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## LEISURE DIVISION (LeD) RIDE BRIEFING

- Introduce oneself.
- Thank you's: thank riders for coming, thank ride management for having you and making the ride available, and thank your secretary and driver.
- Explain the "ride flow" and the process expected of the riders.

**For example:**

- There is only one judge (or, if two judges, explain how the judging will be accomplished)
- Check-in/check-out
- Timing out/timing in, and make sure riders know the location
- Timing on trail
- Setting watch to 12:00
- What a P&R is and why it is important
- Explain importance of good trail equitation for the health and longevity of the horse
- LeD scorecard and positive scoring system used; remind riders that horse and rider are judged as a TEAM
- Pass around a scorecard for riders to see ahead of time
- Judge or the trail master should tell riders not to get more than 15 minutes ahead of mid time *at any timing point*. On the short and slow rides, some new riders may want to canter much of it. You need to slow them down or you will miss them and have to toss one or more obstacles (or penalize them for being early). LeD rides are short rides, and you will still have to hustle to get in front of riders and to do many obstacles.
- Forward motion point
- Tell riders where everything is