

RANCHO CALIFORNIA HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION "ETIQUETTE RULES"

We have developed these rules of trail etiquette based on input from many members over the years. They are for the safety of all, so please mind them so everyone is safe! Thanks!

- 1. No drinking while on the trail ride. Nor will riders be allowed to join the ride if they are already inebriated.**
- 2. Under no circumstances is anyone to pass the Trail Boss unless He/She has given permission to do so. For the safety of horse and rider, all group rides are ridden at a "DOG WALK". This also means NO loping or running on the trail. Make sure you and your horse can comply with this rule.**
- 3. No Dogs**
- 4. No Ponying**
- 5. No Stallions**
- 6. Red Ribbon on tail of horses known to kick**
- 7. Do not pass another horse on the trail without permission of the rider, and then only when safe to do so.**
- 8. Maintain a horse length behind the horse in front of you. Do not lag behind the group and then lope to catch up.**
- 9. On very steep climbs or descents, it is proper to wait for a clear distance for safety.**
- 10. Do not stop or hesitate when reaching a peak, mountain pass or saddle. Continue on and spread out to the side of the trail, leaving room for the trailing riders to clear pass.**
- 11. No littering or smoking on trails—please PACK IT IN-PACK IT OUT!**
- 12. If you must stop, state "Pulling Up" and raise one arm to alert the rider behind you.**
- 13. Dropped Items: Do not stop on trail. Notify the drag person and they will retrieve item for you when it is safe to do so.**

RIDE AT YOUR OWN RISK