**14. ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES (ATVS), QUAD BIKES AND MOTORCYCLES**

The use of ATVs, quad bikes and motorcycles poses significant risks. Prior permission from the organiser must be obtained before using any of these vehicles. Any use must be documented in a specific risk assessment and these guidelines must be followed:

* Drivers must be aged 17 years or over (unless especially agreed with the Insurers)
* Only officials of the event with experience of driving a car, motorbike or tractor and who have received instruction and training in the use of ATVs or motorcycles should ride or drive them. Drivers must have received adequate training for the vehicle they are driving (ensure this is recorded and signed by the trainer and participant)
* They should not be operated by any person who does not hold a full UK driving licence or is disqualified from holding or obtaining a full UK driving licence.
* Passengers should not be carried unless the ATV or motorcycle is specifically designed to accommodate them.
* The vehicle should be maintained in good condition and be in a fully serviceable state.
* A helmet (compliant to current standards) must be worn by the rider or driver at all times and loose clothing and shorts should be avoided.
* Drivers must avoid any sudden increase in speed and should stay at low speeds appropriate for the terrain and proximity to spectators and horses.

The use of any unauthorised vehicles is not permitted at the event.

The Pony Club Public Liability Insurance provides indemnity to The Pony Club in respect of legal liability for injury or damage, provided the above guidelines are followed. However, this insurance only comes into effect if there is no other insurance in force which could provide cover. Owners of motorcycles requiring compulsory insurance under the Road Traffic Acts should note that claims involving their motorcycles would fall under their individual policies. It is recommended that such owners advise their insurer of the use of their motorcycle at events.