

Drouin Pony Club

Discipline Policy

The following behaviours were identified by pony club members as **inappropriate**:

- Disrespect for fellow riders and their riding space
- Talking while instructors are speaking
- Unfair treatment of horses (hitting, yelling, excessive whipping)
- Speaking back to instructor
- Crying/screaming
- Leaving without informing instructor
- Swearing
- Negatively commenting on the abilities of others
- Teasing/name calling

If a member displays any of the above behaviours, then the following action can be taken by the instructor:

- The instructor will give the rider no more than **two verbal warnings**. eg “This is your first warning.”
- If the member continues to disrupt the lesson, with any of the above behaviours, after two verbal warnings then **the instructor has the right to ask him/her to leave the lesson**.
- The member must **immediately report to the DC**.
- The member must be **accompanied by their supervising adult if under 18** when reporting to the DC.
- It is at the **DC’s discretion** as to when and if the rider may rejoin the lesson.