EQUINE CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT 2026 – 27

The colour of uniform is changing to Navy though returning students may wear their black branded Duchy uniform purchased the previous year. All new uniform will be Navy Blue

- Skull caps / Riding hats - please see page below for correct hat standards. Note: Only flexible peaks are allowed for jumping or riding in the fields. Skull cap covers must be black or dark blue. Please have your hat professionally fitted and do not buy second hand hats.
- Hairnets for riding
- Riding gloves (dark colour)
- Body protector – see attached information on required standards. (This is not needed until after October half term; please check with your Study Programme Manager when you will need this)
- Dressage whip for flat work lessons, padded baton for jump and field lessons
- Polo shirts and sweatshirts in navy - long sleeves are required for riding in the fields
- Navy blue base layers may be worn under a polo shirt or body protector if riding in the field but not on their own
- Jodhpurs/breeches – navy blue or black for everyday wear. No denim or patterns.
- Long riding boots, or jodhpur boots with leather gaiters. Note: Mountain Horse High Rider type boots or anything with thick soles are not permitted for riding. 'Country boots' are also not appropriate for riding.
- Steel toe-capped wellingtons / work boots for yard duties
- Waterproof coat and trousers
- Sports clothing for 'Rider Fitness' sessions including trainers to wear in the Sports Hall

Duchy College branded clothing can be purchased from PVM Supplies www.pvmsupplies.shop/schools-colleges/duchy-college-new . Students do not have to wear branded uniform but must wear clothing of the same type and colour as specified for practical lessons. Students will have practical lessons on most days so will need more than one set of clothing.

H&S Regulations Regarding Clothing

- Hoodies cannot be worn at any time on the Duchy College Equestrian Centre
- All jewellery / piercings must be removed for practical lessons and yard duties. Please do not have any new piercings done before coming to college as you will not be able to take part in practical lessons until they can be removed. It is not acceptable to cover them with tape.
- Acrylic nails and / or nail varnish are not allowed on the Equestrian Centre. Please do not arrive with these as you will not be able to undertake practical lessons.

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BHS EAG Hat Guidelines 2026

Only hats to the following specification are acceptable at any BHS activity. Hats must meet ALL of the requirements of one of the following rows:

	Standard and Date	Quality Assurance Mark	Examples
1	PAS 015 (2011)	AND MUST HAVE BSI Kitemark Or Inspec IC Mark	
2	VG1 01.040 (2014-12)	AND MUST HAVE BSI Kitemark Or Inspec IC Mark	
3	ASTM F1163 (2015 or 2023)	AND MUST HAVE SEI mark	
4	SNELL (E2016 or 2021 onwards)	AND MUST HAVE Official SNELL label and number	
5	AS/NZS 3838 (2006 onwards)	AND MUST HAVE SAI Global mark	
6	BS EN1384: 2023	AND MUST HAVE BSI Kitemark Or Inspec IC Mark	

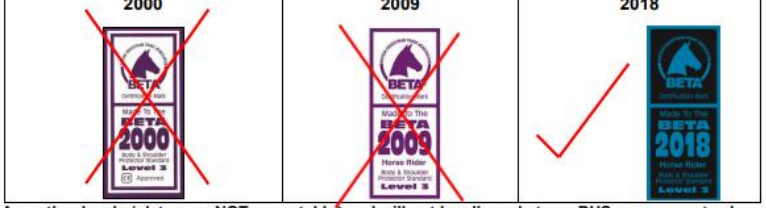
IMPORTANT INFO FOR CROSS-COUNTRY ACTIVITIES: Only a "Jockey Skull" of an even round or elliptical shape with a smooth or slightly abrasive surface, having no peak or peak type extensions should be worn for any XC activity. Noticeable protuberances above the eyes or to the front, not greater than 5mm, smooth and rounded in nature are permitted. A removable hat cover with a light flexible peak may be used.
HEAD CAMS: When hats are tested against the requirements of a standard, they are done so with no extra additions on the hat i.e. with no head cam attached. Therefore, it is currently not known how the addition of a protuberance such as a head cam, affects how the hat would respond during an impact. Therefore, the use of HEAD CAMS are not recommended at any EAG activity. This includes use on the head, chest, bridle or any other part of the horse or rider.

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BHS Assessment Body Protector Guidelines 2026

Only body protectors to the following specification are acceptable at any BHS assessment where the use of body protectors is mandatory:

A BETA Level 3 displaying a Blue 2018 Label



Any other levels / dates are NOT acceptable* and will not be allowed at any BHS assessment, where body protectors are mandatory. If a Label containing a correct date is not present, the body protector will not be accepted.





Please Note; these pictures are only intended for illustrating where the BETA label can often be found. A full list of BETA Level 3 body protectors can be obtained from www.beta-uk.org

- Where the use of a body protector is mandatory, air jackets are only permitted with the consent from the assessment centre.
- Air jackets may be worn without another body protector underneath only where the use of a body protector is not mandatory for that phase in accordance with point 1 above.
- Hybrid Air-Jackets (a manufactured Level 3 Body Protector and Air Jacket all-in-one) are permitted.
- Blouson jacket type air jackets are permitted in accordance with point 1 above.
- *Exo Body Cage body protectors continue to be permitted (see below) but the candidate MUST inform the Chief Assessor due to the allen key system for removing them.

Air Jacket



Hybrid Air Jacket



Blouson Jacket



Exo Body Cage



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

*The ONLY exception to the requirement for a BETA Level 3 2018 label is that Exo Body Cages will continue to be accepted, provided they have a BETA Level 3 2000 purple label.

Please note air jackets are not allowed to be worn at college

A Padded Baton 45cm-70cm for jumping lessons

