

NWPC guide to tests and training 2017

Minimum age	Recommended training level	Test minimum age	Road safety	badges
3	Pre D test sessions			Mini achievement badges
4	Pre D test sessions	E		Mini achievement badges
5	Pre D test sessions			Mini achievement badges
6	Pre D test sessions			Mini achievement badges
7	Pre D test sessions		Mini road rider test	Mini achievement badges
8	Training for D/D+	D		Mini achievement and achievement badges
9	Training for D+			Mini achievement and achievement badges
10	Training for D+/C	D+		Mini achievement and achievement badges
11	Training for C	C	Road rider achievement badge	achievement badges
12	Training for C/C+			achievement badges
13	Training for C+	C+		achievement badges
14	Training for C+/B			achievement badges
15	Training for B	B		achievement badges
16	Training for B Introduction to PC coaching course Training for B+ Training for lunging test Training for AH			achievement badges
17	Training for B+. Training for lunging test. Training for AH; PC coaching development course	B+ Lunging test AH		
18+	Training for PC coaching certificate. Training for A	Coaching Certificate. A		

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Please note the ages quoted are the minimum as specified by Pony Club. However we often find that taking C test at aged 12+, C+ at aged 14+ and B at 16+ gives better results. There is no rush to take any test or indeed any compulsion to ever do a single one. It's very much a matter of members going forward when they are ready. Please be guided by our instructors as they have experience in assessing when a member is ready for test. No one likes having to fail at child at any level and going forward to test too early increases the risk of a child not achieving the required standard. We put training on for all levels but would recommend that parents give their children some assistance with revision prior to test. The higher up the tests they go the greater the level of knowledge required and we often find that the members who perform best are those who have taken the time to attend the training for a second year.