

Application and Conditions for Pony Rides on Rochford District Council Land

I request permission to include pony rides in the list of attractions for the event

_____ which is being held at

_____ on ____ / ____ / ____

Person responsible for event:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No: _____

Person responsible for ponies:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No: _____

Ponies to be worked at event:

Name	Colour	Sex	Age	Height

I enclose a copy of the operators Public Liability Insurance Certificate. (Minimum cover £5 million.)

Proof of pony/ies suitability and fitness to provide rides

I enclose veterinary Certificate No: _____ to cover (quantity) _____ ponies

or

I enclose a copy of Riding Establishments Act 1964 & 1970 Licence that covers the period of the event. Licence Number: _____

Valid from: _____ To _____

Conditions

For the purposes of these conditions the term 'pony' shall also include Horse, Donkey, Mule and Ass.

Ponies must be under the constant supervision of the responsible person named above. That person must be over the age of 16 years.

Ponies must be adequately supplied with suitable food and drink, must be adequately groomed and rested and be provided sufficient shelter and shade.

Ponies to be used for such rides must be maintained in good health and in all respects physically fit and suitable for that purpose.

No pony aged less than 4 years nor any mare in foal nor any mare within three months after foaling may be used for rides.

All riding equipment supplied for a pony ride must be maintained in good condition and free from defect which is likely to cause suffering to the pony or accident to the rider.

The feet of all ponies must be properly trimmed and, if shod, their shoes must be properly fitted and in good condition. All shoes must be paired (ie must have all four shoes or both front or rear shoes) and any lost shoes must be replaced immediately or the animal taken out of use until properly fitted.

If an animal becomes lame it must cease to be used immediately.

There must be provision for the removal and disposal of manure and spoiled straw off the site at the end of each day of the event.

The operator of such rides shall inspect the area before use and satisfy themselves that it is free from dangerous litter and poisonous plants or shrubs, (plants or shrubs may not be removed from the Public Open Space).

Unless the ponies are from a Riding Establishment that is currently licenced under the Riding Establishment Acts of 1964 and 1970 and the ponies that are being used for the rides have been inspected by an Approved Riding Establishments Inspector, the operator must provide a Veterinary Surgeons Certificate that the ponies being used are suitable and fit for rides.

The operator of such rides must permit an inspection of the Ponies by an authorised officer of the Council, the Council's Veterinary Surgeon or the RSPCA at any time while the animal is on Council owned land and if a Pony is found in need of veterinary attention, it shall not be used for rides until the operator has obtained at their own expense and has lodged with RDC a veterinary certificate that the pony is fit and suitable for rides.

The operator of such rides shall also comply with all relevant sections of the following legislation

The Riding Establishments Acts 1964 and 1970
The Protection of Animals Act 1911
The Animal Welfare Act 2006

The operator of such rides will at all times fully indemnify the Council against all actions, proceedings, losses, demands, damages, costs, expenses or claims whatsoever which may be made against the Council as a result of negligence or breach of any part of this agreement.

A copy of the operators Public Liability insurance must be lodged with the Council before the event takes place. The minimum cover required for this activity is £5 million.

I.....owner/keeper of the ponies

listed on the pony rides application form, will be under my constant care on the event date. I have read, understand and agree to comply with the Rochford District Councils conditions for pony rides on Council land.

Signed:..... Dated:.....