

Trinity Equestrian Center

Riding Instruction & Liability Release

Rider's Name _____ Age (if minor) _____ Previous Riding Experience _____ Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____ e-mail Address _____ <hr/> Emergency Contacts & Phone Numbers _____ _____	If Rider is Minor, Parents Names (Father) _____ (Mother) _____ Home Phone (Father) _____ (Mother) _____ Cell Phone (Father) _____ (Mother) _____ e-mail Address (Father) _____ (Mother) _____
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Rider Registration & Riding Agreement. In consideration of the payment of a fee and signing of this agreement, I, the above referenced listed individual, and the parent or legal guardians thereof if a minor, do hereby voluntarily request and agree to participate in riding instruction as a student at Trinity Equestrian Center for instructional purpose, today and of all scheduled future dates.

Policies. Lessons are payable in advance. Cancellations with a 24 hour notice will not incur a fee, all others will be charged the fee of a lesson per no show or late cancellation. The first lesson for any new student will serve not only as a consultation visit to assess their riding ability but also be an introduction to the riding center and staff. It is the responsibility of the student to have the appropriate attire for riding and weather conditions. Boots or shoes with heels and long pants are mandatory. All riders must wear an ASTM approved helmet. We have a limited supply of hats and boots available on a first come, first serve basis.

Students may want to purchase their own equipment if they are going to continue riding. No mounting of horses in barn or stall, lead horses to the riding arena to mount. While in the ring area, please be aware that quick gestures, clapping, unsecured papers, flash from cameras, etc. may cause a horse to startle. No amount of training can eliminate the flight or fight instincts of horses and thus the equine is to be considered a possible danger to the Rider and to those persons engaged in all activities involving the equine. In light of the aforementioned, please supervise your children closely, NO running, yelling or horseplay permitted on the premises. For safety reasons, at no time are children to be left unsupervised or pets allowed on the premises. Parents, caregivers and visitors are asked to stay on the outside of the ring unless asked to enter by the instructor. While the instructor is giving instruction, interaction with riders should be avoided so that they can focus on the lesson. In consideration of safety and others, there is NO SMOKING permitted in the barn areas or arenas. Any student or their assigned equine responsible for breaking any mirrors in the Indoor Arena will be charged for its replacement. Signature below acknowledges receipt and understanding of the current STABLE RULES, which are incorporated by reference in full, as if fully set forth herein and posted in the stable office. Students agree they and their guests and invitees will be bound and abide by these Rules, and accept responsibility for the conduct of their guests and invitees according to these Rules.

Agreement Scope & Definitions. This agreement shall be legally binding upon me the registered student, and the parents or legal guardians thereof if a minor, my heirs, estate, assigns, including all minor children, and personal representatives; and if it shall be interpreted according to the laws of the State and County Trinity Equestrian Center physical location. Any disputes by the rider shall be litigated in, and venue shall be in the county in which Trinity Equestrian Center is physically located. If any clause, phrase, or word is in conflict with state law, then that single part is null and void. The term "Horse" herein shall refer to all equine species. The term "Horseback Riding" herein shall refer to riding or otherwise handling of horse or ponies, whether from the ground or mounted. The terms "Student" and/or "Rider" shall herein refer to a person who rides a horse mounted or otherwise handles or comes near a horse from the ground.

Rider Responsibility & Equipment. I understand that: Upon my mounting a horse and taking up the reins the rider is in primary control of the horse. The rider's safety largely depends upon his/her ability to carry out simple instructions, and his/her ability to remain balanced aboard the moving animal. I agree that the rider shall be responsible for his/her own safety, including that of an unborn child, if the rider is pregnant. Pregnant women should ride horses only under the advice of their physician. Trinity Equestrian Center advises pregnant women not to ride horses. I agree that: I, for myself and on behalf of my child and/or legal ward have been fully warned and advised by Trinity Equestrian Center that protective headgear which meets or exceeds the quality standards of the SEI CERTIFIED ASTM STANDARD F1163 Equestrian Helmet, should be purchased and worn while riding and being near horses and I do understand that that the wearing of such headgear at these times may reduce severity of some of the riders' head injuries and possible prevention of riders' death from occurring as the result of a fall and other occurrences. I understand that: In consideration of being permitted to use the equipment/tack of Trinity Equestrian Center, I/we for myself and my personal representatives, heirs, distributes, guardians, legal representatives, next of kin, and assigns acknowledges, agrees and represent that he/she, or will immediately prior to using such equipment/tack, and will continuously thereafter inspect such equipment/tack, and does further warrant that his/her use of such equipment/tack constitutes an acknowledgement that he/she finds and accepts such equipment/tack as being safe and reasonable suited for the purposes of its use, and he/she further agrees and warrants that if, at any time, he/she feels any equipment/tack are unsafe, he/she will immediately advise his/her instructor and will immediately cease using such equipment/ tack or will immediately correct the condition which makes the equipment/tack unsafe. For example: Saddle girths may loosen during a ride. Upon the riders' awareness of a loose girth, immediate notification to the trainer may prevent sliding of the saddle and a possible fall from the animal. The student must tidy the stable's equipment and premises after use. The stable hours of operation are 9 am to 10 pm, 7 days a week. The student must seek permission of the stable to be on the premises outside of the allotted lesson time and posted stable hours.

Activity Risk & Inspection of Premises. I understand that: Horseback Riding is classified as RUGGED ADVENTURE RECREATIONAL SPORT ACTIVITY and that there are numerous obvious and non-obvious inherent risks always present in such activity despite all safety precautions. Trinity Equestrian Center follows a rigid safety program, yet no horse is a completely safe horse. Horses are 5 to 15 times larger, 20 to 40 times more powerful, and 3 to 4 times faster than a human. If a rider falls from a horse to the ground, it will generally be at a distance of 3½ to 5 feet and the impact may result in injury to the rider. If a horse is frightened or provoked it may divert from its' training and act according to its natural survival instincts. These may include but are not limited to: stopping short, changing directions or speed at will, shifting its weight, bucking, rearing, kicking, biting or running from perceived danger. I understand that: A horse has two blind areas around it in which it cannot see. It cannot see directly behind it or what it is eating. This is the reason it is best to approach a horse calmly and quietly close to the shoulder, and never to surprise a horse from the rear, or to reach first for the horse's mouth. I understand that: Trinity Equestrian Center is NOT responsible for total or partial acts, occurrences or elements of nature that can scare a horse, cause it to fall, or react in some other unsafe way (i.e. thunder & lightning, hail, wind, wild & domestic animals flying or running nearby, insects which may bite or sting a horse, irregular footing, temperature changes, natural or man made landscape changes). The rider and parent/legal guardian have inspected Trinity Equestrian Center facilities and are satisfied that all premise conditions are reasonably safe for rider's intended purpose, usage and presence at Trinity Equestrian Center. facilities. I agree that: Should I require any medical treatment, my own accidental/medical insurance company shall pay for all such incurred expenses.

Liability Release. I agree that: In consideration of Trinity Equestrian Center allowing my participation in this activity, under the terms set forth herein, I, the rider, for myself and on behalf of my child and/or legal ward, heirs, administrators, personal representatives or assigns, do voluntarily agree to hold harmless, warrant to release and discharge Trinity Equestrian Center it's owners and equine professionals, agents, employees, officers, directors, representatives, assigns, members, owners of the premises and trails, affiliated organizations, and insures, and others acting on behalf (hereinafter collectively referred to "Associates"), of and from all claims whatsoever, demands, causes of action and legal liability, whether the same be known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated, or otherwise not herein disclosed due to Trinity Equestrian Center and/or its' Associates ordinary negligence, and I do further agree that except in the event of Trinity Equestrian Center gross negligence and willful and wanton misconduct, I shall not bring any claims, demands, legal actions and cause of action against Trinity Equestrian Center and its' Associates as stated above in this clause, for any economic and noneconomic losses due to bodily injury, death, property damage, sustained by me and/or my minor child or legal ward in relation to the premises and operations of Trinity Equestrian Center, to include while riding, handling, otherwise being near horses owned by or in the care, custody and control of Trinity Equestrian Center whether on or off the premises of Trinity Equestrian Center.

I/We, the undersigned, have read and do understand the foregoing agreement, warnings, release and assumption of risk. I/We do further attest that all facts relating to the applicant's physical condition, experience, and age is true and accurate.

All Riders and Parents or Legal Guardians MUST sign below after reading this entire document:

Signature of Rider Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

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