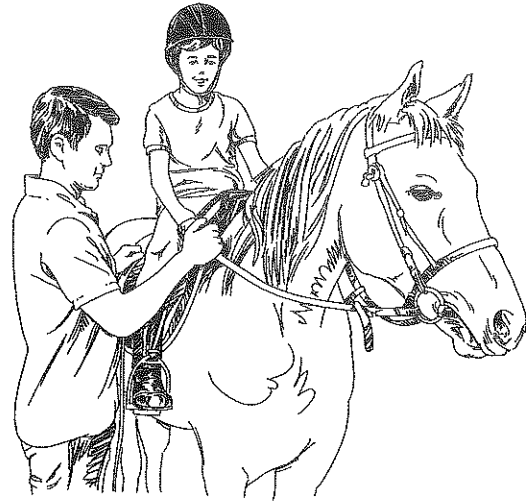
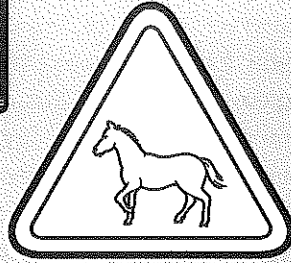
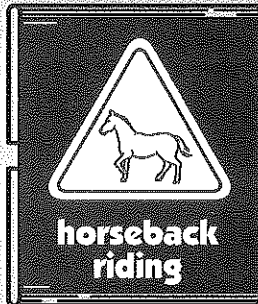


# Cub Scout Sports: Horseback Riding



## REQUIREMENTS

Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, and Webelos Scouts may complete requirements in a family, den, pack, school, or community environment. Tiger Cubs must work with their parents or adult partners. Parents and partners do not earn loops or pins.

### Belt Loop

Complete these three requirements:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Explain five safety precautions for when you are near a horse.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. With help from an experienced horse handler, demonstrate how to safely mount and ride a horse and then how to safely dismount the horse.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Go on a supervised horseback ride for at least 20 minutes. Wear an approved helmet (such as one approved for horseback riding by the ASTM, or American Society for Testing and Materials).

### Sports Pin

Earn the Horseback Riding belt loop and complete five of the following requirements:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Learn about three famous horses. Explain why these horses were well-known.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Using pictures of these different animals, explain to your den or family the difference between a horse, pony, mule, and donkey.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Explain how a horse is measured and what a "hand" equals when measuring a horse.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Using a picture, point out these main parts of a horse: forehead, muzzle, mane, withers, point of hip, knee, hoof, and root of tail.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Describe three different breeds of horses and explain what feature makes each breed special.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Using photos or pictures you have drawn, explain to your den or family at least three different ways that horses can help us.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Name five things healthy for a horse's diet.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Tell why it is important to wear an approved riding helmet when you go horseback riding.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Photograph or draw a picture of the saddle you used for the ride you took to earn the belt loop.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. With your parent or adult partner, visit a veterinarian who cares for horses. Write the answers to three questions you ask him or her.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. Spend at least 15 minutes before and after your ride getting to know your horse by talking calmly to it and stroking it slowly.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. Go on a supervised horseback ride for at least 30 minutes. Dress appropriately and show that you can safely mount and dismount the horse.