

THE UHGPGA, THE POMIC AND INSTRUCTING AT THE POM

Instruction at the Point of the Mountain is moderated by the UHGPGA. A committee comprised of active and qualified local instructors called the Point of the Mountain Instructors Committee (POMIC) works to qualify instructors who are new to the community. The UHGPGA and its membership, entrust the POMIC with achieving two specific goals; 1) moderate the quantity of instructional activity at the POM 2) moderate the quality of the instructional activity at the POM. Naturally, this translates into making as safe and as friendly an environment as is possible for the membership.

The following pages contain the guidelines used by the POMIC to qualify instructors. Each new instructor candidate must engage in a program consisting of four basic elements;

- 1) demonstrate qualifications
- 2) announce intent to apprentice
- 3) apprentice under an already qualified POMIC instructor
- 4) seek to be deemed officially “qualified”

When the requirements are met, the instructors are deemed “POMIC Qualified” and are free to teach at the POM unsupervised. When an instructor is approved by the POMIC, they are thereby a “UHGPGA Instructor” and are subject to the respective rules, guidelines, fees and revocation policies set forth by the UHGPGA. Likewise, they are eligible to be listed on the UHGPGA web site.

NOTE;

Instructor candidates who have completed the USHGA Instructor Training Seminar (ITS) and who are interested in conducting Instructor Apprenticeship (IA) in order to complete the requirements for their USHGA Instructor ratings may apprentice under UHGPGA qualified instructors provided that they adhere to the apprenticing guidelines set forth by USHGA, UHGPGA and POMIC. They do not need to announce their intentions in any way. Any apprentice who fails to adhere to the guidelines can have their ability to apprentice at the POM suspended until a review is completed by the POMIC.

GUIDELINES FOR BECOMING A POMIC APPROVED INSTRUCTOR

- 1) Persons interested in apprenticing to become POMIC qualified apprentices must hold a current USHGA Advanced Rating (P4/H4), and have completed an Instructor Training Seminar before beginning their official apprenticeship to become POMIC qualified instructors.
- 2) UHGPGA Instructor candidates who wish to apprentice under already qualified UHGPGA Instructors must contact each of the already qualified UHGPGA Instructors in his/her discipline (hg/pg) by phone, email, or in person before beginning to log apprenticeship hours to insure that all instructors are familiar with the new candidates. The apprentice is also responsible for providing the newsletter editor with an announcement regarding their intent to apprentice; however the newsletter does not need to be printed before the individual begins logging apprentice hours. The apprentice must keep a written record of his/her communication with the respective instructors and be able to provide it to POMIC upon request.
- 3) USHGA certified instructors, who also hold an advanced rating and who seek to become UHGPGA Instructors must meet the following criteria in order to be POMIC Qualified:
 - a) Possess current USHGA instructor rating
 - b) Possess current USGHA advanced rating
 - c) Obtain approval to apprentice by contacting existing UHGPGA instructors (see point #2 above)

- d) Complete 20 days of UHGPGA specific apprenticeship if he/she is a USHGA Basic Instructor
- e) Complete 10 days of UHGPGA specific apprenticeship if he/she is a USHGA Advanced Instructor
- f) The apprenticeship must be split between two different instructors(minimum) with no more than 50% of total apprenticeship time with one instructor
- g) The individual must prove residency in Utah by providing two of the following: USHGA card w/Utah address, Utah Drivers license, proof of primary residence in Utah, proof of at least the previous 30 days living in Utah.
- h) Pay annual \$200 UHGPGA instructors fee
- i) A vote will be taken at an instructors meeting to accept each apprentice as a voting member of this committee.

4) In order to maintain UHGPGA Qualified Instructor status the following criteria must be met:

- a) Teach at least 10 lessons on ten separate days per year
- b) Be present at two of four instructor committee meetings per year
- c) Maintain USHGA Instructor rating
- d) Continue to be a Utah resident
- e) Pay the \$200 fee by March 1. Must be paid in full before any teaching is undertaken
- f) Submit accident reports to USHGA, UHGPGA, and POMIC
- g) Follow all guidelines set forth by USHGA, UHGPGA and POMIC, for supervising apprentice instructors and for general teaching and flying at the POM(see below)
- h) Each Instructor should undergo an annual review of his/her activity at the fall POMIC meeting.
- i) Total number of Instructors at the Point will be limited to 20. This number can be evaluated by the group at every other POMIC meeting
- j) POMIC qualified UHGPGA Instructors from the previous year are automatically added to the list for the following year as long as they still meet the qualifications. Their “priority” position is forfeited if they don’t pay their \$200 instructor fee by March 1.

APPRENTICING GUIDELINES

1. Apprentices are to be treated as an additional student. Six students per instructor should be maintained regardless of the number of apprentices.
2. Apprentices should remain within 60 feet of the supervising instructor. Apprentices should also take responsibility for making sure that they do not stray too far from the instructor.
3. Basic USHGA instructors who are apprenticing for UHGPGA qualification should be limited in their active instructing or radio guidance of students while Advanced USHGA Instructors may take a more active role.

The following is a list of local instructors. Please edit add your information as necessary. The column titled current should be filled with an X when you are “qualified” and when your monies have paid. Mark Gaskill will be the keeper of this list. Send chris@4superfly.com your edits and I will forward the final list to Mark. Please note that Mark will schedule the instructor meetings and act as the liason between POMIC and the UHGPGA membership.

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