

**The Pony Club Road Rider Test**  
**Sample questions**

1. If on a bridle path you meet pedestrians coming towards you, would you: -
  - a) Walk past them slowly.
  - b) Dismount and lead your pony past.
  - c) Ignore them.
  
2. Why is it important to check your pony's shoes before going out onto the road?
  - a) So your pony looks pretty.
  - b) If your pony's shoes are worn and shiny these can cause your pony to slip on the road.
  - c) So that people can hear your pony coming along the road
  
3. If you can see a hazard ahead which will cause you and your Pony problems, what is the best action?
  - a) Ride on the pavement.
  - b) Make the Pony face up to it.
  - c) Make a detour to avoid the hazard.
  
4. Place the following in order of sequence. (1, 2, 3, 4)
  - a) Signal.
  - b) Observe.
  - c) Make your turn if it is safe to do so.
  - d) Observe
  
5. What must you never do with your whip?
  - a) Signal with it in your hand.
  - b) Use it as an aid to back up the rider's leg aid.
  - c) Use it when taking your Road Rider Test.
  
6. If it is too slippery for you walking on the road would you.
  - a) Take your pony out anyway.
  - b) Lead your pony out onto the road?
  - c) Stay at home.
  
7. What is the minimum form of insurance that every rider should have?
  - a) Fire and Theft.
  - b) Personal Accident.
  - c) Public Liability.

8. If you are going to collect your horse from the field and ride him home on the road what would you take?
- Take a head collar.
  - Take a saddle and bridle.
  - Take a bridle.
9. Where should a rider's hands be when overtaking an obstruction/hazard on the side of the road?
- On the reins
  - Signalling.
  - Reins in one hand.
10. Why is it important that you take a mobile phone with you when you are out on the road?
- In case there is an emergency and you need to phone for help.
  - So you can talk to your friends while out riding.
  - Because you always have your mobile phone with you.
11. If another road user has been polite and helpful to you, what should you do?
- Ignore them
  - Wave to them.
  - Smile nod and say thank you without taking your hands off the reins.
12. You have dropped your whip. What is the first thing you should do before you stop and get off?
- Look all around, observing the traffic situation and potential hazards
  - Stop
  - Use your slowing down signal
13. What Colour on the sign indicates a Bridleway?
- Yellow
  - Blue
  - Red
14. Are you allowed to ride on a footpath?
- Yes
  - No
15. According to the Highway Code what must you be able to do before you go on the road?
- Be in control of your Pony
  - Ride a pony who is used to Traffic

- c) Be used to riding in traffic
16. Triangular signs with white background and red borders:
- Give orders
  - Give information
  - Give Warnings
17. Number in order of sequence starting with Red as number 1.
- Red
  - Green
  - Amber
  - Red and Amber
18. Before making any signal you should?
- Look, listen and observe.
  - Be within 15 metres of the junction.
  - Listen for traffic
19. On which side of you do lead a horse on the road?
- On your left hand side on the left of the road.
  - On your left hand side on the pavement.
  - On your right hand side facing oncoming traffic.
20. How would you lead your pony on the road? (This is also called Dress leading.)
- In a rug.
  - In a head collar.
  - In a bridle.
21. Which of the following signs describes the sign for NO ENTRY:-
- Horizontal red bar on a white disc
  - Horizontal white bar on a red disc
  - Horizontal white bar on a blue disc
22. Which of the following footwear is ideal for riding in?
- Wellington Boots
  - Riding boots with through soles and a small heel.
  - Trainers
23. Why do you lead your pony on the road in a Bridle?
- Because a bridle looks better.
  - So you have more control.
  - So he is nearly tacked up when you get home.
24. What type of hat can you ride on the road wearing?
- Baseball cap
  - Woolly Hat

c) Hat with a 3 point harness certified to current standards.

25. Why should you wear light or bright coloured gloves?

- a) So drivers can see your hands when you make a signal
- b) So that you look smart on the road
- c) Because you cant find your other pair.

26. Should you ride while listening to your iPod?

- a) Yes
- b) No

27. If the road where you hack is busy between 8am and 9am and then between 3pm and 4pm, when would be most sensible to ride?

- a) During those busy times?
- b) Before 8am
- c) Before or after those times when the light is suitable
- d) After 4pm.

28. What should you do if you friend falls off while you are out for a hack and their pony gallops off?

- a) Call someone who knows where you are and tell them what happened?
- b) Chase after the pony.
- c) Go home and get someone as you have forgotten your mobile phone.

29. When overtaking a parked car, why is it important to look inside the vehicle (you can select more than one answer)

- a) There may be a dog in the car that could jump up and scare you pony.
- b) There may be a person in the car that is just about to open their door.
- c) You like looking in peoples cars.

30. Why is it important that you wear fluourescent reflective clothing while out on the road?

- a) Because you like wearing it.
- b) Because other road users can see you.
- c) Because your Mum told you to!