

THE HORSE RIDER'S CODE OF CONDUCT

1. I understand that riding at any standard has inherent risk and that all horses may react unpredictably on occasions.
2. I may fall off and could be injured. I accept that risk.
3. I understand that instructions are given for my safety and agree to follow instructions given to me by staff and instructors of the riding school.
4. I reserve the right not to ride a horse allocated to me and may request a change of instructor.
5. I understand that wearing an appropriate riding hat and body protector may reduce the severity of an injury should an accident happen and agree that I will always wear a riding hat whilst riding, leading and grooming horses at the riding school and a body protector always when riding if I am 17 years of age or under. If I am over 17 years of age I understand it is my choice whether or not I wear a body protector when riding.
6. I understand that the riding school will make decisions based on information I give them and agree to always be honest and volunteer information about:
 - (a) My abilities and riding experience
 - (b) Any previous riding accidents
 - (c) Any medical condition(s) which may affect my ability to ride
7. I understand that children are at particular risk around horses and agree that I will keep children that I am responsible for under close supervision when they are not being instructed by the riding school.
8. I understand that the riding school may refuse my request to ride for safety or operational reasons.
9. I understand that competing carries enhanced risk over and above general riding and agree that if I choose to participate in any competition or event it is up to me to ensure that I have the experience and ability to ride the course including any jumps which form part of it. If I am in any doubt, I will use my judgment and experience and not enter.

Signed:
(To be signed by the parent or guardian for riders of seventeen years of age or below)

Print Name: Date: