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Suffolk Riders Group Code of Conduct 2024

Suffolk Riders has agreed a single Code of Conduct to set and maintain high standards in the way its Tutors deliver training and the way its Committee delivers its duties, for the benefit of its Members and Associates. This Group Code of Conduct incorporates all elements of the RoSPA Codes included in their various training guidelines, and all elements in the Suffolk Riders Constitution.

Although not specifically mentioned the Committee would expect ordinary Members to adopt the highest standards in their dealings both within the Group and in their general riding.

This Code replaces all previous Suffolk Rider Codes of Conduct.

All Group Tutors, Advanced Tutors and Committee Members must at all times:

- Behave professionally and treat others with respect and consideration.
- Avoid categorising anyone according to race, religion, sex, vehicle type, clothing style (as in the Equality Act 2010), or other stereotype or profession.
- Avoid being sarcastic, opinionated or aggressive.
- Avoid inappropriate language and comments and tone that could be misconstrued or create offence.
- Avoid physical contact except in an emergency or in the normal course of greeting (for example, shaking hands).
- Understand the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) and not breach the principles.
- Be fair and honest.
- Not personally criticise any other trainer, examiner or road safety organisation.

In addition all Group Tutors and Advanced Tutors must at all times:

- Satisfy themselves that the person they are tutoring has adequate motorcycle insurance cover, a valid driving licence and that their vehicle is road legal.
- They must be able to read (with glasses or contact lenses if necessary), a car number plate made after 1 September 2001 from 20 metres and meet the minimum eyesight standard for riding. For more details visit: www.gov.uk/riding-eyesight-rules
- Continue their own professional development as a rider and a Tutor.
- Not knowingly break any laws, and adhere to road traffic rules and regulations i.e. The Highway Code for all tutored rides and other official Suffolk Rider

events e.g. Group Training Rides.

- Set the scene with the person they are tutoring (e.g. agree when and where the tutoring will take place), and be on time.
- Set the standard – trainees will emulate the style and behaviour of their tutor.
- Not charge for providing tutoring, other than receive expenses at the current group rate.
- Wear a fluorescent / reflective jacket / vest on tutored rides.
- Follow the training procedures for Associates published by Suffolk Riders and found in Dropbox, which strongly recommend that Associates undertake a cross-check ride with an Advanced Tutor.

Groups and all Tutors not only have a duty to look after themselves but also to care for students receiving their instructions. A Group Tutor should be able to identify potentially dangerous situations and take action to protect the less experienced student. Group Tutors should be able to identify the level of competence of each student and adapt their tutoring accordingly.

This Suffolk Riders Group Code of Conduct may from time to time be reviewed and updated to reflect developing best practice and the latest RoSPA Group, or training guidance.

Suffolk Riders Committee

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