



Riding Session Volunteer

Lead Rein Walker/Side Walker

Role Description

Horsley, Bookham and Leatherhead RDA seeks enthusiastic and flexible volunteers to support our charity on a regular basis as a Lead Rein Walker and Side Walker. With a passion for volunteering with children and animals, the ideal volunteer will enjoy an opportunity to be outside and be physically active. Experience of working with horses and ponies is not essential and training will be given.

Purpose

To assist in the smooth and safe running of the riding lesson by leading a pony, side walking with a rider or assisting the coach during the lesson.

Main Tasks and Responsibilities

- Lead a pony with an RDA rider, being responsible for the control and safety of pony and rider.
- Sidewalk beside an RDA rider to provide them with assistance and help build confidence.
- Support riders to understand instructions
- Assist the coach during the lesson/ride by putting out equipment, tidying up and putting equipment away, picking up manure and supporting with activities.
- Ensuring appropriate tack and riding aids are in place for the rider, such as coloured reins, saddle straps and stirrup boots, under the guidance of the session coach.

Additional Responsibilities

- Understand the importance of the RDA Health and Safety procedures
 - Be familiar with fire evacuation procedures
- Committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people

RDA encourages individuals from all sections of the community. Our volunteer network is richly diverse with many backgrounds, ages and cultures represented.

Horsley, Bookham and Leatherhead RDA is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. All RDA volunteers are subject to a DBS check and satisfactory references.