

NORTHFIELD LICENSED RIDE

APPLICATION PACK

Northfield Licensed Ride

The Northfield Ride has been set up by the Northfield Management Committee to allow off road riding for local horse riders. There will be one access via a keyed gate in Church Road. Membership will be restricted to 50 riders. To take advantage of this facility it will be necessary to apply for membership of Northfield Ride.

Included in this pack are the rules and regulations which will apply to the Ride and an application form. It will cost £15 to enrol. You must also have public liability insurance. We can only accept cash, or cheques if accompanied by a cheque guarantee card. Cheques should be made payable to 'Northfield Management Committee'.

When the application form has been completed it should be taken to Ash Green Sports Centre along with your payment, 2 passport size photos, the original copy of your insurance document or a Gold BHS membership card with photo-copies of these (both sides of card) for us to keep on file.

The sports centre personnel will then issue the key and bridle tag which you can either collect by prior arrangement with them, or alternatively it can be posted only if you provide a stamped addressed envelope with the correct amount of postage.

If you wish to continue this membership for the next year, you must return your old key and tag to Ash Green Sports Centre. You will also need a copy of your current insurance for public liability or BHS Gold Card, and £5.00. You will then receive your key and tag for the current year.

RIDING REGULATIONS FOR NORTHFIELD RIDE

1. I agree to keep to the marked route as shown on the map, marked in red. The riding route is marked on the north, east and west boundaries approximately 5 - 8m from the hedge. The space adjacent to the hedge is only for walkers and their dogs (if any). The route to the south round the open hay field is mown in the hay field on the other side of the footpath to the play area. The ride through New House Shaw is between trees marked with horseshoes. Riders should be aware that they are sharing the route with walkers in the woodland areas.
2. I agree to wear a properly fitted and British Standard Approved riding hat at all times, and to ensure that the horse/pony being ridden is properly tacked up for riding with sound tack.
3. I agree to wear the identification required and to carry the key at all times.
4. I agree that all locked gates must be relocked with the gate left shut immediately after use.
5. I agree not to erect or use any jump on the route.
6. I agree to notify the designated person of any problems encountered e.g. fallen branches, posts/notices vandalised etc.
7. Riders under 16 years must be accompanied by an adult either on horseback or on foot.
8. I agree to ride no faster than a canter on the route.
9. I agree whilst riding on Northfield:-
 - a) To observe NMC bylaws
 - b) To enter and leave only at authorised points and close and lock all gates after passage
 - c) To show courtesy and consideration to all other users of Northfield
 - d) To comply with any direction given by a NMC Officer or their authorised representative
 - e) To avoid any area in which there are felling operations
 - f) Not to ride in any part in which " No Riding " signs have been erected.
 - g) To take particular care when crossing footpaths.

Application for Membership of the Northfield Licensed Ride.

Rules and conditions of Membership

I hereby apply for membership to ride a horse/pony on the Northfield Licensed Ride which has been designated by Northfield Management Committee (NMC) as suitable for riding. I accept and agree that this membership will be personal to me (or the child for whom I am applying) and will not be transferable. I will undertake not to give or lend the Northfield Ride bridle tag and key to any other person. I will return the bridle tag and key immediately if I wish to discontinue the membership.

I will remain liable for the Membership Fee on any key and bridle tag held in my possession until they are returned to Northfield Licensed Ride. The child and/or I will comply with the Riding Regulations as set out below.

I am aware and accept that:-

Northfield Ride facilities will only be open during daylight hours;

NMC reserve the right to close or restrict the horse riding route for land management or other purposes;

Northfield Ride may be closed during extreme or prolonged wet weather.

It is advisable to carry a mobile phone for emergency use at all times.

There are no facilities for parking vehicles and/or unboxing horses.

I agree that Northfield Management Committee is not responsible for the safety or condition of any part of the route and that the child and/or I will ride entirely at our own risk and will rely only on our inspection of the terrain.

I will indemnify NMC against any claim made by myself or by or on behalf of the child in respect of any injury, loss or damage suffered by the child or myself while riding on the Northfield Ride or by any person arising out of my or my child's riding.

I understand that any membership to ride issued pursuant to this application will not be valid or effective if either the membership fee has not been paid up to the date when it became due or if the horse/rider is not wearing the appropriate bridle tag or other means of identification currently in force.

I have and will maintain adequate public liability insurance to cover any claims arising out of riding by myself or the child on the Northfield Ride.

I agree that by riding on Northfield Ride the child or I will not claim any legal Right of Way over the land on which we will be riding and will only ride as membership holders of the Northfield Ride.

I understand that this agreement is without prejudice to any evidence for a public right of way in any current or future existence.

The child and/or I will accept the decision of NMC if any complaint is made about our use of the Northfield Ride.

I accept that Northfield Management Committee are entitled to withdraw the membership and identification at any time upon giving me notice thereof in writing.

Application for Membership of Northfield Ride

Name and address of applicant.

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms (full name please) _____

Date of Birth (if under 16):- _____

Address:- _____

Postcode:- _____

Tel No.:- _____ Mobile:- _____

E-Mail:- _____

Emergency contact number: _____

Horse stabled at: _____

Insurance Company Name:- _____

Policy Number:- _____

Or, BHS membership gold card Number: _____

I hereby apply for membership of the Northfield Ride. I have read the attached rules and regulations and agree to accept and abide by them.

I enclose cash/cheque number _____ for the sum of £15

Signed:- _____

Parent /Guardian of:- _____

(If applicant is 16 or under)

