

# PONY CLUB



**THE PONY CLUB**  
TEST SHEET  
2023

## **E STANDARD**

Member may be accompanied by an adult helper  
This test can be taken on or off the lead rein  
This test is not compulsory

### **OBJECTIVES**

- To enjoy learning about ponies
- To be safe near ponies
- To understand what a pony needs to be happy
- To be confident both on and around ponies
- To know the basic points of the pony

### **SAFETY**

1. Wear a riding hat with a Pony Club tag
2. Wear boots or shoes with a heel (not trainers or wellies)
3. Know how to walk safely around a pony
4. When riding, know how and why to leave a safe distance from the pony in front
5. Describe how a pony might behave if they were nervous about something

### **RIDING**

5. Sit on a pony in halt and at walk
6. Hold the reins correctly
7. With help, carry out physical exercises such as:
  - a. Touch parts of the pony (mane, neck, tail, etc.)
  - b. Ride the pony away from the assessor at walk, turn around a cone, and go back to the assessor
  - c. Show trot (rising is not necessary) on the leading rein
  - d. Stop at a named point
  - e. Stand in the stirrups

## **PONY CARE**

8. Know the name and colour of the pony they are riding
9. Give two examples of things that a pony needs:
  - a. Water
  - b. Grass and/or hay
  - c. Shelter from sun, rain, and wind
  - d. Other pony friends
  - e. Daily time in a field
10. Recognise:
  - a. Saddle
  - b. Bridle
  - c. Mane
  - d. Tail
  - e. Ears
  - f. Eyes
  - g. Mouth
  - h. Legs
  - i. Hooves
11. Feed a pony a carrot safely

**Recommended Minimum age: 4 years**

**Felt Colour: Pale yellow**

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