## **HEALTH & SAFETY RULES**



## Ponies are large and unpredictable animals, please take every possible care and precaution to ensure the safety of yourself and others at all times.

The Exmoor Pony Society do not accept liability for any loss of property or any accident or damage to any animal, vehicle, spectator or exhibitor, and all the entries are accepted subject to this condition. **Competitors & owners MUST have their own third party public liability insurance.** 

Stallions may only be handled by experienced and competent people over the age of 14 years.

No trotting, cantering or galloping on the show ground except in designated warm up areas.

Horses & ponies should not be tied to horse boxes or trailers and horses/ponies should never be left unattended.

Riding hats which comply with the current safety standard must be worn *at all times* when mounted and we strongly recommend that hard hats are worn when leading all horses & ponies. All children under 16 years of age must wear hard hats when handling horses & ponies. Appropriate footwear must be worn at all times.

No child under 16 years of age may compete without an accompanying adult.

All lone competitors must report to the Show Secretary and provide an emergency contact number.

It is forbidden to ride one horse/pony and lead another or to lead more than one horse/pony at any time.

No competitor may continue to compete following a fall of the horse or rider.

All gates must be kept closed at all times.

Horses & ponies must never be taken into pedestrian walkways.

Dogs must be kept on short leads at all times.

Spectators and other pedestrians must take care when negotiating the showground and use designated pedestrian walkways & viewing areas where provided. Extra care must be taken with children and pushchairs.

First aid contacts will be displayed on notices around the showground or first aiders can be contacted by the Show Secretary. All accidents & injuries must be reported to the Show Secretary and logged in the accident book. **In case of emergency call 999.**