## Helpful Notes for Organisers.

## MORE DETAILED INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND IN THE PONY CLUB TETRATHLON RULE BOOK

See also https://pcuk.org/sports/tetrathlon/

## Tetrathlon Shoot Phase

| Venue | Ensure you have done a thorough site visit. See the Facilities <br> document on this link |
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| Details | Allow 15 minutes per detail with up to 12 competitors per details. <br> Ensure each detail is made up of competitors doing the same <br> type of shooting - therefore Minis and Juniors can be mixed as <br> both shooting 7m turning, albeit Juniors with 1 hand. <br> Also make sure you have allowed for Gun Shares - this is best <br> done through the entry form where you must state a Gun Code if <br> you are sharing a gun eg FlamsteadAP20-1. |
| Equipment | Target stands - there are 12 in the Area 12 kit, but you can set <br> them up in sets of 3 depending on number of entries (and pistols <br> available), and hours available in the venue. <br> Deflectors <br> Tables for shooters and the Range master - trestle tables are <br> recommended. <br> Plus, a table and chair for the Gun Check situated just outside the <br> hall. <br> Control box \& wires - Turning equipment. The Area 12 set is tricky <br> so make sure you have had a full briefing session before using it. <br> Extension lead. <br> Kevlar to go behind the targets - ensure you have worked out a <br> way of hanging it depending on your venue. <br> A broom to sweep up the pellets. <br> Targets - pre-printed and arranged in Detail order. 1 practice <br> target (with corner snipped) plus spares with the RCO and 2 <br> competition targets per competitor given to the competitor at <br> check in. <br> Spare protection glasses and gas in case anyone forgets them. |
| Helpers | Chief Range Officer |


|  | Range Assist x 2 <br> Gun Check <br> Scorers $\times 2$ <br> Runner (to take scored sheets to overall scorer) |
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| Gun Check | Use the gun check box to check the pistol fits. Check the pellets <br> are correct (flat not pointed) and the pistol has a safety flag in it. <br> Remind them an adult must carry the pistol at all times until the <br> child is on the range and the Range Master instructs them to <br> unload. Make sure competitors are wearing long trousers, <br> covered ankles and have safety glasses. |
| Briefing | Each detail will need to be briefed by the Range Master. It is a <br> good idea to have one detail waiting in the Hall (silently) so they <br> can hear the briefing twice and be prepared for the noise and <br> atmosphere). |
| Practice <br> Round | Each competitor can be accompanied by an adult, who <br> understands the basics. They can load for the younger <br> competitors and talk quietly to them during the practice round <br> but must be absolutely silent once the practice round is finished <br> and stand 3 metres behind. Any issues - competitor must hold up <br> a hand. The range assist/loader can give the practice targets back <br> to the competitor to look at before staring the competition <br> targets. If you prefer, the accompanying adult can collect the <br> practice targets and out of the competition targets. |
| The Start | Each competitor shoots 2 targets with 5 shots on each. The <br> Range Assist is responsible for collecting the competition targets. |
| Scoring | See Tetrathlon Rule book for details. If the scorers cannot agree, <br> then a scrutineer decision must be called for, zooming in on a <br> camera phone is most effective. |
| Extra | All entrants MUST be signed off by their Team Manager for <br> competing. <br> Pistols must at all times be carried by an adult until safely on the <br> range. <br> Competitors must wear long trousers and substantial shoes that <br> do not reach the anklebone (trainers), <br> Protective glasses are mandatory for 7m and recommended for <br> all levels. |
| Notes |  |

## Shoot detail instructions

Hello here is the tearn
During line up move if possible:
Any left handers?
Amyone loading?
Breifing

1. Point Guns dawn range all times.
2. Problem? Raise hand.
3. Stop Stop Stop $=$ stop put guns down
4. Flag after every $5^{\text {th }}$ shot.
5. Look dcom at lirie FEET GEHIND IT

## To Loaders

1. Do not talk or communicate with competitor aiter prachise sessibs.
2. Darit tauch arry ather competitor.
3. Behind line after loading

## Practice

1. 5 shots in vewn time
2. Flag to show you have finished.
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## Competition

1. No more coaching or communication
2. Talk through explaining commands.
3. Dry run through
a. Da not discharge amy alr..... check tamets if happens!
b. (wait for re -load command)

| Static targets | Turning |
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| 1. Areyou ready? | 1. Are you ready? |
| 2. Standby | 2. Waich and shopt. |
| 3. $1,2,3$ | 3. Press button F2 |
| 4. Fire | 4. Reload |
| 5. 4 seconds /are they finished, if no them warn $1^{\circ}$ | 5. Flag after $5^{\text {th }}$ shot |
| 6. Stop |  |
| 7. Reload |  |
| 8. Flag after $5^{\text {in }}$ shot |  |

End and finish safely

1. Please listen before hoving
2. If you need to remone flag do so
3. If you need to discharge the air please aim down range and take an aimed shot
4. Now Box guns Please

## Swim Phase

| Equipment | Swim box should include: <br> Tape Measure, Lane Markers, Horn, Bell, Whistles, Timers Pens/Pencils, Clipboards, Hi-Viz jackets <br> Lane Numbers to stick on wall <br> Water for all <br> Chairs for Competitors at top of swim lanes (i.e. no of lanes) <br> Competitor Lists $\times 3$ to stick on wall <br> Competitor list for Swim Steward/Secretary <br> Lane Walker slips <br> Table \& Chair for Secretary |
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| Helpers | Starter x2 <br> Swim Steward, Swim Secretary (\&runner), Lane Walkers (1 for each lane) |
| Swim Heats | It helps swimmers to give their best performance if swimmers of similar ability are in the same heat. If this is to be done, an estimated swim score should be asked for on the entry form. |
| Pool Prep | At least one side of the pool must be marked out for the judging of the distance swum. This will be the side the lane walkers are on. All competitors use other side of the pool. |
| Briefing | All groups will have a briefing before their warmup. Once warm is finished they what till they are called by Steward. Briefing to include: <br> - Who has done before? <br> - Swim any stroke but don't pull along ropes/sides or walk <br> - Make sure you touch each end clearly otherwise will be penalised <br> - Start will be "Take your Marks...whistle" <br> - False start, $2^{\text {nd }}$ whistle <br> - $2^{\text {nd }}$ false start - all start from in pool (no diving) <br> - Half way Bell (ring) <br> - 10 sec count down <br> - Finish Horn (honk) |
| Warm Up | Warmup where you can swim as much or little as you like but restrict to <5 mins. The starter will organise and manage a lane for diving. |


| The Start | Swim clockwise round lanes in warmup <br> The Steward calls out the names of those to swim in the <br> heat and they come to the start. Here they are checked by <br> the Lane Judges. <br> Who is ok to dive from blocks side of pool and in the water <br> start <br> Suggest Beanies start from shallow end |
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| The Starter should start the swimmers with on your Marks <br> and then a whistle (and a false start is signalled by a second <br> blast on the whistle and the use of a stop rope). On the <br> start being signalled, the Time-keeper starts his stopwatch. <br> There should be a stand-by watch in use, by the second <br> starter. <br> Bell rings half way through the heat <br> Horn Signals the end |  |
| Lane <br> Judges <br> complete lengths swum by their respective swimmers, and <br> of the further distance at the end. |  |
| Extra <br> Notes <br> Do not run on pool side it's slippery. <br> One person/manager on poolside for swim |  |
| Each group has different times just mention how long race <br> is. <br> Qualifies <br> Open Boys 4 min <br> Open Girls 3 min <br> Inter Boys/Inter Girls 3 mins <br> Junior Boys/Girls 3 mins <br> Minis - 2 mins <br> Tadpoles - 2mins <br> Beanie - 1 min (no warm up and no diving) |  |

Scoring table on white board

|  | LANE 1 | LANE 2 | LANE 3 | LANE 4 |
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| HEAT 1 | [insert lengths <br> and metres] eg <br> $3 \mathrm{L2}$ | [insert lengths <br> and metres] eg <br> $3 \mathrm{L2}$ | [insert lengths <br> and metres] eg <br> 3 32 | [insert lengths <br> and metres] eg <br> 3 L2 |
| HEAT 2 | etc |  |  |  |
| HEAT 3 |  |  |  |  |
| HEAT 4 |  |  |  |  |
| HEAT 5 |  |  |  |  |
| HEAT 6 |  |  |  |  |
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## Run Phase

## Equipment

Run clocks.
Measuring wheel
Red and White flags
Cones/ fence posts to create run through.
Signs - Start, Finish, Run through, etc.
Running map
Clip boards
Run scoring sheets!

## Distances

| Beanies | 500 m |
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| Tadpoles | 1000 m |
| Minis | 1000 m |
| Juniors | 1500 m |
| Intermediate Girls | 1500 m |
| Intermediate Boys | 2000 m |
| Senior Girls | 1500 m |
| Senior Boys | 3000 m |

## Run course.

The simplest course is 1000 m with a 500 m loop.
The start is marked, and a funnel is created with fence posts to allow the competitors to queue up before their start time.
It is most straight forward to have the start and finish at the same location and a run though to allow competitors to run laps. The run through is marked out with cones.
Red flags are on the right and white flags on the left around the course. The course is wheeled to confirm accurate distances. It can be useful to plan the route on google earth for approximate distance in the first instance.

## Setting the clocks

Before each race the clocks need to be synced. This is done by plugging the appropriate connector into the master clock. The connector is then held onto the slave clock and when the display reads 00.00 the synchronise button (either) for several seconds until a beep is heard. This syncs the clocks to read the same time.

## Roles

Secretary - Distributes the run numbers and checks that the competitors have arrived.
Whip- ensures that the next 5 competitors are lined up ready to start.
Starter- Sets each competitor off at 1-minute intervals and records the time on a scoring sheet. Count down each starter from 10. Alternatively, the competitors can be started off in groups of for example 10.
Marshal- Depending on the complexity of the course more than once may be necessary. They ensure that the competitor runs within the markers and follows the correct course.
Finisher $\times 2$ - Record the time that the competitor crosses the finish line. Requires two in case there are multiple competitors at the same time. The starting time is confirmed for each competitor from the starter scored sheet and the time is calculated.

## The race

Competitors can be set off at one-minute intervals, or alternatively run in groups of 8-10. The competitor(s) are counted down from 10 seconds and started on the minute displayed on the clock. The starter notes the actual start time of each competitor on score sheet.
The finisher records the actual time each competitor finishes and time elapsed is calculated. For this reason, it is essential that the clocks are synchronised before the race and periodically checked that they remain in sync.

