
Platinum Award 3



Riding and Road Sense

To pass this award you must be able to:

1. Have passed the previous award (Gold 1 Riding)
 2. Mount from a leg up on the correct side
 3. Dismount from the incorrect side
 4. Have a correct position at all paces
 5. Keep a balanced position when changing from sitting to rising trot
 6. Explain correctly, as if you were teaching a beginner, the aids for the following transitions:
 - Halt to walk
 - Walk to trot
 7. Halt squarely and salute
 8. Tell me how the pony should place its feet in a square halt
 9. Tell me the sequence of footfalls in walk
 10. Ride school exercises with the reins in one hand
 11. Tell me which rein controls the pace of the pony
 12. Maintain a correct position when riding up and down hills
 13. Maintain a correct position when riding a course of jumps up to 2ft 3 in height
 14. Know what bit your pony is wearing, name it and describe how it works
 15. Ride safely on the road in pairs and groups
 16. Tell me whose instructions must be obeyed when riding on the roads
 17. Tell me what you should carry with you when you are riding out on the roads and on tracks
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Horse and Pony Care

1. Have passed the previous award (Gold 1 Care)
 2. Tell me what a pony living at grass needs in terms of:
 1. Field size
 2. Fencing
 3. Shelter
 4. Quality of grazing
 5. Food and water
 3. Recognise good and bad stabling, tell me the difference
 4. Tell me why it's important to keep a stabled pony well exercised. What might happen if you don't?
 5. Tell me the rules of watering and why water is important
 6. Tell me the reasons for grooming and how to groom a grass kept pony
 7. Identify a variety of rugs and tell me what you would use them for
 8. Tell me why we might put on stable or travelling bandages
 9. Know the name of the external parts of the foot
 10. Name a selection of farriers' tools
 11. Tell me the signs that a pony needs re-shoeing
 12. Tell me what you would look for to check a saddle and a bridle for safety
 13. Check a saddle and a bridle for safety
 14. Tell me the signs of good and bad health
 15. Tell me how you would stop a wound from bleeding
 16. Tell me how you would nurse a sick pony, what are the rules?
 17. Tell me how you would hose a wound
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