



# THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF FARRIERS

## HIGHER EXAMINATIONS (AWCF and FWCF)

### NOTES ON STRIKERS

1. Candidates are responsible for providing their own strikers if required. Each candidate is required to notify the name of the striker to the Company's Registrar when returning the Application Form. A striker need not be a registered farrier and a blacksmith is acceptable, as he/she is not required to perform any acts of farriery.
2. A striker in the FWCF examination may not be a WCF Fellow (nor may the striker have passed the Practical part of the FWCF examination).
3. A striker in the AWCF examination may not be a WCF Fellow or Associate (nor may the striker have passed the Practical Module of the AWCF examination).
4. Candidates may not act also as Strikers for the practical module in the same examination session (eg April or October session). Strikers may not act on the same horse or either of the adjacent horses in consecutive rounds.
5. Strikers are to remain outside the anvil, and off the shoeing floor.
6. Strikers may:
  - Cut steel (but responsibility remains with the candidate)
  - Use sledgehammer
  - Hold steel on anvil
  - Hold the horse's head when required
  - Pass shoes to examiners
7. Strikers may not:
  - Offer advice
  - Mark steel
  - Tend fires
  - Brush shoes
  - Hand tools or nails to candidates
  - Lift horses' legs etc
8. Candidates may wish to use their striker to ensure that both examiners have marked the shoe or foot before proceeding to the next section, ie nailing on. **If a section is not marked by an examiner then zero marks will be awarded from that examiner.**