms of penalty for a false start, only having one form of penalty i.e. 30 penalties is simpler, clearer and equal for all runners.
Page 11 Running Phase, Dress, line 7

*Rule Change - Deletion*

Delete ‘not’ so that it now reads ‘Watches, timing devices are allowed’.

Reasoning: National Rules allow watches to be worn for running.

Page 11 Running Phase, Start

*Rule Change – Amendment*

Was ‘If a competitor breaks the start they will be recalled by the starters and be required to recross the start line. The clock will keep running and the penalty will be the extra time taken to retrace their steps. If a competitor fails to return to recross the start a penalty of 30 seconds will be added to their run time.’

Now ‘A false start will incur 30 penalties’.

Reasoning: given at point 6.

Page 14 Shooting Phase, General, third paragraph, second sentence

*Rule Change – Amendment*

Was ‘held in both hands’

Now ‘held in one or both hands’

Reasoning: some sub-junior (10-12yrs) may choose to shoot with one hand, there is no safety aspect to using either one or both hands to hold their pistol.

Page 14 Shooting Phase, General, third paragraph, third last line

Rule Change – Amendment

Was ‘non-firing hand will’

Now ‘non-firing hand may’

Reasoning: to conform with previous change.

Page 14 Shooting Phase, Dress: Replace paragraph one

*Rule Change – Amendment*

Was ‘Competitors will be neatly dressed in the rally shirt of their home club. Enclosed shoes are compulsory. Competitors are not allowed to wear items of clothing that are military in nature.’

Now ‘Competitors will be neatly dressed in a long or short sleeved shirt in club colours. Enclosed shoes (that do not cover the ankle bone) are compulsory.’

Reasoning: To clarify short sleeved club shirts are acceptable. Footwear to align with National Rules and competitive shooting rules. Specifying ‘not military’ is unnecessary and open to interpretation.

Page 15 Shooting Phase, Dress

*Rule Change – Addition*

‘Silent timing devices are allowed.’

Reasoning: Many competitors wish to time their shots rather than guessing or relying on the range officer or shooting steward to advise them of their time remaining. Aligns with National Rules.
Page 15 Shooting Phase, Method, line 2

Rule Change – Addition

Insert after ‘5 shots.’ ‘The two minute time limit begins when the firing point assistant says, “Fire at will”.

Reasoning: to align with National Rules and competition shooting rules and so that competitors know what to expect.

Page 15 Shooting Phase, Method, line 3

Rule Change – Amendment

Was ‘A maximum of 1100 points can be achieved’
Now ‘A maximum of 1090 points can be achieved’
Reasoning: 1090 is the maximum that the target can score.

Page 15 Shooting Phase, Equipment

Rule Change - Amendment

Was ‘Competitors may provide their own laser pistols or the organisers must locate and provide for the event. Laser pistols will go into a pool of pistols for the event and competitors may not necessarily shoot with their own pistol (if they have one) at the event. This will apply for most events (including State Championships) as clubs are unlikely to have a set of pistols and targets for competitions. This rule will be reviewed periodically.

All pistols must be checked as to the calibre and dimensions by the Section Steward prior to the commencement of the event.’

Now ‘The organisers must provide laser pistols for use at the event. Competitors may also provide and use their own laser pistol and these must be inspected prior to use to conform to the following criteria:

1. UIPM endorsed laser pistol (These are currently identified by two brands; ECO Aims and Pentashot).
2. No modifications to standard issue.

Reasoning: This is the criteria as advised by Murray Bow and as applied at National competition. Information on the box dimensions the pistol must fit in are already included in the rules (page 16).

Page 17 Shooting Phase, Scoring: Line two

Rule Change – Amendment

Was ‘maximum of 11’
Now ‘maximum of 10.9’
Reasoning: target unable to score 11.

Page 20 Medical, second sentence

Rule Change – deletion

Delete the word ‘emergency’

Reasoning: To clarify that an on-site ambulance is not required for the non-riding phases as long as first aid is available and the course is accessible.
Page 21 Rules Applicable to the State Championships, Ages and Classes table

**Rule Change – Amendment**

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Reasoning: provides sub-junior classes at the jumping heights required for National Championships.

Page 21 Last Table

**Rule Change - Amendment**

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Reasoning: typing correction.

Page 22 Qualifications:

 Rule Change – Amendment

Was
The horse/rider combination must have successfully completed at least one Pony Club or EA competition in any of Tetrathlon, Showjumping, Cross-country, Hunter Trials or Hickstead/Derby at the height or higher than the Tetrathlon class in which they enter.

Now
The horse/rider combination must have successfully completed at least one Official competition in any of round of cross-country, Hunter Trial or Hickstead/Derby at the height or higher than the Tetrathlon class in which they enter.

The exception being a competitor in the 70cm class may use a 65cm cross country/hunter trials class in a competition. Training rounds and unofficial competitions are not eligible as qualifers for State Championships.

Reasoning: There is a safety issue with horse and rider combinations qualified on a show jumping course attempting cross country fixed obstacles and water complexes. Allowance to use 65cm cross country as this is the nearest height available.

Page 23 Team Managers

Rule Change – Amendment

Was ‘Team managers must be present with all team members at the pre-event (or any other) briefing and the start of each phase of the event including gear checking for the Riding Phase.
Now ‘Team managers must be present at the pre-event briefing and at the gear checking of the riding phase’

Reasoning: With helper duties applied to team managers and seeded heats at swimming it is no longer possible for the team manager to present to all phases with the team.
Page 24 Appendix 1 - 3

Rule Change – Addition

Appendix 1: Optional Variation to the Swim/Run Distance

All phases will be run under the current Tetrathlon Rules with the following distance variations being applied to classes catering for riders aged 13 years and older.

Running Phase
An optimum score of 1100 points for achieving the optimum running time. For each second above or below the optimum time penalties will be added or removed from the optimum score, as per the table below

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Swimming Phase

Optimum swimming times earning 1,100 points. A penalty of 4.0 points per whole second is deducted for each second over the optimum time. A bonus of 4.0 points is added for each whole second under the optimum time.

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Please note: classes using modified swim/run distances for ages 13 years and older will not be eligible for inclusion in the Pony Club WA Leaderboard Series.

This must be clearly stated on all entry packs.

Appendix 2: Optional Variation to the Running Phase for Club Events

1500m Run

DISTANCE
The distance can be 1,500 metres for all competitors.

SCORING
An optimum score of 1100 points is awarded for running the 1500m course in 6 minutes. For each second above or below the optimum time 4 points are added or subtracted from the score.

All other rules are as listed under Running Phase rules.
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Reasoning: At regional club events, running two different distances for 12 and under versus 13 and over creates too many classes with not enough competitors in each. Feedback from competitors, particularly older ones, has given the longer 2 km distance as being a major reason for no longer attending club events. The younger competitors seem to have no problem with the 1500 metre distance.

Appendix 3: Optional Variation to the Swimming Phase for Club Events

Four Minute Swim

GENERAL

Competitors will score points according to the distance they have swum in 4 minutes. They may use whatever style they wish and may change it during the swim.

A competitor may start the swim already in the water provided they are in contact with the end of the pool by at least one hand or foot.

The time is taken from the start signal to the signal at the end of 4 minutes. A hooter or gun should be used as this signal. The starter also acts as timekeeper and will give two loud whistles when three and a half minutes has elapsed to notify the lane judges that the heat will end in thirty seconds.

One lane judge is allocated per swimmer. Once the three and half minute whistle has gone the lane judge walks on the side of the pool to follow the progress of the swimmer in the water and records the point at which the final hooter sounds.

The distance swum is measured at the point reached by the swimmer’s head when four minutes has elapsed.

If a competitor is seen to be walking on the bottom of the pool, the swimming steward following a report by the lane judge is empowered to deduct from the distance covered by that competitor an amount equal to the distance walked.

There is nothing to prevent a competitor who, for any reason, leaves the pool, re-entering and continuing the swim provided it is within the time and starts again from the point at which they left off.

SCORING

A competitor will score 4 points for every metre swum within the 4 minutes allowed.

All other rules are as listed under Swimming Phase rules.

Reasoning: A set distance swim at club events has put off potential or past competitors who are not confident of making the distance or feel they will embarrass themselves by being so far behind the competition. A four minute swim option means all competitors stop at the same time regardless of swimming ability. By making the swim more achievable by all competitors, clubs can apply for funding grants to support the event and meet the grant criteria of inclusivity.