



INTERNATIONAL EQUINE TOUCH ASSOCIATION - UK



This document presents the Code of Ethics that all members of IETA-UK are required to adhere to.

Code of Ethics

The International Equine Touch Association UK (IETA-UK) is the professional body for both Equine Touch (ET) and Vibromuscular Harmonisation Technique (VHT) students and practitioners. Members of IETA-UK voluntarily commit themselves to be governed by a Code of Ethics. This Code ensures that practitioners and students of both the techniques are committed to high standards, professionalism and the care of their client either equine or human. All Equine Touch and VHT Practitioners in the UK must be a member of IETA-UK to practice under the name of Equine Touch and VHT respectively.

IETA-UK's Committee oversees adherence to the Code and should a complaint be received about a member, has the ultimate power to remove that person from membership.

Each individual member of the IETA-UK, whether student or practitioner must:

- Have a sincere commitment to provide the highest quality of care to those who seek their professional services.
- Represent the Equine Touch/VHT and their qualifications honestly, including their educational achievements and professional affiliations and will provide only the services, which they are 'qualified' or trained to provide.
- Never diagnose or use the word diagnosis, or intimate that you are diagnosing to relate to any problem presented by an equine unless you are a qualified veterinary surgeon.
- Never give advice or instructions to any owner as to the care or care management of their horse, which would be contrary to that given by a licensed veterinary surgeon or that which they are not trained to give.
- Not under any circumstances use any title or description which gives the impression that they are a practitioner of veterinary medicine.
- Refrain from using the title equine therapist unless they are legally qualified to call themselves such.
- Never use the words heal, or intimate by word or by any other medium to any person that by using the procedures taught by the Equine Touch Foundation (ETF) they can heal any problem real or imagined.
- Accurately inform clients, animal health care professionals and the general public of the scope and limits of their discipline.
- Acknowledge any contraindications of any discipline, which they practice.
- Practice the procedures only where there is a reasonable expectation that it will be advantageous to the equine.
- Consistently maintain and improve professional knowledge and competence, striving for professional excellence through regular assessment of personal strengths and weaknesses and through ongoing education training.
- Conduct their business and professional activities with honesty, integrity and respect with inherent worth to all, animals and humans.