

SC&SH Branch - Rally Protocol

In order for Rallies to run smoothly, safely and enjoyably the following rules apply:

Do:

- Plan ahead, book into rallies in good time and enter the dates in your diaries.
- Contact the organiser as soon as possible if you are booked in and find you are unable to attend.
- Call the organiser if the weather looks doubtful before leaving home.
- Let the organiser know if you are sharing transport as this might affect the planning of groups.
- Arrive in good time so that you are ready to ride at the start of your session.
- Introduce yourself to the rally organiser so they know you are there.
- Ensure you are wearing the correct attire, and you and your pony are clean and smart.
- Ensure your horse/pony wears a red ribbon if it kicks or a green ribbon if young or inexperienced.
- Ensure your hat has been tagged.
- Remember to have booked and paid or you won't be able to ride. Cheques to be made payable to SC&SH PC.
- Thank your instructor at the end of your ride.
- Ensure a responsible adult is present throughout the activity.

Don't:

- Turn up at rallies assuming there will be a space for you if you have not booked.
- Substitute another member in your place – this could affect teaching groups
- Ring organisers after 9pm at night or leave a message for them to ring you back – they won't.
- Muck out at rallies – bring the necessary equipment for removing droppings before you leave.
- Wear spurs unless you have approval from the DC.

To qualify to represent the club at any level at the Area Competitions, the rider and horse/pony **must** have attended at least 3 mounted/working rallies since 1st July of the previous year, with at least 1 after 1st January in the current year (not necessarily together), Camp counts as 1 rally. Subscriptions must be paid by 31st January of the year in which the area competition falls to be considered for a place.