



## RMC Equestrian Studies Hunter Equipment List

All students in Hunter Seat Equitation I and II are required to own the following equipment. Substitution of some items is possible; however, the specific equipment listed below is recommended. You may be required to purchase additional equipment as the class progresses. Standing martingales and riding crop are frequently useful.

- Close Contact English Saddle - please contact the Director or your instructor prior to purchase.
- two saddle blankets: white English saddle pad, double weave wool blanket
- splint boots, bell boots
- grooming items:
  - dandy brush - stiff bristles
  - body brush - soft bristles
  - rubber curry
  - mane comb
  - hoof pick
  - four leg wraps - polo or track bandages with velcro
  - four quilted leg wrap pads
- Nylon halter with snap-on lead rope and a stud chain - (12 - 18 inches)
- clippers and clipper blades (size #10 and # 40) Wahls or Osters are recommended
- bathing equipment: shampoo, conditioner, sponge, scraper, towels, small scrub bucket
- lunge whip and lunge line (cotton with a chain is recommended)
- three flat back five gallon plastic buckets, with three large double end snaps
- wool cooler (acrylic coolers are a practical alternative)
- horse blanket set (blanket and hood) - We recommend Big D or Schneiders brands for durability and it; the usual program horses have an average size of 78 or 80 and the hood size large.
- horse sheet set (sheet and hood) - This lighter weight covering is the perfect “jacket” weight for the many in-between temperature days in Montana. They also layer nicely under the heavy blankets for the cold winter months. Sizing is the same.
- a lycra hood or “sleezy” is useful but not required.
- tack trunk - Space limitations do not allow for large trunks. Rubber Maid foot lockers work well (and are inexpensive). As with any storage container, padlocks are recommended.
- English leather bridle (headstall and reins)
- any English bits you own; Instructors will aid in bit selection most appropriate to the individual horse. Suitable bits generally used are: fixed or full cheek snaffle with a smooth, corkscrew, or twisted mouthpiece
- hard hat with safety harness, ASTM-SEI certified
- riding boots (paddock boots, field boots or lace up ropers are appropriate absolutely no crepe or thick soled boots will be allowed) and English spurs
- schooling chaps - (Some students find these very practical for riding and saving their clothes. They also provide warmth for winter. However, these are not required. If you choose not to ride in schooling chaps you must ride in half chaps with paddock boots or field boots and britches.)
- “apple-picking” stall fork
- Braiding equipment: scissor, latch hook, yarn, seam ripper, spray bottle, comb, hair clips and stool