

CENTRAL ONTARIO REGION PONY CLUB DRESS CODE

Loyalty

Character

Sportsmanship

The Canadian Pony Club strives to build loyalty, character and sportsmanship in all its members. The Central Ontario Region Pony Clubs ask that all their members and volunteers keep these goals in mind while participating at any level – learning, competing and testing. To this end, the CPC Code of Ethics and the COR Dress Code are to be followed. Note: please check discipline rules for specific rules.

All clothing should be tidy and show respect for the clinician, examiner or judge and above all, be safe. Medical armbands will be worn by all members while at any Pony Club activity and should be properly filled out and updated regularly. Suitable footwear such as riding boots or paddock boots is expected at all times. Running shoes and sandals are not acceptable. No undergarments, midriffs or cleavage should be visible. It is strongly recommended that facial or body piercings should be removed or taped for the duration of the event. Long dangling jewellery should be removed and long hair should be neatly tied back. Turn out judges may deduct points for untidy or inappropriate dress.

For Stable Management:

Breeches and boots are not necessary but tidy jeans, pants or hemmed shorts and a neat shirt are expected. Club shirts are recommended. Shoulders of any top must be at least 3 fingers wide. Gloves and a helmet should be available in case they are needed, but do not need to be worn.

For Riding:

Riding helmets will be worn fastened at all times while mounted, and are to meet ASTM/SEI or BSI standards. Medical armbands will be worn on the arm at all times while riding. The Pony Club pin and disk will be worn at competitions and tests both in stable management and while riding on the flat and over stadium fences. Note: NO pins will be worn on cross country. Long hair should be tied back but is not recommended to be put up under the helmet as this can change how it the helmet fits. Riding pants and a shirt with sleeves will be worn. If show jackets are excused at horse shows or testing in hot weather, sleeved shirts must be worn. Shirts should be light in colour and worn with the appropriate tie: stock tie and pin, dress tie and fastener, or choker collar without pin. Half chaps are acceptable while riding except where competition rules specify, but are expected to be a dark colour and without decoration. Gloves are strongly recommended at all times and should be worn when riding cross country to protect the hands and keep a secure grip. Spurs, if worn, will be carried until ready to mount and removed after dismounting.

Safety vests are strongly suggested while on cross country and are permitted if desired at any time while riding.