

# Regional Equestrian Safety Adviser Role Description

**Role Summary** Help us to educate others about equine safety and spread the BHS Safety messages in your area. You'll be an integral member of the volunteer team working across your region, forming partnerships with local companies and public bodies such as the Police and local councils' road safety officers. You could organise and present events, attend shows as a BHS representative, promote the BHS Ride Safe award and share best practice.

Our Regional Committees represent all the committees within their region. As Equestrian Safety Adviser you will share best practice between local committees and provide guidance and support to the Equestrian Safety Advisers within your region. Analysing information sent by County Equestrian Safety Advisers, we ask our volunteers to create a quarterly report which is discussed with the Regional Committee and Regional Manager to create opportunities to publicise the BHS and hold events to tackle problems within the region.

On average, Equestrian Safety Advisers volunteer around two days a month, this may include evenings and weekends but you can choose what activities to do and how much time you commit. This is a stimulating and fulfilling role for those interested in equine safety and capable of leading others.

## **What's in it for you**

Volunteering as a BHS Equestrian Safety Adviser is a rewarding way to be part of the equine community whilst developing your knowledge and skills in a field you're passionate about.

You can make new friends and open doors to work with other influential organisations in your area which are keen to educate the public regarding safety. Working with the regional committee you're enabling the Society to: *Promote and advance the education, training and safety of the public in all matters relating to the horse* – Which is one of our charitable aims, so thank you!

## **Main duties and responsibilities**

These are some examples of ways you can get involved to promote the safety of horse riding and carriage driving:

- Creating educational opportunities by organising and presenting events and attending shows as a BHS representative.
- Developing relationships with local authorities and other relevant organisations to promote and improve equestrian safety.
- Communicate regularly with County Equestrian Safety Advisers to offer support and discuss how they can grow their impact.
- Discuss how to spend the Regional Committee budget on events to promote Safety.
- Promoting the Ride Safe Award.
- Promoting the [www.horseaccidents.org.uk](http://www.horseaccidents.org.uk) website and importance of reporting incidents.
- Reporting to HQ on a quarterly basis and attend regional committee meetings.

You may receive expenses to cover your incurred costs.

**Desirable  
Skills and  
Knowledge**

- Leadership & teambuilding.
- Confidence to book, advertise and lead workshops (materials will be provided).
- An interest in all aspects of equestrian safety.
- Good communication skills.
- Computer literate and access to email/internet.
- Pro-active.

**Support**

As part of the Regional Committee you will receive support from the team, and your local Regional Manager who is a paid member of BHS Staff. Specialised support, guidance and training will come from the Safety team at BHS HQ, who can also advise.

You will provide support to your Equestrian Safety Advisers. To keep your knowledge up-to-date we will ensure you have access to the relevant knowledge and research.

**Resources**

You will need a computer or tablet and access to the internet/email which is how we mostly communicate with our volunteers. To help in your role you'll have resources made available for you to hold informative events, and a Ride Safe Guide to promote the Award. It is essential to have the ability to travel as you may need to travel around your region.