

**The Pony Club Road Rider Test
Examiners Notes**

1. Does the rider know what important items to take with them on a hack?
Folding Hoof Pick, Personal Medication, Mobile Phone.
2. Be Seen to Be Safe – Does the rider understand what Hi Viz clothing is, and the importance of wearing it for both pony and rider?
3. Road Signals – These can be demonstrated using a complex simulated road route, to include major to minor turns, minor to major turns and hazards.
LOOK - SIGNAL - LIFE SAVER LOOK - MANOEUVRE. Demonstrate Left and Right Turns.

4. Road Signs - Riders should be able to recognise:



5. Traffic Lights - Riders should know the importance of the Amber Light “STOP”.
6. Trot should be shown - does the rider look behind before going into trot and again before going into walk?
7. Does the rider negotiate hazards safely?
Does the rider look behind before reaching the hazard or vehicle?
Signal - Check for anything that may spook their pony - keep alert
- move back in.

Does the rider use the right rein and right leg to flex the pony's head and body away from the object, stopping the hindquarters from going into any traffic?

8. Is the rider able to demonstrate an Emergency Dismount and the reasons and circumstances of why and when this would be carried out?

Does the rider look behind – remove feet from stirrups & Dismount taking the right stirrup over the saddle, then pushing the left stirrup over the saddle - go round to the front of the pony in order to be on the pony's right side - look behind - signal before moving off.

Dismounting is not recommended - Reasons Why?

9. Be able to describe how a rider would negotiate a roundabout safely.

10. Question Paper - 10 questions

Test the rider's knowledge of Road Safety and the Highway Code. These may be given verbally.