

Modern Pentathlon Winter 2010 Open Qualifying Competition

January 1-2, 2010
Palm Springs/Rancho Mirage, CA

Invitation and registration information

Hosted by

West Coast Pentathlon

Supporting amateur athletes in Modern Pentathlon



and

Equestrian Centers International



Welcome!

We are pleased to host 2010's first qualifying modern pentathlon competition. This event presents pentathletes' first opportunity to earn points to qualify for World Cups and World Championships.

SCHEDULE (tentative)

January 1

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Registration and check in at hotel
2 to 4 p.m.	Jury ride at ECI
5 to 7 p.m.	Registration/Weapons check at hotel ballroom
7 to 8 p.m.	Technical meeting (Please note that all registration and weapons check must be completed before the technical meeting.)
8 to 8:30 p.m.	Volunteer info session

January 2

6 a.m.	Breakfast at hotel
6:30 a.m.	Warmup at pool
7 to 8:30 a.m.	Swim
9 a.m. to noon	Fencing – TBD (Lunch will be provided at fencing venue.)
12:30 to 2 p.m.	Run/shoot at ECI
2 to 4 p.m.	Ride at ECI
4:30 p.m.	Awards at ECI

ACCOMMODATIONS

We are staying at the Holiday Inn in Palm Springs. We have rooms reserved for a rate of \$99 plus tax. Each room has two double beds and will sleep four. To obtain this special rate, you must call the hotel at 760-323-1711 before December 15 and say you are with the Modern Pentathlon group.

The hotel address is:

Holiday Inn
1800 East Palm Canyon Drive
Palm Springs, CA 92264
(760) 323-1711
www.hipalmsprings.com

TRANSPORTATION

Several airports service the Palm Springs area. The closest is Palm Springs International Airport (PSP), which is just minutes away. A free hotel shuttle is available for transportation to and from this airport.

Athletes can also fly in to Ontario International Airport (ONT), which is an hour away, or the Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), which is about a three-hour drive. However, participants would need to arrange their own private transportation from these airports.

A free shuttle service will also be provided for transportation between venues. This service will be limited to hotel guests only.

VENUES

- **Run/Shoot and ride:** Equestrian Centers International (ECI), Rancho Mirage. CO₂ and compressed air will be available at the shooting range. The running will be on a flat mixed surface of compressed sand and asphalt.
- **Swim:** Palm Springs Swim Center, Palm Springs.
- **Fencing:** TBD

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT

Run/Shoot

The new run/shoot rules specify:

- A pentathlete must wear athletic clothing.
- The pentathlete must wear a top with their **name clearly visible and professionally printed** on the back side of the top. Below the name should be the NF (nation) code, 7 to 12 cm high and in a contrasting color to the color of their shirt.
- Pentathletes must compete with athletics shoes, with or without spikes.

Fencing

- Protective fencing clothing with fencer's surname and national code on the back of the jacket. We will have an armourer at the fencing venue who can do minor repairs and will have some fencing equipment and clothing for sale.

Riding

- Breeches, jacket, shirt, and tie for men
- Breeches, jacket, and blouse for women
- Riding boots with heel
- ASTM-approved helmets are mandatory

Weapons Control will check fencing jackets, masks, epees, air pistols, and riding helmets. Please bring all equipment to the competition registration.

DIVISIONS FOR COMPETITION

Divisions (age on December 31, 2009)

- Youth E (10 and under)
- Youth D (11–12)
- Youth C (13–14)
- Youth B (15–16)
- Youth A (17–18)
- Junior (19–21)
- Senior (22 and older)
- Masters (Men 40 and older) (Women 35 and older)

All divisions will participate in the combined run/shoot discipline with a handicapped start.

If we do not have a sufficient number of entries, Youth D and E will compete as Youth C. Competing more than one division above your age category requires approval from the organizing committee. For more information, e-mail p171duffy@aol.com. Riders must have a UIPM certification.

ENTRY INFORMATION

Name: _____ Division(s) _____

Address: _____ USAP # _____

Cell phone: _____ E-mail address: _____

Age: ____ Birth date: _____ Gender: ____ UIPM # _____ UIPM rider _____

If competitor is a minor, please provide the following parent/guardian information:

Name: _____ Cell phone: _____

Address: _____ E-mail address: _____

Arrival time/date: _____ Flight # _____

Departure time/date: _____ Flight # _____

If you are flying into Palm Springs International Airport, a hotel shuttle is available for guests of the Holiday Inn.

Will you be staying at the Holiday Inn? _____

ENTRY FEES

To make this event a success, we need to know the number of participants very soon. Please indicate your interest in the competition by returning the entry form as early as possible. **Deadline is December 1, 2009.**

Entry fees include transportation, lunch, and snacks on the competition day **for competitors only.**

- Competition registration fee (for competitors not in camp)
\$75 for nonriders; **\$100** for riders
- Late registration fee (after December 1, 2009): **Additional \$50**

NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER December 15, 2009.

Total fees: \$_____

Please make checks payable to West Coast Pentathlon. To complete your entry, fill out pages 4 and 5 of this entry form and sign the attached waivers and mail to the address below. **Checks must be included with entry.**

WAIVERS: The attached waivers must be signed by the applicant and parent or legal guardian if the applicant is under 18 years of age and returned with the application. You will not be allowed to compete without a signed waiver.

Mail entry packets to:
Connie Ballard
Event Secretary
3863 Lilac Canyon Lane
Altadena, CA 91001

For more information:

- For general inquiries, contact Pat Duffy at p171duffy@aol.com or call her at 1-415-892-4242
- For information about registration, contact Connie Ballard at ballardcon@aol.com or call 1-626-993-7828.