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# Private & Semi-Private Lesson Student's Fact Sheet

## Welcome!

Welcome to Tandivale Equestrian Centre. We hope you will enjoy your time with us and take away many fun memories, as well as an appreciation for and enjoyment of our equine friends.

Please arrive 15 minutes early on your first day so we can verify your paperwork and payment status.

## Safety First

Safety is of utmost importance when working with or around horses. No matter how well trained our horses are, accidents may still occur due to the unpredictability of animals especially if they are frightened, hurt or confused. Additionally, a student's lack of skill, balance or lapse in concentration can result in a fall or injury on the ground.

At Tandivale we take every precaution to ensure our students are well versed in appropriate behaviour around the horses and yards. If you'd like to know more about safety at Tandivale please speak to staff.

## Your Booking

Horse riding is an all-weather activity and we do expect you to attend your arranged lesson, suitably dressed, regardless of the weather. However, Tandivale may re-schedule lessons in the event of extreme weather, if possible we'll contact you ahead of time if this happens. All lesson bookings must be secured by payment in advance. Please refer to our Booking and Payment Policy for additional information about your booking.

## Medical Armbands

All students are required to wear a medical armband when they attend, unless their emergency contact remains onsite at Tandivale for the duration of the class. Armbands can be purchased from the office and the medical form can be downloaded from our website. Students attending an assessment lesson or casual "try-out" private lesson may borrow an armband for their first attendance.

## Checklist

### What to wear

- Long pants - jodhpurs, jeans, tracksuit pants, trousers.
- Sleeved shirt. Short sleeved polo and t-shirts are acceptable.
- Enclosed footwear with a heel. Riding boots, normal boots, gumboots, school shoes are acceptable. No runners/sneakers.

### What to bring

- Water bottle.
- Sunscreen & hat during the warmer months.
- Waterproof jacket for inclement weather.

### Keeping in touch

- Visit our website
- Like us on Facebook
- We use email extensively, check that our emails aren't in your junk folder

Please ensure your property is clearly named. Unclaimed property is donated at the end of each term.

We have a large selection of approved safety helmets available to borrow and a smaller selection of boots which may or may not fit, so please attempt to provide your own suitable footwear.

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## Ambulance Membership ~\$80pa (Family)

We strongly recommend each student is a member of Ambulance Victoria as all costs are your responsibility even if the ambulance is called by Tandivale. The standard "call out" fee is approximately \$800 and the price increases if the student needs to be transported.

## Recommended Gear

We recommend each student equips themselves as best as possible to ensure optimal riding outcomes.

- **Helmet:** correctly fitted and made to Australian standards. Helmets should not be used if they've received a heavy knock or are more than 5 years old.
- **Boots:** Protection for feet and designed to not get caught in stirrups.
- **Jodhpurs:** Prevent chafing. Various designs help riders to 'stick' to saddles.
- **Chaps:** Assist in steadying the lower leg.
- **Gloves:** Assists in maintaining contact with the reins.

A discount voucher for Horseland Ringwood is provided to new students to assist the fit out! Staff at Horseland will be more than happy to assist you choose the correct gear.

***We look forward to seeing you at Tandivale!***

Please debit my  Visa  Mastercard

Card Number             Expiry   /

Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cardholder Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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