

Five Flag Race

Skills Needed:

Placement, pickup and hand off skills.

Equipment Required:

2 flag holders

Road pylon cones approximately 2.5' (76 cm.) high, with a sturdy base and the opening cut to 6" (15 cm.) diameter.

5 flags

Flags on canes about 4 feet (1.2 m.) long, made from ½ inch (1.27 cm.) doweling with square 12" x 12" (30 x 30 cm.) flags.

Race Set Up:

Place a flag holder three yards (2.7 m.) behind the change over line and also on the centre line. 4 flags will be in the holder on the centre line. Rider 1 starts the race behind the Start/Finish line. Riders 2, 3 and 4 start the race behind the 6 yard (5.5 m.) line. Give a flag to Rider 1.

Game Play:

On the signal to start Rider 1 will ride to the other end of the arena and place the flag he/she is carrying in the holder there. He/she will ride back, picking a flag out of the holder on the centre line and hand this flag to Rider 2 behind the Start Line. Riders 2, 3 & 4 will complete the course in the same way, up and down the arena in succession so that at the end, the team will have placed four flags in the holder at the far end of the arena and Rider 4 finishes over the Start/Finish Line mounted and carrying the fifth flag.

Should the flag holder be knocked over, the rider must put it up again, replacing any flags there may have been in it. For action to be taken when a holder is knocked over, see General Rules 9 & 10. If the flag should come off the cane, the stick may be used to complete the race. On windy days, rubber bands can be used to keep the flags furled and prevent them blowing over.

