

ARTICLE 7
EQUESTRIAN RIDING AND HIKING TRAILS
(Adopted 7/9/88)

SECTION 700. GENERAL

- (a) Smoking (as defined in Article 20, Section 2003) is prohibited on all riding and hiking trails. (Added 02/10/15; Amended 06/10/16)
- (b) California state law prohibits motorized vehicles on horseback riding trails. This law will be enforced in Bear Valley Springs. Bicycles are subject to the same provisions as vehicles and are therefore prohibited on the riding and hiking trails. Violation of this rule may result in the Board of Directors levying a fine up to \$1,000 for any single occurrence to any member, a members' family, guests, employees, invitees, licensees or tenants. (Added 06/10/18) [Ref: CSD Code 6-3-15:A.1.]
- (c) Dumping of manure, garbage, trash or other debris upon or in the vicinity of a riding or hiking trail is strictly prohibited. [Ref: CSD Code 6-3-16:A.4.]
- (d) The equestrian trails may only be used by hikers and by horses, mules, donkeys, and leashed dogs that are under control of responsible members and their guests. (Added 10-21-06; Amended, effective 04/10/08)
- (e) Any reference to horse or horses in these rules shall include any equine. (Added 02/10/15)

SECTION 701. HIKERS' RESPONSIBILITIES

- (a) Hikers must give the right-of-way to horseback riders.
- (b) Hikers must refrain from making any sudden movement or noise when giving the right-of-way to horseback riders—to avoid “spooking” the horses and possible subsequent injury to horse and rider.
- (c) (Repealed 10/16/93) See Article 20
- (d) Hikers must remain on the approved and posted trails.
- (e) Hiking trails are part of the Common Area and the leash law applies. No loose pets are permitted in trail areas.
- (f) All trash, debris and garbage must be placed in the containers provided. This may require carrying the items to the next container. [Ref: CSD Code 6-3-17:A.4.]
- (g) For safety, prior to departure, hikers should leave a “hiking plan” with a responsible person that includes intended route and approximate time of return. (Amended effective 5/10/11)
- (h) Use of profane or vulgar language is prohibited.

SECTION 702. HORSEBACK RIDERS' RESPONSIBILITIES

- (a) Riders must have their mounts under control at all times. [Ref: CSD Code 6-3-16:C.]
- (b) Protective headgear is recommended for all mounted riders on the Equestrian Trails. (Added 2/18/95) (Prior subdivision (b) repealed 10/16/93) (Amended 8/10/08)
- (c) Riders must proceed at a safe pace at all times. Racing of horses is prohibited. [Ref: CSD Code 6-3-16:A.3.]
- (d) Riders must remain on approved and posted trails. Property owners may file a complaint when horses are off the trails and on their property. (Amended effective 5/10/11)

(e) Courtesy and good conduct must be observed when encountering hikers along the trails.

(f) Horseback riding trails are part of the Common Area and the leash law applies. No loose pets are permitted in trail areas.

(g) All trash, debris and garbage must be placed in the containers provided. This may require carrying the items to the next container. [Ref: CSD Code 6-3-16:A.4.]

(h) For safety, prior to departure, riders should leave a "riding plan" with a responsible person that includes the intended route and approximate time of return. (Amended effective 5/10/11)

(i) Individual riders must at all times yield the right-of-way to large groups or the rent-string when meeting on trails. (Amended 3/15/03)

(j) Use of profane or vulgar language is prohibited.

(k) Members and their guests are responsible for any damage to property or injury to persons or animals caused by his/her action/s or those of their animal. (Added 02/10/15)

SECTION 703. MANAGEMENT AND MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES (Amended 12/10/13)

This Article will be enforced as provided in Article 17 and Article 3. (Amended 12/10/13)