

Pony Club Association of South Australia

Technical Criteria Document 2009-2010

Patch: 40km distance ride

Candidate Name		Date	
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Item	How the Rider must Present	C	NYC	Examiner Notes
Wear pony club uniform	Pony club uniform [polo shirt, not shirt and tie], and as per pony club rules for rallies.			
	Clean boots (as permitted by the rules).			
	The helmet must be of current standard and correctly fitted.			
	The rider must not be wearing any jewellery (except per the rules).			
Turnout of Mount	Presented in condition fit enough to do the ride without stress. Clean and tidy and feet in good condition, preferably shod within the fortnight prior to the ride.			
Safety wear	Clean and well fitting with emphasis on comfort of horse. Extra saddlecloth to change at break if needed; To comply with pony club rules as for rallies. Carrying a hoof pick recommended.			

Item	What the Rider must Know	C	NYC	Examiner Notes
Preparation for the ride	Candidate to present an account, either written or verbal, of the preparation of the horse for the ride, showing an understanding of feed and work required for the level of fitness needed for satisfactory completion.			

Item	What the Rider must demonstrate	C	NYC	Examiner Notes
The day of the ride	The ride to be completed in a time of not more than 4 hrs, with a compulsory break at or near the half way mark of half an hour.			Horse checks to be done by responsible official appointed by club.
	Rider to demonstrate understanding of pace and conditions[i.e., using the good going to make up time for areas where slower pace is indicated]			.
	When the rider comes in at the break and the end of the ride overall condition of the horse to be checked. Before the rider goes out after the break and half an hour after coming in at the end of the ride the horses heart rate to be checked and it must be below 55bpm. If not the rider does not continue [at the break] or have the ride qualify [if at the end]			Horse checks to be done by responsible official appointed by club.
	Appropriate care of the horse [depending on weather conditions etc] to be demonstrated at the break and at the end of the ride. Rider may have a helper for this but must take responsibility for what is done.			

Examined By		Date	