

Horse riding instructor

Horse riding instructors teach children and adults of all abilities, how to ride.

Average salary (a year)



£14,000

£25,000

Starter

Experienced

Typical hours (a week)



36 to 38
variable

You could work



evenings / weekends /
bank holidays
as customers demand

Different routes to get this job

(check the website for entry requirements)

- a college course
- an apprenticeship
- specialist courses run by professional bodies

Day-to-day tasks

in your day-to-day duties you might:

- teach people who want to ride as a leisure activity
- help prepare for competitions like show jumping, eventing or dressage
- make sure health and safety rules are followed
- help horses and riders to warm up and cool down during training
- develop training programmes suited to individual riders
- give practical demonstrations
- help riders correct problems
- lead groups of riders on treks
- give feedback and keep records of rider development
- assess riders who are working towards qualifications

Skills and knowledge

You'll need:

- the ability to teach pupils how to do something
- leadership skills
- the ability to create the best conditions for learning or teaching new things
- patience and the ability to remain calm in stressful situations
- excellent verbal communication skills
- the ability to monitor your own performance and that of your colleagues
- the ability to work on your own
- customer service skills
- to be able to carry out basic tasks on a computer or hand-held device

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