

# Pull Codes

There are eight pull codes to describe why a horse or owner did not complete an endurance ride.

L - Lameness

M - Metabolic

SF - Surface Factors

DQ - Disqualification

OT - Overtime

RO - Rider Option

RO-L - Rider Option - Lameness

RO-M - Rider Option - Metabolic

The **Lameness** code is used when any equine is found to be consistently lame at Grade III or greater by the veterinary control judge.

The **Metabolic** code is used for various reasons all pertaining to the equine's ability to cope metabolically or cardiovascular with the conditions. In general, no one physical exam parameter would require a horse to be eliminated and all signs should be considered together.

The **Surface Factor** code is used for any tack gall, laceration or abrasion on the horse that the vet deems would render the horse unfit to continue.

The **Overtime** code pertains to horses that have gone over the total allowed ride time or did not meet a hold cut off time.

The **Disqualification** code is used by ride management for rule infractions by the rider.

The **Rider Option** code pertains to the health of the rider and is used when the rider themselves feels they are unable to continue.

The **Rider Option - Lameness** code is used in a case where the vet has passed the horse as fit to continue but the rider feels the horse is not really sound.

The **Rider Option - Metabolic** code is used where the horse has passed the vet check as fit to continue but the rider feels the horse is not up to par.

In ALL cases where the rider option code is used, the horse must have completed and passed the exam at the vet check as fit to continue for the rider option to be used. Horses that do not pass for lameness or metabolic reasons cannot be a rider option.