

The riding permit is given to the **Permit holder** to lead or ride a horse on Commission land, subject to the following conditions.

- The bridle tag is to be displayed on the horse at all times when you are riding/leading the horse in the forest and show it to any FC representative on request.
- The permit only allows you to ride on roads or routes within the forest suitable for the riding of horses.
- The permit does not permit you to ride in any parts of the forest closed off for operational reasons, for example, timber felling. You must comply with any instruction issued by any FC representative or displayed on any notice board.
- You must take care not to cause any disturbance/damage to agricultural livestock and crops.
- You must shut behind you any gates you find closed.
- The permit does not permit you to ride in connection with any commercial activity, other than those holding commercial riding permits.
- The permit may be terminated by FC at any time in which case it must be surrendered to FC. If termination is for a reason other than your failure to comply with any condition of this permit or of any of the Forestry Commission Byelaws, FC will refund you an appropriate proportion of the fee paid.
- FC also reserves the right to alter or add to conditions of this permit at any time. You will be informed in writing of any such changes.
- No term of this permit shall be enforceable, by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third parties) Act 1999, by any person who is not party to this permit.
- The permit holder will advise the Commission within 24 hours of the end of any accident to a participant or third party which arises as a result of the exercise of this permission.
- You must pay compensation to FC for any damage caused to its property by you. You must also indemnify FC against third party liabilities caused by your acts or omissions. You are accordingly recommended to carry appropriate third party liability insurance.
- The permit holder will ensure the Forestry Commission Byelaws are observed, except as expressly authorised by this agreement. A copy of the Byelaws will be supplied on request by the Forest District Manager. In particular the Permit holder will also ensure:
 - There is no smoking or lighting of fires
 - All gates are left in the position as found
 - Reasonable care is taken to prevent disturbance to wild fauna and flora and to agricultural livestock.
 - Compliance with any instructions issued by the Forest District Manager or his authorised representative, as attached in the Schedule to this permission or given verbally.
- As the forest areas subject to this permission are also used by certain other parties, it is necessary in the interests of management of the forest for such third parties to notify you of events that may affect or restrict your use of the forest. In these circumstances the Forestry Commission will disclose your details to certain other forest users for this purpose only.

In the interests of safety the Forestry Commission strongly recommends that you carry a mobile phone and first aid kit and leave details of the mobile number, route and expected return time with a friend, relative or responsible person.

I confirm I have read and understood the conditions of issue. Please return completed form and payment to: Forestry Commission, Queen's House, Lyndhurst, Hants SO43 7NH

Signed **Date**