

USNETO TD ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY

USNETO TD Requirements

- TD must have completed the International Judges training course within the prior 2 years.
- TD must have shown the ability to understand all aspects of event ground setup, i.e. parking, competitor movement, water, and facilities.
- TD needs full understanding of orienteering, checkpoint placement, judges access, and technical appropriateness for designated rider level.
- TD needs to have knowledge and experience in creating a mapped route for an event.
- TD needs full understanding of COP and PTV course layout, including distance, obstacle dimensions, and appropriate combinations. TD must also understand safe obstacle construction.
- TD must complete an "apprenticeship" / gain experience hosting an official TREC-USA competition with assistance from an approved TD.

USNETO TD Roles and Responsibilities

- A TD approves the technical and administrative arrangements for the conduct of the event, the inspections of horses (coggins), for the accommodation of horses and athletes, and for the stewarding of the event.
- Prior to the competition, the TD should visit the site and establish a good working relationship with the organizer, the course designer and the course builders.
- TD to verify Organizer has list with full contact details including after hours contact numbers for local Equine Veterinarians. TD to ensure all competitors are given these numbers upon entry.
- TD must participate in one in depth event review and note any needed changes prior to the event.
- TD must be onsite during the event and act as Ground Jury President.

- The TD inspects the COP and PTV courses, measures the dimensions of the jumps and the distances between obstacles and overall course length.
- The TD must review the mapped route for the POR, either on horseback or other method to check the accuracy of map as well as the appropriateness for the designated rider level.
- The TD should look at the logistics to make sure, for example, that horses can get from stabling to the competition areas for all three phases without being dangerous to competitors or spectators. They review the schedule for apparent conflicts.
- At the event, the TD briefs the volunteers on their responsibilities, and briefs all judges before they head out to their assigned POR checkpoints, COP stations, or PTV obstacles.
- In the event of multiple issues with same checkpoint or obstacle the TD should talk to the judge at that station and ask what happened and try to develop a full understanding issues involved. Then the TD should send report to USNETO on likely cause and best way to resolve the issue.
- If there's a serious injury TD must talk to Judges and others onsite and make a report on the accident and submit to USNETO within 24 hours.
- TD must be familiar with forms, provided by USNETO, needed to report injury or loss to Insurance provider in case of an incident.
- The TD may also field inquiries from competitors, mainly regarding PTV faults or checkpoint questions where the rider doesn't agree with the obstacle or checkpoint judge.
- If due to unforeseen last minute issues the TD is responsible to assign an appropriate person to fill this role.