



Horse Riding Permit Application Form – 2017/18

OFFICE USE ONLY:		
Permit No:	Payment method: CHQ no:	Date:

Please send the completed form to:
The Ashdown Forest Centre, Wych Cross, Forest Row, RH18 5JP or email conservators @ashdownforest.org

If you have any enquires, contact our office on 01342 823583

1. Your details

First name: Last name:

Address:.....

..... Postcode:

Telephone number: Email:..... Horsebox registration:

Details of livery stable (if applicable):

Names of all authorised riders (including grooms/livery staff):.....

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2. Membership type - please tick

Current Ashdown Forest Riding Association (AFRA) member yes no

I enclose my AFRA membership card (please tick)

Adult annual £120 / AFRA discount £99

Adult winter – from 1 October £72 / AFRA discount £60

Child annual £60 / AFRA discount £51

Child winter – from 1 October £38 / AFRA discount £32

Please note that disabled riders are not eligible for a discount but a carer can qualify for a free permit on condition that documentary confirmation of your disability (Blue Badge or a letter from the Department of Work and Pensions) should be enclosed with your application. The carer permit would only be valid when accompanying the disabled rider on the Forest.

Total to pay: £.....

3. Method of Payment - please tick

Payment by cheque made payable to The Conservators of Ashdown Forest

Payment by cash

Payment by Credit or Debit card

Card number:

Expiry Date: (mm/yy) / Security code: (3 digit number on the back of the card)

4. Terms and conditions

I enclose a copy of the current certificate of insurance – with a minimum of £5 million third party public liability (please tick)

I enclose my riding permit from last year (please tick) Not applicable – new application

I have read and agree to the Riding Regulations and Riding Code of Conduct – detailed overleaf (please tick)

Signed:.....

Date:.....

STAFF TO COMPLETE

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Total paid: £..... Date paid:.....

Permit number:

To be retained by purchaser as proof of purchase.

RIDING REGULATIONS and CODE OF CONDUCT

The Conservators of Ashdown Forest reserve the right to suspend permits for breach of the Riding Regulations. Permit badge must always be displayed on the horse where it can be seen easily by Forest Rangers. It is in your interest to do so. Any rider found not to be displaying a permit will be asked to leave the Forest.

Riding *is* permitted on:

- fire breaks – these are the unmarked tracks across the Forest, cut and maintained to a width of more than 9 metres (30 feet). Please note these tracks are rough terrain and can be crossed by drainage ditches.
- riding tracks – these may be narrower than 9 metres and marked with Ashdown Forest signs. Please note these tracks are rough terrain and can be crossed by drainage ditches.

Fire breaks and riding tracks can be slippery when wet, please take care.

You may *not* ride

- across heathland unless on one of the above fire-breaks or tracks
- on footpaths or any unmarked narrow track
- through car parks except those designated as Horse Box parking (see below)
- on tracks and roads leading to private properties or the fire breaks surrounding private properties
- over recreation grounds or on the Royal Ashdown Forest Golf Club courses

Please

- Help protect the Forest by varying routes, by avoiding wet and badly eroded areas, by keeping to the permitted fire breaks and tracks and by keeping out of the sensitive heather areas;
- Close all gates into / out of the grazing area to protect livestock;
- Be aware of the rough and sometimes slippery nature of the terrain and remember that drainage ditches cross tracks;
- Be considerate and courteous to all other Forest users and give dog walkers time to put their dogs on the lead;
- Report all incidents as detailed below or any matter that you feel is worrying or important;
- When cantering ensure other Forest users are aware you are coming and give them a chance to move away;
- Encourage other riders to follow this Code of Conduct and obey the Riding Regulations;
- Adhere to the marked road crossings

Only the following Forest car parks may be used for horse boxes:

- Box (see bottom of page), Stonehill Road, Nutley (C3) - **closed to boxes on Remembrance Sunday**
- Blackhill, Friars Gate Road (B2188)
- Long, south of Wych Cross (A22)
- Twyford and Broadstone are for AFRA members only

Please help us by calling 01342 822846 as soon as possible if you see injured or distressed livestock (including deer), incidents of sheep worrying, lost or out of control dogs, fires, fly-tipping or any other incident that you feel may be important.

If you have information about people abusing the Riding Regulations or Code of Conduct, for example those who are riding without a permit or acting in an unsafe or irresponsible manner or causing damage to the heather areas call us on 01342 822846

Riders use the Forest at their own risk.