



Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) Act 1990

1990 CHAPTER 25

1 **Causing or permitting child under 14 to ride on road without protective headgear.** **E+W+S**

- (1) Except as provided by regulations, it is an offence for any person to whom this subsection applies to cause or permit a child under the age of 14 years to ride a horse on a road unless the child is wearing protective headgear, of such description as may be specified in regulations, in such manner as may be so specified.
- (2) Subsection (1) above applies to the following persons—
 - (a) any person who—
 - (i) for the purposes of Part I of the ^{M1}Children and Young Persons Act 1933, has responsibility for the child; or
 - (ii) for the purposes of Part II of the ^{M2}Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Act 1937, has [^{F1}parental responsibilities (within the meaning given by section 1(3) of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995) in relation to, or has], charge or care of the child;
 - (b) any owner of the horse;
 - (c) any person other than its owner who has custody of or is in possession of the horse immediately before the child rides it; and
 - (d) where the child is employed, his employer and any other person to whose orders the child is subject in the course of his employment.
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (1) above is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 1 on the standard scale.
- (4) Until the coming into force of paragraph 5 of Schedule 13 to the ^{M3}Children Act 1989, subsection (2)(a)(i) above shall have effect as if for “responsibility for the child” there were substituted “custody, charge or care of the child”.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Horses (Protective Headgear for Young Riders) Act 1990, Section 1. (See end of Document for details)

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 1(2)(a)(ii) substituted (1.11.1996) by 1995 c. 36, s. 105(4), **Sch. 4 para. 51** (with s. 103(1)); S.I. 1996/2203, **art. 3(3), Sch.**

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 1 wholly in force at 30.6.1992 see s. 5(2) and S.I. 1992/1200, **art. 2**

Marginal Citations

- M1** 1933 c. 12.
M2 1937 c. 37.
M3 1989 c. 41.

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