UKCC Level 1 Certificate in Equestrian Coaching
(General Riding)

Registration and Certification Requirements

To register onto the qualification learners must:

• be at least 16 years of age AND
• be able to communicate effectively in English, AND
• be able to evidence knowledge of the basic care of horses and be able to prepare a horse for a ridden session, AND
• be able to evidence the ability to competently walk, trot and canter (without stirrups in walk and trot) and over ground poles

Prior to being certificated learners must:

• be at least 16 years of age, AND
• have attended a recognised safeguarding workshop (not online), AND
• hold a current recognised first aid qualification (minimum 1 Day Course – however a 2 Day Course is recommended for coaches aiming to progress to UKCC Level 2)

Please note

Evidence of the ability to provide basic horse care and prepare a horse for a ridden session may include:

• a recognised basic horse care qualification, e.g. Pony Club (PC) C Test Horse and Pony Care, British Horse Society (BHS) Stage 1 Care, or other similar level qualification, OR
• a witness testimony from a suitably qualified person, e.g. Stage 4 Senior Coach/ BHSII, UKCC Level 3 Coach, PC AH Test holder or equivalent

Evidence of the ability to competently walk, trot and canter (without stirrups in walk and trot), and over ground poles may include:

• a recognised basic riding qualification, e.g. PC C Test Riding, BHS Stage 1 Ride, or similar level qualification, OR
• a witness testimony from a suitably qualified person, e.g. BHS Stage 4 Senior Coach / BHSII, UKCC Level 3 Coach, PC A Test holder or equivalent, OR
• video evidence of riding in walk, trot and canter (without stirrups in walk and trot) and over ground poles, OR
• a competition record, e.g. a British Eventing (BE), British Dressage (BD) or British Showjumping (BS)

Safeguarding workshops recognised include:
• UK Coaching Safeguarding & Protecting Children (NB this is the only qualification accepted by SportScotland)
• British Equestrian Federation (BEF) Safeguarding Course

First aid qualifications recognised include:
• Emergency First Aid 1 Day Course
• BHS Initial First Aid 2 Day Course
• First Aid at Work (FAW) 3 Day Course