

Glendale Equestrian Club Trail Ride Rules

1. Each ride will have a designated Trail Boss and one or more drag riders. These persons are responsible for everyone's safety and enjoyment on the ride. Stay with the group, behind the leader, and in front of the drag rider(s). The Trail Boss must stop the ride if a rider needs to dismount and he WILL NOT restart the ride until all riders are remounted.
2. Proper equipment should be used on all trail rides for the safety of the horse and rider. Also on all rides that keep the club on the trail past 12:00 noon all riders should bring a trail lunch.
3. Stay on the trail. Do not cut corners. When the trail permits, side by side riding will provide an opportunity for conversation. Do not speed past or up behind another horse, and never pass in dangerous terrain. When necessary to pass the horse in front of you, call out your intentions.
4. Warn others of hazards on the trail. When stopping on the trail, stop clear of other horses and advise the trail boss and other riders why you need to stop. Do not stop on inclines or declines, or in thick cholla. The Trail Boss will stop the ride until all riders are remounted and ready to go.
5. ANY HORSE WILL KICK. A red ribbon tied to a horse's tail lets others know it is a known kicker. Maintain a safe distance between horses. Stay at least one horse length between your horse and the horse in front, 2 - 3 horse lengths on hills.
6. NO -- stallions will be allowed on any ride.
7. No -- Dogs on Trail Rides, All Dogs must be on a leash at all times, No Dogs at the lunches or dinner areas of the GEC campouts / rides.
8. NO -- animals are to be ponied on any ride, this includes but is not limited to horses, ponies, mules, donkeys or burros.
9. NO -- alcohol of any kind are allowed on the trail.
10. NO -- firearms are to be carried on the trail, except for law enforcement personnel authorized and those persons by the Trail Boss or Ride Master.
11. NO -- littering of any kind. When possible all riders should see that the trail is left cleaner than it was before the ride.
12. Forest Service Rules will apply on all rides concerning "SMOKING".
13. Due to the club's liability exposure, only GEC members in good standing are allowed on club rides. However, we welcome and encourage guests. A one day trial "club membership" is available for a nominal fee, currently five dollars (\$5.00), to accommodate invited guests and prospective members. All riders MUST have a signed Glendale Equestrian Club Liability Form on file with the

Club Secretary or Ride Master. Each Children under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

14. Members in good standing (dues current) are the only ones that are allow to ride and/or eat for free.

15. Members that bring a guest on a ride are responsible for their \$5.00 Ride Fee, \$5.00 Meal Fee and the \$5.00 Poker Fee. Fees are to be paid to the ride leader. A guest is anyone that does not pay dues.

16. Club guest, riders that are not sponsored by a member, that decide to ride with us after they have heard about us via; The Bridle and Bit articles, a website viewing, or a word of month referral, they too must be treated as a guest and the Ride Leader will be responsible for collecting the fees as described in paragraph #2.

17. Rides will be graded on a one to five basis to let the riders be prepared for safer trail riding and to determine if they or their horse is qualified. Each trail boss shall grade the ride and let the secretary know prior to sending out the newsletter.

The Glendale Equestrian Club, GEC Riders reserve the right change the "Glendale Equestrian Club Trail Ride Rules" at any time, in any way, without notice. Last revised and posted April 2012, please check our web site, www.GECRiders.com, for the latest revisions.