CTR Ride/Drive Manager “Need to Know “ Information List

- **Helmets** - At any sanctioned SEDRA Competitive Trail Ride event, it is mandatory for all riders, drivers and their passengers to wear an approved ASTM/SEI certified equestrian helmet while mounted or in the driving vehicle (2007 Rule).

- **Insurance** - Competitive Trail Introductory Distance Rides (IDR) of less than 25 miles with non-SEDRA member participants and educational clinics held in conjunction with a SEDRA sanctioned ride are covered by SEDRA's insurance, only if noted on your application at the time of sanctioning (2007 Rule).
  - To ensure coverage for non-SEDRA members participating in a SEDRA Sanctioned Competitive Trail Ride, a day member fee of $5.00 must be collected.
  - To ensure coverage for non-SEDRA members participating in an IDR and/or clinic, a day member fee of $1.00 per rider or participant must be collected.
  - Ride Manager must provide SEDRA with the names and addresses of all day members to the SEDRA Membership/Awards Secretary along with your ride results.

- **Pre-Ride Management Meeting** must take place prior to the ride.
  - Ride Veterinarian, Trail judge and Ride Steward must attend this meeting along with key management.
  - Any new SEDRA rules or recent rule changes must be reviewed at this meeting.

- **Mandatory Hold of at least 10 minutes (Add on)** - Mandatory 10-minute hold will be when the equine is held due to poor recovery. If equine does not meet set parameters criteria after presented when ready, it will be held for 10 minutes. At the end of that 10 minutes if the equine meets parameters criteria, it may continue. There is no point penalty for the FIRST 10-minute hold, although the rider/driver is on his OWN RIDE TIME. If, at the end of the FIRST 10-minute hold, the equine does not meet parameters due to poor recovery, the equine will be held for a MANDATORY SECOND 10 minute hold. This second 10 minute hold is a free hold in which the 10 minutes is added to the individual’s finishing time, BUT A THREE (3) POINT TIME PENALTY IS IMPOSED. After the SECOND 10-minute hold, the judge OR DESIGNATED QUALIFIED PR PERSON will take P&Rs and examine the equine for stress and fatigue. If the equine does not recover after a total of 2 MANDATORY 10 Minute holds, the equine and rider/driver will be disqualified at that time, and may be transported back to ride camp at the discretion of judges, ride management, or Head of P&R Teams.

- **Substitute Rider** - In case of injury or illness to entered rider, a substitute rider may complete the ride for mileage only, if the horse successfully meets all ride parameters. Both original and substitute riders must be current SEDRA members for the horse to receive mileage credit. Only the horse is eligible for mileage credit (2007 Rule).

- **Judging Guidelines** - must be reviewed by the Vet/Trail Judges prior to the initial exam process. As a contracted SEDRA judge, all judges agree to comply with SEDRA rules, guidelines and procedures. It is strongly recommended to streamlining the final Vetting out process.

- **Final Vetting Out Process** — must start one and a half hours after the first horse finishes. The 1-1/2 hour time for the start of the final exam may be shortened to one hour in extreme circumstances. This change must be approved by the Ride Steward, and announced to each rider no later than their final CRI/metabolic exam (2007 Rule).

- **Trail Judge** — If the Trail Judge is a veterinarian, then he/she may also score metabolics on his/her own score sheets (2007 Rule).
• **Junior Riders** — A junior, under the age of 16, is to be accompanied on the trail at all times by a designated sponsor. This sponsor must be identified on the ride application and the sponsor’s signature is required (2002 Rule).

• **Mileage Only Division** - At the discretion of Ride Management, there may be a Mileage Only Division. In this division, riders will have the option to complete the ride for mileage only.

• **Eligibility to Compete of Family members of any Judge** - A family member of any Judge contracted in the event may compete in the "Mileage Only" Division (provided MO is being offered by Ride Management). Horse(s) owned by the contracted Judge(s) or horse(s) that any contracted judge may have a "financial interest in" can only participate in the "Mileage Only Division" (2007 Rule)

• **Eligibility to Compete of Ride Management** - Ride Management, including Ride Steward, will be allowed to enter their horse(s) or family members in the ride and receive full point and mileage.

• **Ride Time May be Lengthened** - Ride time may be lengthened at the discretion of ride management. Participants must be notified uniformly. This means that each rider must be informed at the same point in the ride. It can be at a given P&R stop or at a certain point on trail. Each rider must be informed.

• **Emergency Contact Information** - Be sure to offer emergency contact information for several members of the ride management team, to your riders that are competing in case of an emergency on the trail.

• **Provide Option to Transport Water & Feed to Hold** - Please try to have this option available. Riders may have water or feed for mounts transported for them on the trail which Ride Management may carry on a predestinated vehicle, only if Ride Management feels there are enough volunteers so as not to interfere with the P&R hold. If management feels that this is not feasible, no equipment, feed, etc. may be used during the competition except that which is carried by the competing team of equine and rider (2006 Rule).

• **SEDRA Ride Stewards** - Ride Stewards are your SEDRA resource for any questions or issues regarding SEDRA rules. Consult with them in any ride management decisions made at your ride, as they officially represent SEDRA.

• **Volunteers** - Remember your volunteers, have them sign an insurance waiver and get the name and address of each helping hand!

• **RIDE RESULTS** - Email or send your ride results and volunteer list, day member (non-member) list and day member fees to Carol Thompson, carolythompson@msn.com or PO Box 302, Mims, FL 32754

**Have fun and have a great ride!**

**Thank you for supporting distance riding as a Ride Manager!**