

Horses are powerful animals - but they are vulnerable, easily frightened, and can panic around fast moving cars. PLEASE SLOW DOWN when you see horses on the road!

Horse Rider Safety Information and Tips for Safer Motoring around Horses

- Watch out for horses being led or ridden on the road, taking extra care at left-hand bends or on narrow country roads
 - Drive very slowly past horses
 - Give them plenty of room and be ready to stop
 - Do not scare animals by sounding your horn or revving your engine
 - Look out for riders' signals and be aware that they may not move to the centre of the road prior to turning right
 - Horses and ponies are often being ridden by children, so take extra care
- Treat horses as a potential hazard, and expect the unexpected!

Mutual courtesy and care between motorists and riders is important to prevent intolerance and improve safety. Always acknowledging a courtesy does make a difference, even if a wave of acknowledgement is not always possible for the rider when sometimes two hands are needed to keep control.

We work with the 'British Horse Society' and the 'Pony Club' to promote courses, and our Road Safety officers examine the "on road" element of the horse tests. See the useful links below.

We also promote safety equipment for all road users, which includes high visibility wear for horse riders.

More information can be obtained from:

The National Road Safety Officer
The British Horse Society
Stoneleigh Deer Park Kenilworth
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