

## CENTRAL OHIO DRAFT PONY PULLING CLUB, LLC RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Rules of entry at all CODPPC sponsored pulls shall be as follows \$ 5.00 per entry per pull: \$20.00 for membership and \$10.00 for insurance per year.
2. All drivers must be a member to drive. Including helper on lines.
3. All ponies must have CODPPC cards at time of pull. Classification of ponies will be light/small 52" and under, heavy/large 56" and under.
4. Only CODPPC cards will be honored. If a pony is sold a new card will be made out to the new owner. Ponies do not have to be remeasured. Any person who tries to violate this rule in any way will, along with the pony involved, be barred from any association event for a period of one year from the time of infraction.
5. Anyone will be allowed to pull or pass first load. When pulling together 56" class can pass 2nd load.
6. All teams must cross the first official load to receive payback.
7. Ponies can only pull in one class per event. No split teams.
8. No open bridles permitted.
9. CODPPC reserves the right to test any pony at any time. If ponies are tested, all monies will be held and monies will not be paid until negative tests are back.

### HITCHING AND COURT

10. The distance between the boundary lines shall be 15 feet. Teams must stay inside stay inside the boundary or pull will be disqualified. Any pony that steps on or over the rope loses the pull even though the driver says whoa. (NO EXCEPTIONS).
11. The distance for each pull will be 14 feet. Distances less than 14 feet will be used to determine placings. The chain will be fastened to the center of the rear of the sled. Second or third best distance will count in case of a tie.
12. There will be no heading or flagging of ponies on first or third pulls. Ponies can be headed on the second pull if they are already hooked on the sled.
13. The first and second pulls shall be in the direction indicated by the judges. The third pull can be taken in either direction, providing there is room in the court. If the driver unhitches after the first pull it indicates he is passing the second pull.
14. The direction of the sled will not change after adding weight.
15. Any forward movement of the sled after the driver gives the command to pull will be counted as a pull, and the measurement recorded. A whistle signal will be given when a team has made the distance or when the forward motion of the sled stops. If a driver or helper breaks a rule or regulation while a pull is in progress, a whistle signal will be given and the pull will be disqualified.
16. If a team has a break down or gets tangled up on the first or third pull, they must unhitch, go outside the boundaries (ropes) and straighten things out. They will come back in at the end of the round.
17. There must be a first place winner determined by pulling the sled. A pull can't end with all final teams passing.

### DRIVERS INFORMATION

18. All teams must be properly driven and handled. No pony shall be mistreated in any way. No profane language shall be permitted. The enforcement of this rule shall be up to the judges of the event and their decisions will be final. Violation of this rule may disqualify the driver and team from the contest.
19. Three tries to get hitched to the sled will be counted as a pull.
20. Drivers will be allowed two helpers to hitch, but the helpers will stay clear of the ponies and sled after the command to pull is given.
21. Drivers will be allowed a helper on the lines.
22. Each team will have only one driver, except in case of injury or illness.
23. Each team will have one minute after he hitches to the sled to get it in motion. He will have one minute rest between first and second pull.
24. Drivers, when at all possible, shall keep their teams in full view of the judges. The judges shall use

their own judgement in enforcing this regulation. They must be ready to pull in their regular order. Unnecessary delay in getting to the sled can result in the judges disqualifying that team.

25. If a team runs away at an event, free from driver and helpers, the team is sent to the trailer and disqualified.

26. All decisions of the judge are final. Any unreasonable argument with any judge can result in disqualification of the team and driver from the event.

#### MEASURING

27. Ponies will not be allowed to be measured with the harness or collar on.

28. All ponies that are five years old (full mouth) or older shall be issued a CODPPC lifetime measuring card. Any pony under five will be issued a CODPPC temporary measuring card.

A. 4'x 8' sheet of ply wood will be used for measuring.

B. Allowance for shoes will be from the ground up.

C. 5 minute set up time or less, once stick is set 30 seconds to set stick.

D. You will have two chances at each event per class to measure a pony.

E. Stick set at where mane begins and goes straight down.

F. No excessive leaning of pony by discretion of measuring committee.

G. All 4 heels must touch measuring board.

H. Only measure man can hold measuring stick.

I. All ponies measure in same direction at each event.

J. No Trick Shoes Must have Heel and Toe Cork Discretion of Board

I. Can Measure Bare foot.