

## **RIDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACTS 1964 AND 1970**

## **CONDITIONS**

- 1. The carrying out of the business of a Riding Establishment on the premises shall, at no time, be left in the charge of any person under 16 years of age.
- 2. No horse will be let out for hire or used for providing instruction in riding without supervision by a responsible person aged 16 years or over, unless (in the case of a horse let out for hire for riding) the holder of the licence is satisfied that the hirer of the horse is competent to ride without supervision.
- 3. The licence holder shall hold a current insurance policy which covers, a) liability for any injury sustained by those who hire a horse from him/her for riding, and those who use a horse in the course of receiving from him/her, in return for payment, instruction in riding, b) liability arising out of such hire or use of a horse as aforesaid, and c) liability which may be incurred by such hirers or users in respect of injury to any person caused by, or arising out of, such hire or use. (£2 million minimum)
- 4. A register shall be kept by the licence holder of all horses in his/her possession aged three years and under and usually kept on the premises. This register shall be kept available for inspection by an authorised officer at all reasonable times.
- 5. Any horse found on inspection of the premises by an authorised officer to be in need of veterinary attention shall not be returned to work until the holder of the licence has obtained, at his/her own expense, and has lodged with the Council, a veterinary certificate confirming that the horse is fit for work.
- 6. The feet of all horses must be properly trimmed and, if shod, their shoes must be properly fitted and in good condition.
- 7. There must be available at all times accommodation for horses suitable as respects construction, size, number of occupants, lighting, ventilation, drainage and cleanliness and these requirements will be complied with not only in the case of new buildings but also in the case of buildings converted for use as stabling.
- 8. In the case of horses maintained at grass, there will be available for them at all times during which they are so maintained adequate pasture, shelter and water, and supplementary feeds must be provided as and when required.
- 9. All horses must be adequately supplied with suitable food, drink and (except in the case of horses maintained at grass, so long as they are so maintained) bedding material, and will be adequately exercised, groomed and rested and visited at suitable intervals.
- 10. All reasonable precautions must be taken to prevent and control the spread among horses of infectious or contagious diseases.
- 11. Veterinary first aid equipment and medicines shall be provided and maintained in the premises.

- 12. Paramount consideration must be given to the conditions of the horses, which must at all times be maintained in good health and in all respects physically fit. In the case of a horse kept for the purpose of its being let out on hire for riding or a horse kept for the purpose of its being used in providing instruction in riding, the horse must be suitable for the purpose for which it is kept.
- 13. No horse in any of the following three categories shall be let out on hire for riding, used for the purpose of providing, in return for payment, instruction in riding or used for the purpose of demonstrating riding:
  - a) Any horse aged 3 years and under;
  - b) any mare heavy with foal; and
  - c) any mare within 3 months after foaling.
- 14. Appropriate steps must be taken for the protection and extrication of horses in case of fire and, in particular, the name, address and telephone number of the licence holder or some other responsible person shall be kept displayed in a prominent position on the outside of the premises. Also, instructions as to action to be taken in the event of fire, with particular regard to the extrication of horses, shall be kept displayed in a prominent position on the outside of the premises.
- 15. Adequate accommodation must be provided for forage, bedding, stable equipment and saddlery.
- 16. That every Authorised Officer of the Council be at all times allowed free access to the premises of the licensee for the purposes of ascertaining if the above conditions are properly observed.
- 17. A minimum of two competent persons must be present during licensed activities at all times.
- 18. A copy of this licence shall be suitably displayed to the public in a prominent position within the Establishment.
- 19. The licence holder must notify the licensing authority immediately of any material change in personal circumstances including a change of address or any criminal convictions imposed or conditional offers of a fixed penalty accepted by him or her.
- 20. The licence holder must notify the licensing authority immediately of any material change in circumstances relating to the Riding Establishment, e.g. alterations or addition to the premises, changes in management etc.
- 21. It shall be the sole responsibility of the licence holder to ensure that any individual working (either paid or voluntarily) for the applicant who is doing regulated work in terms of the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007 is registered on the PVG Scheme.
- 22. The licensing authority may order the revocation of a licence if in its opinion a condition of the licence has been contravened