



ENGLEFIELD ESTATE

Englefield Riding Permits - Code of Conduct

The Estate woodlands around the riding routes are managed for sustainable timber production, landscape and environmental benefit, with the farmland managed to produce crops or for grazing livestock. Some areas around the edge of fields are also managed to encourage wildlife and enhance biodiversity. Game shooting also takes place across the Estate at certain times of year. Whilst we try to minimise the impact of forestry, agriculture and other management operations, it may sometimes be necessary to close or divert routes.

Please read and adhere to the following:

Riding Permit Code of Conduct

- You are welcome to use the paths and rides marked on the attached plan although please stick to the marked track or road at all times and ensure you always have your permit with you.
- A grass strip can be inviting to ride along, however please stick to tracks where the option exists.
- Entry onto the riding routes should be made using the marked access points only.
- Please close all gates behind you. This is particularly important where there are grazing livestock.
- Please avoid poaching soft ground during wet conditions.
- Please do not erect any jumps, obstacles or other structures.
- Please be aware of increased fire risk during dry weather.
- Vehicles must not be taken onto any riding route.
- Please be aware of forestry, agricultural or other land management operations, maintain a safe distance at all times and observe any signage or instructions from Estate Staff or contractors relating to such works.
- Please look out for and avoid organised shooting parties and observe any signage or instructions from Estate Staff relating to these activities.
- We regret that no dogs are allowed to accompany riders.
- When using the riding routes you may be asked at any time to show your permit to any member of Estate staff. If requested to do so, please follow any instructions Estate Staff provide as they may need to direct you away from working machinery or other operations.
- We recommend riders do not ride alone, however if you are riding alone we would ask that you let others know where you plan to ride and how long you will be out for.
- Please report any concerns that you may have, fires or suspicious activity to Robert Allen from our Forestry Department on 07836 617 812; the Forestry Manager Rich Edwards on 07774 164 205 or the Estate Office on 01189 302 504.