



2007 Foxhunting International Exchange

To qualify for the USPC Foxhunting International Exchange the applicant must be between 16 and 25 years of age on January 1, 2007 with a minimum rating of C3 at time of application.

International teams consist of four participants and a chaperone. The Selection Panel determines the teams using information in the applications and recommendations. The Selection Panel will consider a candidate's ambassadorial attributes as well as teamwork abilities, hunting experience and riding skill, both in Pony Club and in the hunt field.

International teams will join teams from England and Ireland. Hunting will be in Yorkshire, in the North of England and Wiltshire, in the South West of the country, with a variety of hunts, all recognized by the Masters of Foxhounds Association.. The exchange begins February 3rd 2008 and ends on February 14th, 2008. Candidates will fly into Manchester Airport and depart from Heathrow.

CHECKLIST

____ Foxhunting International Exchange Application completed and signed

____ 2007 Medical Release Form: <http://ponyclub.org/files/bin/2084>

____ Foxhunting International Exchange Release/Code of Conduct (3 pages)

____ Foxhunting International Exchange Recommendation Form sent to my DC

____ Foxhunting International Exchange Recommendation Form sent to my RS

____ Foxhunting International Exchange Recommendation Form sent to my MFH

____ I understand that it is my responsibility to send the above listed Recommendation Forms and to follow up on their completion and receipt by the due date.

Signature _____

Name: _____

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Participant Application

Selection Criteria for Participants

Each participant must:

- Be a C3, B, H, H-A or A level Pony Club member in good standing.
- If candidate is a C3 they must be hunting in the first field.
- Be 16 to 25 years of age as of January 1, 2007.
- Have strong Horse Management skills
- Have a strong record of service to Pony Club
- Have high Ambassador qualities
- Have a strong background in riding and hunting borrowed horses, hunting in the first field
- Have recommendations of your:
 - DC
 - RS
 - Master of Foxhounds
- Assist with fundraising
- Sign and adhere to a Code of Conduct
- Complete all application requirements

Instructions:

If you are able to meet the requirements listed above, please:

1. Complete the applicant information on this form. Have your DC sign the application.
2. Give your DC, RS and MFH each a blank recommendation form and a stamped envelope addressed to:

Kristin Noggle
7422 Frogtown Road
Marshall, VA 20115
540.364.1495
noggstown@comcast.net

3. Application, checklist and recommendation forms must be postmarked by December 15th, 2007.
4. Questions about this Exchange may be directed to Kristin Noggle at the above e-mail address or Sue Smith, International Exchange Committee Chair, at cedarbank@mindspring.com

Name: _____

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7. What types of activities do you enjoy and participate in outside of Pony Club (sports, hobbies, clubs, etc.)?

8. In what ways have you given back to Pony Club throughout your membership?

9. What are your future plans within Pony Club as well as outside of Pony Club?

Name: _____

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RS Name _____ Region _____

DC Name _____ Club _____

MFH Name _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

_____ Applicant Signature	_____ Date
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<p>Parent: I support my child's application for the 2007 Foxhunting Exchange. USPC Policy 6850, Attachment A, Funding: "The funding for International Exchanges is the responsibility of the participants". All International Exchanges run on a break-even basis. Participants are expected to fundraise to defray costs. Participants can raise money through personal solicitations or by paying for their portion of the event themselves. The USPC Development Office is available for advice and assistance in fundraising. I understand that the cost of his or her participation will be borne by his/her family and that it is estimated to be \$1200 - \$1500. The \$500 Land Fee is due upon acceptance to this exchange.</p>	
_____ Parent/Guardian Signature	_____ Date

DC Signature Date

RS Signature Date

Name: _____

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**Participant
Recommendation**

Duplicate as necessary

This recommendation should be completed by the DC, RS and Master of Foxhounds of the hunt with which the potential participant hunts and returned to **Kristin Noggle, 7422 Frogtown Road, Marshall, VA 20115**. It must be **postmarked by Dec. 15, 2007**. If the candidate is related to the DC, RS or MFH, please have another club/regional officer or Jt-MFH, hunt officer/staff member complete this form.

Potential Participant: _____

Pony Club: _____ Region: _____

Person writing reference:

Name: _____ Position: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

How long have you known applicant? _____

Please use the reverse side of this form (or attach a letter) to tell us what you can about this applicant that would help the Selection Panel know him/her better. Please address each of the following points in your recommendation of the candidate. It is essential that you be totally candid in your assessment of the candidate's suitability for the Foxhunting Exchange. All replies will be confidential. We very much appreciate your interest in writing on behalf of this applicant.

- Riding capability on own and borrowed horses in the hunt field
- Quality of horse management skills
- Strong Pony Club record and support of Pony Club ideals
- Does the candidate relate well with peers and adults?
- Are there particular qualities that will make this person an effective team member and a good ambassador for the USPC and his/her hunt, i.e., maturity, social skills, patience, team experience and demonstrates consistently high standards of behavior.

Signature