



UIPM

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de Pentathlon Moderne

Clarifications 2017/1

Technical Newsletter

Dear Member Federations, Coaches and Athletes

In addition to new UIPM competition Rules, we would like to give clarification and inform about amendments on certain topics and respective rules, which came up for discussion recently. All clarifications and amendments have been discussed and decided during recent Technical Committee meeting.



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Riding ability of athletes

A review and discussion of MP riding situation took place, as regularly the outcome and perception of the riding phase is non-satisfying. The main concerns are:

- Riding ability of athletes often not good enough
- Public perception of MP Riding regarding animal welfare

National Federations and coaches are reminded to take their responsibility serious. It is necessary to invest sufficiently in athletes riding education and training. Further it is important that nations only have athletes competing at higher level competitions with the necessary riding ability and not to put their athletes at risk at any point.

Further measurements from UIPM/ TC have been introduced and will be enforced:

- Upload of riding certificate mandatory if applying for UIPM license incl. riding
- To stop athletes with low riding ability and dangerous riding (Rule 4.4.8)
- To stop athletes, violate animal welfare conduct (Rule 4.4.1)
- To report such athletes and NFs
- To convince/ "enforce" respective NFs to invest in riding

If reported athletes do not show improvement and/ or will be reported again, UIPM/ TC might suspend their riding permission until requalified.

UIPM TD / Riding judge will already assess athletes during warm up.

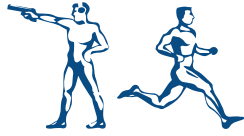
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Change of horse

(Rules 4.3.10, 4.3.13, 4.3.16).

The UIPM 2017 Competition Rules include several amendments regarding horse presentation and the possibility to change a horse.

The public horse presentation is no longer part of the competition, but in any case, the athlete/ coach have the right to have the horse trotted before mounting. **However, once having mounted, no change is permitted, except a horse proves to be lame when under the weight of the pentathlete just having mounted and just begun warm up. In this case UIPM TD, after consultation with Veterinarian, can authorise change.**



3 **Starting the running leg before the shooting time has expired without having successfully completed the shooting series ("5 green lights") will be penalised as following**

(Rule 5.6.1 v) viii),
(and 5.6.3):

- 4 green lights → **Elimination** (amendment to current rule, UIPM TC decision)
- 3 (or less) green lights → **Disqualification** (considered as blatant attempt to start too early)

4 **Not touching the shooting table between each shot.**

(Rule 5.6.1 v) viii)

- i. A warning must be issued
- ii. 10 seconds penalty for each occasion and subsequently

Note: The respective judge and range officer need to have approval from UIPM TD in range before applying such penalty.

5 **Changing assigned shooting position.**

(Rule 5.4.4 vii)

Reserve targets can be used, but the athlete needs permission from the range officer/ UIPM TD.

6 **Running clothing.**

(Rule 5.7.i)

A pentathlete must wear athletic clothing. In category A competitions, pentathletes from the same country must wear matching uniform.

7 **Pistol/equipment.**

(Rule 5.7.i)

Athletes are reminded to have not only a laser pistol of good quality, but a pistol in good condition and well serviced/ updated (laser power, beam size and intensity profile) – in close contact with providers – and according to current rules. These parameters remain a prerequisite for compatibility and issue-free functioning with any targets.

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Baron Pierre de Coubertin

"The Modern Pentathlon event would test a man's moral qualities as much as his physical resources and skills, producing thereby the ideal, complete athlete."

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