BARN RULES



We reserve the right to update, edit, remove, or add to the Barn Rules. By signing this document, you agree to abide by all rules listed.

- <u>Absolutely no smoking on the property</u>. Hay, shavings, and grass are easily ignited, and fires can quickly get out of control. We have a zero-tolerance property for anyone who is found smoking on the property.
- Please keep all gates closed. If you open a gate to go through it, please close it again behind you.
- All visitors to our property must sign a liability waiver. These are conveniently located in the tack room.
- No open toed shoes or flip flops permitted. This is for your own safety. It is easy to be stepped on and injured.
- All riders under the age of 18 are always required by law to wear an ASTM-SEI certified helmet when mounted. It
 may not be removed at any time while riding. If you are over the age of 18 you may choose not to wear a helmet
 while riding your own horse, but you must sign a Helmet Refusal waiver prior to doing so. Choice of exclusion
 does not apply when riding a CF horse, including lease situations and lessons. We strongly encourage all riders to
 #mindyourmelon and keep yourselves safe when riding.
- Appropriate riding gear is always required when mounted. That includes helmet, long pants such as breeches, jodhpurs, or jeans, and correct footwear. No sneakers, tennis shoes, or other flat-soled shoes are permitted.
 Please wear boots with low heels such as paddock boots, work boots, or tall boots. This is for your own safety.
- Please do not feed your horse or other horses in the stable. If you feel that your horse needs more hay or
 increased rations, please contact the Barn Manager. Feeding your horse outside of the feeding schedule can
 cause digestive upset as well as unrest in the other horses. Feed and hay is very expensive and carefully rationed.
 Never feed a horse that does not belong to you. This includes treats without permission from the owner. There
 may be allergies, dietary limitations, or behavioral problems.
- No riding in the stalls or stable yard under any circumstances. It is easy for accidents to occur when riding in a small space. This is for your own safety as well as the safety of the horse.
- Never handle horses without permission. This includes leading, grooming, feeding, riding, otherwise handling or entering the stall of horses that you do not have permission from the owner or stable to do so.
- Never use any tack, equipment, or supplies that are not yours. Always ask permission before using anyone else's fly spray, treats, tack, or supplies of any kind. If you are given permission to borrow something, always replace what you have used or return all equipment clean.
- Restrict your Tack Room space to your designated racks and hooks. Tack room space is limited. Boarders may have a trunk in front of their stall, or in front of a CF horse's stall if they are a pasture boarder.
- <u>Clean up after yourself and your horse.</u> Sweep up and remove any dirt, hair, manure, or trash and put them in the appropriate areas for disposal. Please sweep up hoof pickings before leaving the barn to ride. This helps to keep the barn neat and tidy for everyone. Clip all cross-ties up when done, and clean your tack before leaving.
- <u>Do not leave your horse tied and unattended longer than necessary.</u> Please return your horse to his turnout or stall if he needs to be tied unattended for more than a few minutes.
- No running or shouting in the barn or by the arenas. Horses are easily spooked and yelling or running can cause a rider to become unseated, potentially resulting in injury.
- All minors need adult supervision. Please attain permission from the Barn Owner before dropping off minors.
- <u>Please turn off all lights if you are the last person to leave.</u> Check all gates and doors before leaving. If you notice a horse acting ill, poorly, or notice an injury please alert farm management immediately.
- Please keep all visiting dogs on leashes. Please discuss this with barn staff if you have any questions.
- Social Media: If posting a video clip online of a lesson, please do not include audio. No posting photos/video to social media if they include a child that is not yours. No posting video of any falls of horse or rider. Falls, if caught on video, are a tool to learn from, not to gain attention over the potential injury to you or your horse. It is very easy for extremely problematic incidents to occur over a social media post, which can have long term damaging affects for anyone involved. Failure to abide by these rules risks dismissal from the barn.

Student:	Date:
Parent/Guardian:	Date: