



Cumberland Farmers' Hunt (South) Branch

Dress Code

New clothing is not expected, but what is worn must be clean, neat and tidy. CFHS kit can be bought from Sam Scotts in Penrith, and on the Whats App second hand group. **Any extra non CFHS kit not to be worn at rallies, competitions where you are representing the CFHS or prize giving's. See photos below.**

Hat - It is mandatory for all Members to wear a protective helmet which has been tagged (checked by the Branch Tagging Official that it has been manufactured to safety standards required by The Pony Club. Details of these standards are on the Pony Club website). *A jockey skull cap with no fixed peak must be worn for cross-country riding where fences are 80cms or above. It is strongly recommended that a jockey skull cap is worn for cross-country riding even over lower fences.* **It is strongly recommended that second hand hats are not purchased.**

Hat Covers - should be plain and dark, e.g. black or blue. (unless XC – CFHS are Navy and gold stars – gold pom pom optional)

Hairnets - Unless your hair is very short you must wear a hair net or tie it back. **All long pony tails must be bunched up in a hairnet. Loose hair can be a danger and a distraction.**

Jodhpurs/Breeches - Cream, beige, canary or white **must be** worn at rallies where turnout marks are awarded. Dark – blue, black or light grey optional for non turnout.

Gloves - Should be worn for the inspection. These should be dark or white

Show Jacket – a CFHS polo shirt, or a shirt and pony club tie or stock, with a CFHS sweatshirt and or soft shell jacket may be worn at Turnout Rallies. Show jackets are not required, but if worn should be plain coloured or tweed. **NO HOODIES**

Pony Club Membership Badge - must be worn on the left lapel of the show jacket. Flower button holes should not be worn. The material test badges can be sewn onto jumpers where no Metal badge is worn if you wish.

Riding Boots - Only standard riding or Jodhpur boots with a fairly smooth, thin sole and a well defined square cut heel may be worn. **No other footwear will be allowed. Please note: Treaded soles on riding boots will significantly increase the risk of the foot becoming trapped in the stirrup in a fall which could result in serious injury.**

Chaps - Plain black or brown **half chaps** may be worn with Jodhpur boots of the same colour. Tassels and fringes are not allowed.

Whip – Should be carried with the exception of those on lead rein. Long schooling whips should not be used for jumping. Padded jumping whip only.

Spurs – may only be used when appropriate. **Any misuse of spurs will be reported to the DC, Area Representative and Training Chairman, any reported riders will be recorded and monitored.** Sharp spurs are not permitted. Only blunt spurs, without rowels or sharp edges, and spurs that have a smooth rotating ball on the shank may be worn. If the spurs are curved, the curve must be downwards and the shank must point straight to the back and not exceed 3.5cm in length. The measurement is taken from the heel of the boot to the end of the shank.

Jewellery – This rule applies to all Pony Club mounted activities. No jewellery is allowed for safety reasons, other than a wristwatch, a wedding ring, a stock pin worn horizontally or a tie clip. Definitely no earrings! **It is recommended that stock pins are removed for cross country. Members who are contemplating piercing their ears or any other part of their body should be aware that they will not be allowed to participate until such time as the “sleepers” can safely be**

removed. The reason for this is that sleepers have in the past caused injuries following falls. There are vulnerable blood vessels behind the ear and if the facial nerve is pierced partial paralysis of the face can occur.

Cross-Country riding (including Eventing, Tetrathlon, Horse Trials, tests, training and all crosscountry rallies a jockey skull cap, with no fixed peak, must be worn. Body protectors are compulsory for all cross-country riding and Pony Racing whether it be rallies, training or competing. Medical Armbands are recommended at all times and are compulsory for all cross-country phases. Pony Club sweatshirts or your own cross-country colours should be worn at cross-country rallies/training. Long sleeves must be worn as they offer more protection to the arms. It is recommended that stock pins are removed for cross-country.

PONIES - Do not need to be plaited but should be clean and tidy. Remove mud and stable stains but they do not need to be washed if they live out, especially during cold weather/winter months. They should have clean eyes, nose, mouth and dock. Feet should be well cared for; kept up to date with trimming if unshod and shoeing if shod. Ponies who are continually coughing will be sent home.

TACK - Needs to fit correctly and be clean, especially the bit. Stitching must be safe and checked on a regular basis. **Reins** should be of the correct length for the pony and rider (not too long). **Stirrups** – These should be of the correct size to suit the rider's boots. They must have 7mm (1/4 inch) clearance on either side of the boot. **Numnahs/Saddle cloths** to be one colour (can have contrasting piping) – dark or white. Only Logos are the PC CFHS logos. Personal XC at camp/XC rallies can be used, CFHS kit is preferred on XC day.

SIDE REINS ARE NOT ALLOWED, however, **grass reins are allowed**, but they must be connected from the bit to the browband/headpiece and attached to the D Rings on the saddle. They must not be attached to the girth.

LEAD REIN CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A RESPONSIBLE PERSON OVER THE AGE OF 16, lead rope to be attached to the noseband not the bit.

For NON- Turnout rallies all the above applies.

At Competitions – Areas and Championships – Prize Giving to be in Show Jackets. Course walks to be in CFHS kit/show jackets, neat and tidy..

Friendly competitions representing the branch - CFHS polo shirt, soft shell.



OUR CFHS colours are Navy and Gold. Tetrathlon have a brighter hoodie for competitions.

<https://samscotts.co.uk/collections/cfhs-pony-club>

These are conditions of being a Member of The Pony Club.

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