

Pony Club Association of South Australia

Technical Criteria Document 2011

Patch: Grooming (This patch may be taught/tested by any Pony Club qualified instructor)

Club Officials should be completely satisfied that the Pony Club rider has over a period of time (suggested no less than 6 months) consistently presented their Pony Club Mount in a manner that indicates thorough grooming before testing for the Grooming Achievement Patch.

This should include the feet which must show evidence of regular care, oiling, trimming, shoeing etc. It is not expected that the Pony Club mount should be clean to the skin and indeed this is not generally encouraged in Pony Club. However it is expected that the rider consistently presents with a clean, well cared for mount.

Candidate Name		Date	
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Item	How the Rider must Present	C	NYC	Examiner Notes
Wear pony club uniform	Pony club uniform as per pony club rules for rallies.			
	Clean boots (as permitted by the rules).			
	The helmet must be of current standard and correctly fitted.			
	The rider must not be wearing any jewellery (except as per the rules).			
Turnout of Mount	Clean and tidy and feet in good condition.			
Mount	Mount to be suitable for demonstrating basic grooming.			

Item	What the Rider must Know	C	NYC	Examiner Notes
Rider must know the basic items for a grooming kit and what they are used for.	Identify or name the basic items required for a grooming kit.			Hoof pick, body brush, dandy brush, mane/tail comb, curry comb.
	Identify what each item is used for.			
	Explain how to clean/care for brushes.			
	Show knowledge of the basic reasons for thorough grooming.			

Item	What the Rider must demonstrate	C	NYC	Examiner Notes
Rider must be able to show how the basic grooming items are used.	Use hoof pick correctly			
	Use body brush correctly			
	Use dandy brush correctly			
	Use mane/tail comb correctly			
	Use curry comb correctly			

Examined By		Date	