

Accreditation of Prior Learning (APL) for Safeguarding Courses



The Pony Club considers the safety and enjoyment of young people whilst participating in any horse sport to be paramount. The Pony Club recognises that it has a duty of care towards young people and adults at risk. The BEF Safeguarding for Equestrians workshop, offered by The Pony Club, has been designed to raise awareness of these issues within the equine industry as well as to provide detailed guidance on what to do if certain situations arise.

If you have attended a BEF safeguarding workshop or a SportsCoach UK course, you do not have to use this form as those two courses are automatically recognised by The Pony Club as being suitable for the purposes of coaching or volunteering within The Pony Club. However, it is important to acknowledge coaches' and volunteers' prior learning and consider relevant environments that they may have worked in previously, and this prior learning may be accepted as a suitable alternative to the two courses named above. The following APL procedure is applicable for all those applying for all roles within The Pony Club, including UKCC qualifications, volunteer roles and coaching roles, who hold safeguarding qualifications which are not the BEF Safeguarding workshop or a SportsCoach UK course.

Documented evidence (e.g. relevant certificates) must be provided and must satisfy the following procedure:

- To have been undertaken within the previous three years.
- To have been of three hours in duration or more.
- To have considerable focus of child protection in sport (preferably equine) context.
- To include details of the course content

Examples of some courses we may accept include:

- NSPCC Safeguarding and Awareness course
- Local Safeguarding Child Board Awareness course
- The relevant Horse Scotland or Northern Ireland courses may also be acceptable

Please provide the name and address of one person (not relative) who will provide a reference regarding your experience of, and suitability for, working with children. Please see examples below:

- An employer or parent where you have instructed a young person (under eighteen years of age).
- An employer where your job description includes working with children unsupervised, such as social worker, teacher or paediatric nurse.

You must also download the BEF Safeguarding Equestrian Sport Policy, which is available on the BEF website <http://www.pcuk.org/index.php/safeguarding/>.

Application Form for Accreditation of Prior Learning (APL) for Safeguarding

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

Membership number: _____

Evidence provided (please list and include detail of course content)

Relevant qualifications and training (please include certificates)

Referee Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email: _____

Position: _____

I have included: (tick boxes as appropriate)

Evidence

Referee contact details

I have downloaded the Pony Club Safeguarding Policy

Signature: _____

Please return by email to enquiries@pcuk.org, with a copy of your certificate and hand-out/presentation (if applicable).