

What to wear to a Pony Club competition

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When attending a Pony Club competition, you are expected to show a high standard of turnout for yourself and your pony. Horses/ponies should be plaited at Area or Regional Qualifying competitions, as well as for all dressage competitions, including the dressage phase of eventing.

For Pony Club competitions, it is the member's responsibility to ensure that their dress and horse's tack complies with the rules for that competition. Rules for each discipline can be found on the main [Pony Club website](#) or purchased through Amazon. Make sure you are reading the most up to date edition.

If you need any advice, then contact the DC or the Team Manager for that event, we are here to help.

You must wear a **tweed jacket** or a **dark coloured jacket** over a plain white or cream shirt and Pony Club tie or shirt and Pony Club stock. In hot weather, you are sometimes allowed to compete without jackets, but your shirt must fully cover your shoulders.

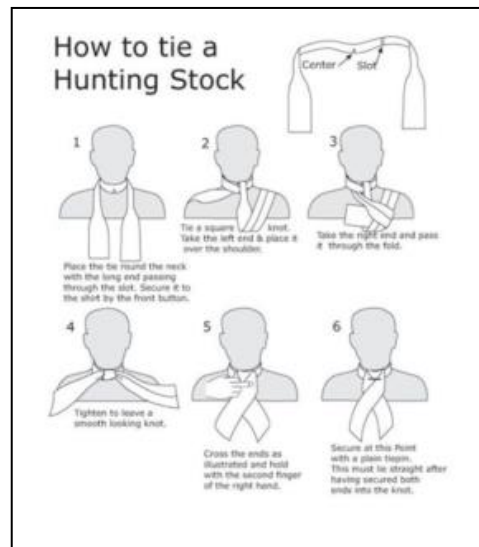
A **tweed jacket** should be worn with Pony Club tie or stock.

A **navy blue or black jacket** should be worn with Pony Club tie or white or cream stock.

The **Pony Club badge** must be worn on the left lapel with test felt underneath.

Stock pins fitted horizontally can be worn, but removal is recommended prior to cross country.

If you are wearing a stock, please learn to tie it correctly. There are



various youtube videos to demonstrate this.

Gloves are required for dressage and eventing and the failure in wearing them may result in penalty points.

Jodhpurs Jodhpurs/breeches should be in solid, single, muted colours. Beige, cream, or white (with or without dark-coloured contrasting seat) are preferred for all Area, Regional and Championship competitions.

Boots long black or brown standard riding boots or black or brown jodhpur boots with black

or brown half chaps or gaiter (NO tassels). Boots should have smooth soles.

Cross Country base layers are worn for cross country. Pink PWPC base layers are available from the web shop. The club has team hat silks that can be borrowed for area competitions and the bigger events.

Spurs Rule

Spurs may be worn at events. Any misuse of spurs will be reported to the District Commissioner, Area Representative and Training Chairman and riders who are reported 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 4 cm in length. The measurement is taken from the heel of the boot to the end of the shank.

Medical Armbands

It is the competitor's responsibility to wear a medical armband if they have a medical condition that may impact on their care in the case of an emergency.

Hat Rule: [hat-rule-2024.pdf](#)
([pcuk.org](#))

Body Protector Rule: Body protectors must be worn when riding cross country and for Arena Eventing: [body-protector-rule-2024.pdf](#) ([pcuk.org](#))

If a rider chooses to wear an air jacket in cross country or pony racing, it must only be used in addition with a normal, current standard, body protector.

Electronic Devices

Electronic devices (i.e. headphones, mobile phones, etc. enabling another person to communicate with the rider) are not allowed whilst the rider is competing. No recording device is permitted (e.g. hat / bridle cameras, etc.).

Jewellery

Necklaces and bracelets (other than medical bracelets) must be removed, as must larger and more pendulous pieces of jewellery (including those attached to piercings) which create a risk of injury to the body part through which they are secured. For the avoidance of doubt a wristwatch, wedding ring, stock pin worn horizontally and/or a tie clip are permitted. It is recommended that stock pins are removed for cross country.

All PWPC brand clothing can be purchased from our web shop on [Tylers Horse and Country](#).