

Job Specification: Weekend Yard Assistant and Riding Instructor at Wirral Riding Centre

Key Responsibilities:

- Mucking/skipping out
- Sweeping the yard
- General tidiness of the yard
- Keeping allocated areas tidy such as the feed room, tack room and storage areas

The role of horse care can vary depending on experience, but may involve:

- Grooming
- Turning out or bringing in from the field
- Tacking up, untacking and taking care of tack
- Leading in and out of arenas
- Organising and assisting other instructions with lesson preparation
- Assisting customers (this role may vary but could include answering the phone or serving customers in the office)
- Supporting riders (this role may vary but could include leading Pony Management or leading horses/ponies for riding lessons)

The role of instructing can vary depending on experience, but may involve:

- Preparing and teaching 1-1 lessons that match the experience and ability of the rider and horse or pony
- Preparing and teaching group lessons that match the experience and ability of the rider and horse or pony
- Willingness to progress onto and/or through to BHS qualifications

Essential Skills and Qualifications:

- Excellent communication skills
- Passion for working with horses
- Patience and empathy towards horses
- The ability to multitask
- Flexibility
- The ability to plan and teach progressive lessons
- The ability to be able to work as part of a team
- Qualified to at least British Horse Society Stage 1 (further training can be provided)

Desirable Skills and Qualifications:

- BHS Stages 2 or above
- Equine experience
- Safeguarding training (inc Prevent and/or Safer Recruitment)

Wirral Riding Centre is committed to the highest standards of safeguarding and promoting the safety and welfare of our young people and expects the same level of commitment from all staff.

This post is subject to references and an Enhanced Level DBS check