2. **Cardiac Recovery Indexing:**
   a. Baseline pulse of 64 or below: return pulse should meet baseline, allow up to 4 beats higher before points are deducted. Deduct 1 point for every two beats over allowed return to baseline.
   b. Baseline pulse of over 64: a full return to, or below baseline measurement is required. Deduct 1 point for each two beats over allowed return to baseline, maximum of 5 points to be deducted from this section.
   c. Any equine whose pulse is over 68 either at the baseline or the recovery should be brought to the attention of the Veterinarian. Any equine whose pulse does not recover to the baseline requirement of 64 within 30 minutes of crossing the finish line will be disqualified after verification by the Veterinarian.