

## What to Bring List for Riders

### All Riders: Lesson Attire

- When riding at The Harriet Rogers Riding Center (HRRC) or with a HRRC group off campus, protective headgear that meets or exceeds ASTM/SEI standards for equestrian use and carries the SEI tag must be worn at all times while mounted. The Riding Program strongly recommends that you purchase your own helmet to insure proper fit. When mounted, helmets must have chin strap fastened securely at all times.
- Riding breeches (of a subdued color)
- Tall boots or half chaps w/Paddock boots- Tall boots are preferred and can often be found at a comparable price to half chaps and paddock boots and may fit just as well if not better.
- Fitted shirt tucked in with either a collar or sleeves - NO TANK TOPS
- Belt
- Hair neatly secured under your helmet with a hair net
- Gloves
- Crop

Riders who are not planning to show off campus or at our on campus SWVHJA/VHSA shows will only need the equipment listed above.

Dover Saddlery - [www.doversaddlery.com](http://www.doversaddlery.com) and The Riders Closet <http://www.pegasustr.org/riders-closet/make-request/> are probably the best choices for purchasing/acquiring the above items. The Rider's Closet is a non profit that will send collegiate riders items of apparel at no cost to you. They offer boots, breeches, half chaps, coats and show shirts and it usually takes two weeks for them to ship your order. They do NOT offer helmets.

It is best to try on many different styles and brands of helmets before you purchase one. Please let the sales assistant know that you will be participating in the hunter/jumper/equitation discipline and they will know to guide you towards the appropriate items. There is a Dover Saddlery store located in Charlottesville, VA approximately 50 minutes from SBC and they know exactly what you will need in order to ride with us.

### \*\*\*Team Riders and Independent Competitors:

- When riding at HHRC or with a HHRC group off campus, protective headgear that meets or exceeds ASTM/SEI standards for equestrian use and carries the SEI tag must be worn at all times while mounted. When mounted helmets must have chin strap fastened securely at all times. **Charles Owen, GPA** and **Sam Shield** helmets are the most popular brands for our team members.
- Well fitted show jacket - Dark Blue or Black are the most appropriate and versatile colors.
- White Show Shirt

- Well fitted Tall Boots - either Dress or Field
- Tan Breeches - preferably Tailored Sportsman
- Black Gloves
- Small to Medium Spurs and black crop

**Storage at the Riding Center is limited - Only Students with horses boarded at HHRC will be allowed to keep a tack trunk at the stables.**

*\* Please note that non boarders will only be allowed to store their equipment in our upstairs storage area if they are riding 4-6 days per week.*

**Riders may choose to bring some of their own equipment for riding HHRC horses:**

- Stirrup leathers and Stirrups - Several of our horses go in specific saddles, for your convenience you may choose to use your own stirrups and leather for your lesson/rides as long as you replace them with the school stirrups and leathers after your lesson//ride.
- Saddles with nameplates - We have plenty of school saddles, but you may choose to bring your own. Please be aware that we are very concerned with saddle fit and the majority of our horses go in Tad Coffin saddles with Smart Ride trees. If your saddle does not fit a particular horse, then you will have to ride that horse in their assigned saddle. **Please do NOT bring a saddle without a nameplate.**
- Girth with nameplate or clearly marked. We use fleece girths for everyday and leather for horse shows as long as they do not cause rubs.
- Schooling saddle pads - you may bring your own saddle pads if you wish - however we supply pads for all of our horses and personal pads often get mixed in with our equipment. If you choose to bring your own pads - please label them clearly and know that it is your responsibility to launder and keep up with your own equipment.
- Crop and Spurs - Be sure you have them marked well so that you may identify them as your own.

**Please be certain to clearly and permanently mark all of your equipment.**

**If you have any questions please contact the Riding Center Office at 434-381-6116 or email Lizzie at [Lfish@sbc.edu](mailto:Lfish@sbc.edu).**