

**Back Country Horsemen of New
Mexico Ride Rules & Trail Etiquette
2018**

1. No stallions or intact jacks are allowed on trail rides.
2. Keep your equine one animal length behind others.
3. Equines that are known kickers must have a red ribbon tied to their tail or tack that is visible from the rear.
4. Do not stop unnecessarily. If a stop is necessary, move off to the side of the trail, and advise the trail boss that you are stopping.
5. Stay behind the Trail Boss at all times.
6. Do not lag behind the group; stay in front of the drag rider and with the rider in front within sight.
7. Do not run or trot up behind another animal.
8. Pack animals must be under control and on a lead rope.
9. When passing, advise the riders in front of your intention. Pass at a walk.
10. Stay on designated trails.
11. Riding double is not permitted.
12. Ride single file in hazardous areas.
13. Dogs are not allowed on trail rides.
14. If you bring it in, you pack it out.
15. Leave all gates as you found them.
16. No smoking on the trail.

These minimal ride rules are to ensure that every rider has a safe, enjoyable ride. There are numerous other rules that could be listed, but if common sense is used, they are not needed.