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USEA's Instructors' Certification Program (ICP)

Capable instructors are essential to the training of riders and their horses for humane, safe and skilled participation in the sport of eventing. The USEA Instructors' Certification Program (ICP) seeks to help event instructors at all levels acquire a knowledge base, both theoretical and practical, upon which they can continue to build throughout their teaching lifetime. For USEA certified instructors, this knowledge base will support not only the teaching of event riding and training, but also care of the horse and development of effective and safe teaching methods.

The ICP will:

Identify essential training principles for riders and horses, drawn from time-tested sources and from experience with today's competition challenges; Offer to instructors materials, workshops, and mentorship opportunities that present these training principles in a logical sequence; Certify instructors at a specific level of teaching proficiency, with the invitation to continue to learn and to achieve a higher level of certification if they so desire; Provide an atmosphere of professional openness and support to all instructors so that on-going learning is facilitated.

Levels of certification offered are:

Level I - Novice - Instructors of riders through Novice

Level I - Training - Instructors of riders through Training

Level II - Instructors of riders through Preliminary, CIC*, Training Level Three-Day Event Test, CCI*

Level III - Instructors of riders through Intermediate, CIC**, CCI**

Level IV - Instructors of riders through Advanced, CIC***, CCI***
Level V - Instructors of riders through CCI****

NOTE -- ICP Levels have been redefined as of April 2006. Level II now includes instructing of riders of the Training Level Three-Day Event Test. Also, CCIs have been shifted downward so that Level II instructors teach riders of CCI*, including the steeplechase phase. Henceforth, teaching of steeplechase riding will be taught at all ICP Workshops that present teaching of cross-country lessons and will be included in the cross-country lesson at Assessments at Level II and up.

Instructor Benefits

- ICP certified instructors receive a lifetime 10% discount on all horse/rider/barn products offered by [Bit of Britain](#).
- They also receive special premium credits for various kinds of equine-related insurance offered by [Broadstone Equine Insurance](#) and by [Hallmark Insurance](#).



Direct link to [United States Pony Club Association](#).

NEXT STEP -- [How to become a Certified Eventing Instructor](#)