The South African Pony Club

LOADING ACHIEVEMENT BADGE

GUIDELINES:

To know how to load / unload a pony, with assistance, safely into and out of a trailer or horsebox.

Recommended Reading:

The Manual of Horsemanship – Chapter 24, Pages 258 to 266

KEYPOINTS:

Correct clothing, e.g. hat, gloves and boots. Stability of ramp of trailer or horsebox.
Preparation of pony for loading: travelling bandages, boots, tail bandage; need for a travelling rug? and any other equipment the member may be familiar with.
Act of loading with assistance from an older / physically bigger person.

TEACHING, TESTING IDEAS AND RESOURCES:

Members should be able to use a 'quiet' pony if their own is 'difficult'.

Bandaging can be practised in pairs, taking it in turns to 'bandage' their partner's leg.

This badge could be achieved in conjunction with the 'Bandaging and Rugs' badge. If a member is thought ready to show ability to load a pony after successfully completing bandaging; is able to choose a suitable travelling rug (if required); and can safely load the pony, both badges could be awarded on the same day.

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