

THE HORSE RIDER'S CODE OF CONDUCT

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1. I understand that riding at any standard has inherent risk and that all horses may react unpredictably on occasions.
2. I may fall 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 fastened riding hat to the current BSI standard whilst mounted on, leading and grooming/handling a horse. That I will wear a body protector always when riding if I am under the age of 18 and if 18 or over it is my choice whether or not to wear a body protector, unless jumping fixed obstacles, when a body protector is mandatory for all.
6. I understand the riding school will make decision based on information I give them and agree to always be honest and volunteer information about:
 - My abilities and riding experience;
 - Any previous riding accidents;
 - Any medical condition 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 I am responsible for under my close supervision and at my side at all times when not being instructed via 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 and hacking out carries enhanced risk over and above general riding and agree that if I choose to participate in any competition or attend an escorted hack it is up to me to ensure that I have the experience and ability to complete the exercise involved safely, including any jumps that form part of it. If I am in doubt I will judgement judgment and experience and decide not to participate.

Signed: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____