

GOLD AWARD 1

OBJECTIVES



- * Be in control of the pony in all paces and over jumps
- * Have control over a pony on the roads and in the countryside
- * Know how to look after a grass kept pony, or a pony on a combined system
- * Know the country law

RIDING AND ROAD SENSE

1. Hold the reins in one hand.
2. Show exercises in sitting trot without stirrups.
3. Understand and start to establish rhythm and tempo in trot.
4. Demonstrate use of seat and leg and hands to increase and decrease pace.
5. Know how to correct canter leads.
6. Be able to ride independently in the open (e.g. in a collecting area at a show).
7. Be able to ride in walk, trot and canter in a large open space on a well-behaved pony.
8. Have control over a pony when jumping a small course of jumps in the open.
9. Show correct position at gallop.
10. Take part in mounted games.
11. Know how to ride across farmland.
12. Show how to open gates.
13. Know how to overtake stationary vehicles.
14. Know how to ride around roundabouts.
15. Know roads signs and police signals.
16. Know how to pass hazards.
17. Know how to use a T-junction Major to Minor and Minor to Major road.

HORSEMASTERSHIP

18. Put on a saddle and bridle with a martingale and flash noseband.
19. Be able to muck out a stable and set fair.
20. Know how to care for a pony working off grass.
21. Know when to give a thorough grooming.
22. Know how to wash down a hot pony.
23. Know the rules of watering.
24. Know the rules of feeding.
25. Describe the parts of the foot that can be seen.
26. Know when a pony is off colour.
27. Know the symptoms of colic, colds and equine influenza.
28. Know how to protect against tetanus and equine influenza.
29. Lead a pony in and out of a trailer or horse box.