
RIDING LESSON CONTRACT

DATE _____

I (Parent, Guardian) _____ have contracted with Frosted Farm to give (rider's name) _____ riding lessons.

Riding Lessons are to be paid at the beginning of each month, minimum of 4 lessons in full prior to the start of each month. If payment is not received before the start of each month, the above mentioned rider will be dropped from riding lessons until payment is received.

I understand that it is my responsibility prior to entering the lesson area to inform the riding instructor(s) of any new medical or physical problems which may impact my safety or ability to perform correctly during my scheduled riding lesson.

I understand that lesson times are planned and that I need to be on time. If I am late more than 15 minutes from my scheduled time, my mount will be un-tacked, unless I have made prior arrangements. I further understand that even if I am late the time for ending the lesson will remain as scheduled. The only condition for extending my lesson time is if the riding instructor(s) is not present at the scheduled lesson beginning time.

All approved make-up lesson scheduling will be at the discretion of the riding instructor(s).

I understand that proper attire must be worn for riding lessons which is to be pants, shirt, and shoes/boots with at least a half inch heel (this is a requirement unless medically approved by a physician).

I further understand that Frosted Farm riding instructor(s) reserves the right to discipline a rider. Some examples of reasons for disciplinary actions: disruption to lesson, behavior problems that are unacceptable or unsafe, sexual comments and conduct, disrespect to instructor(s) and/or volunteers, failure to follow program stated policies, rules or instructions, etc...

I further accept that Frosted Farm riding instructor(s) reserves the right to release a rider due to unsafe situations, physical stress to the rider resulting from riding and/or any safety/medical problems that may arise. This type of release from the program will require a prorated refund be issued.

Rider's information files will be held in confidentiality and only shared when necessary to assure the safety of a rider in the lesson or during an official incident review.

“WARNING” Under North Carolina Law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting exclusively from the inherent risks of equine activities.

I am aware of the inherent risks of horseback riding. I further understand that I must be careful while on the property of Frosted Farm and particularly while horses are being handled. Frosted Farm cannot and does not assume any liability for accidents, injury, or death to person or persons. I further have reviewed and understand the content of North Carolina Liability Law which is posted at pasture/arena entrance gate, barn, or trail entrance. Likewise, I accept full responsibility for friends and visitors accompanying myself on Frosted Farm property.

Lesson Policy Standard:

A lesson is 60 minutes in length and is to consist of mounting each rider and tack adjustments, exercises while mounted, cool down time, and dismounting. Please note we consider a lesson starting when the riders enter the arena area. The riding instructor(s) additionally has the responsibility of safety for riders, volunteers, and horses at all times so therefore, the instructor(s) has the right to deviate from the above lesson outline when safety is a concern.

Example: the lesson could be full time as barn management-classroom activities, grooming, tacking up, types of tack, tack cleaning, etc.

General Conduct Policy for Parents, Riders, and Guests during a Frosted Farm Lesson Time:

Important areas used during riding Lesson

- Parent/Rider waiting area is located by the gate entrance to the arena.

Arrival to lesson

- All riders should arrive at least 15 minutes prior to lesson starting, to groom and tack horse; if applicable.
- If previous lesson is in progress or dismounting stay in car or quietly go to parent/ rider waiting area.
- All riders are to wait at parent/ rider waiting area until instructor(s) comes to escort them. *The only people who are to be in the arena are the instructors and riders that are getting ready to ride in current lesson.*
- If you need to talk to the riding instructors about medical or physical problems which may have a safety implication for the current lesson, please do so before the mounting phase of the lesson gets started.

During lesson

- While a riding lesson is in progress all parents, family members, and guests must stay outside of the arena; if you need to move around use driveway. You may only enter arena if asked by an instructor(s) or volunteer.
- No loud noises (clapping, door slamming on cars, loud talking/ laughing, calling to riders, etc.)
- No umbrellas, flash cameras while horses are present.
- No ball playing, tag games, or fast type movement games allowed before, during or after lesson scheduled times.

After lesson

- After lesson the rider will be returned to their parent, guardian or ride.

Disciplinary Policy:

Frosted Farm disciplinary policy has been developed to ensure a safe and conducive environment for all involved in our riding program.

Warning Policy:

Frosted Farm's riding instructor(s) has the right to discipline a rider, parent/guardian, and/or volunteer

1. First offense, if this is a rider; he or she will be removed from the horse.
2. Second offense, if a rider; he or she will be dismissed from the riding lesson for that day.
3. Third offense is final warning. The rider will be removed from horse and suspended from further lessons with Frosted Farm.
4. If the offender is a parent, guardian or volunteer, they will follow the same disciplinary policy and can be dropped from the program on the third offense; in the case of a parent or guardian this will include the rider.

Examples of reasons for disciplinary actions: disruption to class, behavior problems that are unacceptable or unsafe, disrespect to instructor(s) and/or volunteers, failure to follow program stated policies, rules, instructions, etc...

Immediate Termination Policy:

A rider, parent or guardian, volunteer, or instructor(s) will be immediately removed from the Frosted Farm program for sexual comments or sexual conduct.

General Rules:

- All gates and stall doors to be kept closed.
- No entry into feed/hay storage areas without permission.
- No climbing, sitting, or standing on stall doors, fences, or gates (this includes ring).
- Smoking is prohibited.
- No consumption of alcohol beverages or drugs.
- You are responsible for your friends and visitors conduct and safety while on the property of Frosted Farm.
- No running around horses or riding areas.
- All trash to be disposed of in trash barrel.
- No horses to be handled in or out of the stalls without supervision, if needed.
- Always respect others when speaking or socializing.

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the above contract plus all the Frosted Farm policies and rules which I agree to abide by in total and I have received a copy of this contract which includes the Frosted Farm policies and rules. I further understand that if any of the Frosted Farm policies or rules are not followed Frosted Farm has the right to cancel this contract in full without any refund of moneys remaining for this session. Attorney Fees, in any litigation, arbitration, or other proceeding by which one party either seeks to enforce its rights under this Agreement (whether in contract, tort, or both) or seeks a declaration of any rights or obligations under this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be awarded its reasonable attorney fees, and costs and expenses incurred.

ACCEPTED BY:

Signature: _____

Riders Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Phone Parent or Guardian: _____

CELL PHONE FOR EMERGENCY: _____