

South Wold Hunt – Code of Conduct

- If you are new to hunting, please contact the Field Secretary to ensure you have details of meets and times.
- Prior to coming out hunting please familiarise yourself with the Master of Foxhounds Association (MFH) "[Code of Good Practice](#)".
- Please also familiarise yourself with the standards of etiquette, dress and turnout required in the hunting field. If you are unsure, please email this website and we will be more than happy to help and advise.
- All damages and accidents must be reported to the Field Master immediately.
- Please be careful not to ride on kept grass verges.
- Always be courteous to road users and please do not block the highway.
- Tail Ribbons - please ensure your horse wears a RED ribbon if it is likely to kick and a GREEN ribbon for a youngster or first time out.
- Always turn your horses head to the hounds when they pass by with the Huntsman.
- Please ensure that you do not ride over any growing crops or drilling. Please ride in single file, tight to the field edge when passing around cropped fields. This is essential to maintain the goodwill of our farmers, and anyone found riding over crops will be asked to leave the field. The Field Master will usually remind the field to keep in tight when necessary.
- Please stay with the Field Master at all times, and accept his/her instructions. He/she knows where we are allowed to go and where we are not. Please also give the Field Master sufficient space in which to ride safely; do not overtake, ride upside or follow close on his/her heels.
- At fences, please be considerate to other riders:
 - ✓ Do not cut in on someone approaching a fence
 - ✓ Do not ride directly on the heels of the horse in front
 - ✓ Should your horse refuse at a fence, please keep away from the approach to the fence and allow others a clear way in.
 - ✓ Having had a refusal at a fence you should not re-attempt the jump until all oncoming horses have had their turn. The field will usually help you and offer a lead where appropriate. Should you be unable to negotiate a fence, you should retrace your tracks back to the public road; do not take your own line across country.
- The South Wold field will usually have some non-jumpers, so don't worry if you do not want to, or cannot, jump.
- If your horse is likely to refuse and is better with a lead please ride at the back of the field.

We hope you enjoy hunting with the South Wold