

ABSR PONY CLUBS

BRANCH TESTING GRANT 2025



Alberta South Region

Loyalty Character Sportsmanship

INTRODUCTION

The Region is in the fortunate position that it has funds available through the fundraising efforts performed by volunteers at the AGLC casino fundraisers. For 2025, the Region would like to offer a grant to encourage in-Branch testing.

In-Branch testing is encouraged as it provides the candidates with a more familiar place to test, it increases the opportunities for members to test and it ensures we have a bigger pool of volunteers familiar with the process of organizing a test.

The ABS Region has an examiner payment schedule in place to make sure our examiners are paid an appropriate fee for the services they render to Pony Club (including time spent preparing). These fees may be cost prohibitive to organize a test within a Branch without support.

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The ABS Region will subsidize a Branch test by directly paying the invoices for one day of testing for all the examiners hired for a testing panel.

The Branch test will have to meet the following conditions:

- The examiner panel must be approved by the Regional Testing Committee prior to the test
- The examiners will be paid directly by the Region. Reimbursements will not be covered
- Candidates are charged no more than the fees outlined in the ABS Testing Fee Schedule
- There will be a minimum of 3 candidates at the test
- The Branch will allow members from other branches to join their test (if spaces are available)
- Branches can only apply for financial support for one test each year
- Facility fees will not be considered

The examiners / test rep will need to provide the region with an invoice as available in this document (pg.3):

https://www.canadianponyclub.org/AlbertaSouth/resources/rules/ABSEXAMINERFEESCHEDULE2025.pdf and will agree to use the fee structure set by the ABS Region¹

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¹ Please note that this includes a maximum reimbursement of \$125 for travel