

# **RideFauquier**

## **Code of Conduct**

The following **Code of Conduct** has been formulated to insure that no rider will abuse the privilege of riding or hiking across private or public property. When you join RideFauquier, you agree to follow all of our codes of conduct which include:

1.     **THE RIGHTS OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS, ACROSS WHOSE LAND WE ARE PERMITTED TO RIDE/HIKE, MUST BE RESPECTED AT ALL TIMES**  
Remember that you are a guest on the land. When you meet landowners, be courteous and let them know how much you appreciate the pleasure they are providing you. One irresponsible person can cause the closing of a trail.
2.     **DISPLAY YOUR I.D. WHEN ON THE TRAILS**  
You must display your parking permit on your vehicle dashboard and wear your trail pass in a visible location at all times when on the trails.
3.     **RIDE ON DESIGNATED TRAILS ONLY**  
Riders must not wander from marked trails and must stay close to the edge of any fields. Do not use any landowner's schooling facilities, jumps, rings, training tracks, playing fields, *etc.* You **MUST** respect any **TRAIL CLOSED** signs.
4.     **TRAILS ARE OPEN FROM SUNRISE TO SUNSET ONLY TO HORSEBACK RIDERS WHO ARE MEMBERS OF RIDEFAUQUIER and Who Have Current Trail Passes and Parking Permits**  
Check emails and Facebook for trail closures before going to the trails.
5.     **PLEASE REPORT ANY DAMAGE OR REPAIRS NEEDED To a Member of the RideFauquier Board of Directors**
6.     **BE THOUGHTFUL OF LANDOWNER'S PRIVACY**  
Wave as you pass houses whether or not you can see anyone and when you see someone working on the land. Dress appropriately and keep voices down. Walk your horse down any driveway or trail that passes close to a house or by any pasture where you may disturb livestock.
7.     **ALWAYS APPROACH OTHER RIDERS AT A WALK and If Asked, Pass At a Walk**
8.     **RIDING HELMETS ARE REQUIRED on County/RideFauquier-managed property**
9.     **CURRENT NEGATIVE COGGINS ARE REQUIRED**  
A copy of a current negative Coggins test drawn within one year must be carried with any horse on the trails or in a parking area.
10.    **NO SMOKING ON THE TRAILS**
11.    **NO RIDING IS ALLOWED ON THE TRAILS WHEN THEY ARE WET AND MUDDY**  
If you leave marks more than an inch deep, you must turn around and go a different way. If you would not ride across your own front lawn, it is too wet to use the trails.
12.    **LEAVE YOUR DOGS AT HOME**
13.    **NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE ALLOWED ON THE TRAILS OR IN THE PARKING AREAS**
14.    **NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES ARE ALLOWED ON THE TRAILS, Except During Maintenance Activities**
15.    **KEEP THE PARKING AREAS CLEAN**  
You must pack out from the parking areas all manure and hay as well as all trash.

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