

EQUINE EVENT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT, LIABILITY RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT
 For Individuals or Families of Adults and Their Legal Minor Age Children and / or Legal Wards

NAME OF EVENT, hereinafter referred to as "EVENT"	EVENT DATE(S) and YEAR
EVENT LOCATION (Street, City, Zip Code)	
EVENT SPONSOR'S NAME, hereinafter known as "SPONSOR".	
SPONSOR'S PHYSICAL LOCATION OR ADDRESS (Street, City, Zip Code)	

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING

- A. AGREEMENT PURPOSE:** I / WE, the below listed individual(s), and the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) thereof if a minor, hereinafter referred to as the PARTICIPANT(S), do hereby agree to attend and participate in the above named equine EVENT which is sponsored by the above named SPONSOR.
- B. AGREEMENT SCOPE AND TERRITORY AND DEFINITIONS:** This agreement shall be legally binding upon me the PARTICIPANT, and the parents or legal guardians thereof if a minor, my heirs, estate, assigns, including all minor children, and personal representatives; and it shall be interpreted according to the laws of the state and county of the SPONSOR'S physical location. This agreement is intended to be valid and binding at all times now and in the future when the SPONSOR permits me (directly or indirectly) to enter the SPONSOR'S PROPERTY, be on the SPONSOR'S property, be near any horse, receive instruction or guidance from the SPONSOR and / or its associates and / or when I ride, drive, and / or am near horses on or off of the SPONSOR'S PROPERTY. Any disputes by the PARTICIPANT shall be litigated in, and venue shall be the county in which the SPONSOR is physically located. This agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as the law permits. If any clause, phrase, or word is in conflict with state law, then that single part is null and void. The terms "HORSE" and "EQUINE" herein shall refer to all equine species. The terms "I", "WE", "ME", "MY" shall herein refer to the PARTICIPANT(S) and the parents or legal guardians thereof if a minor. The "SPONSOR'S PROPERTY" shall refer to any property the SPONSOR owns and / or occupies by loan, permit, rental or lease agreement.
- C. PERSONAL MEDICAL COSTS RESPONSIBILITY AND MEDICAL INSURANCE DISCLOSURE:** I / WE AGREE THAT: Should medical treatment be required for any PARTICIPANT(S) for whom I am responsible, that I and / or my medical insurance shall pay for ALL such incurred expenses.
 ➔ My medical insurance company is _____ My policy number is _____ I do not carry medical insurance
- D. PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY INSURANCE:** I / WE AGREE THAT: I shall be responsible for my negligent acts and the negligent acts of my family members and / or legal wards and animals, and I do carry liability insurance protection for such occurrences now in force under:
(Check one that applies and provide your Insurer's name and policy number).
 HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE POLICY TENANT'S INSURANCE POLICY PERSONAL LIABILITY POLICY FARM OWNER'S POLICY
 INSURANCE COMPANY NAME _____ POLICY NUMBER _____
- E. INHERENT RISKS / ASSUMPTION OF RISKS** I / WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT: Risks, conditions, and dangers are inherent in (meaning an integral part of) horse / equine / animal activities, regardless of all feasible safety measures which can be taken, and I agree to assume them. The inherent risks include, but are not limited to any of the following: The propensity of an animal to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, death, or loss to persons on or around the animal; The unpredictability of an equine's reaction to sounds, sudden movement, unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals; Hazards, including, but not limited to, surface or subsurface conditions; A collision, encounter and / or confrontation with another equine, another animal, a person, or an object; The potential of an equine activity participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury, harm, death, or loss to the PARTICIPANT or to other persons, including but not limited to, failing to maintain control over an equine and / or failing to act within the ability of the PARTICIPANT. 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 horse to ground it will generally be at a distance of from 3 1/2 to 5 1/2 feet, and the impact may result in harm to the rider. Horseback riding, driving and training are activities in which one much smaller, weaker predator animal (the human) tries to impose its will on, and become one unit of movement with, another much larger, stronger prey animal that has a mind of its own (the horse) and each has a limited understanding of the other. If a horse is frightened or provoked it may divert from its training and act according to its natural survival instincts which may include, but are not limited to: Stopping short; Spinning around; Changing directions and / or speed at will; Shifting its weight; Bucking; Rearing; Kicking; Biting; and / or Running from danger. I also acknowledge that these are just some of the risks and I agree to assume others not mentioned above. I am not relying on the SPONSOR to list all possible risks for me.
- F. CONDITIONS OF NATURE WARNING, UNFAMILIAR AND SUDDEN SIGHTS, SOUNDS AND MOVEMENTS WARNING, AND INSPECTION OF PREMISES** I / WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT: The SPONSOR is NOT responsible for total or partial acts, occurrences, or elements of nature and / or sudden and / or unfamiliar sights, sounds and / or sudden movements that can scare a horse, cause it to fall, or react in some other unsafe way. SOME EXAMPLES ARE: Thunder, lightening, rain, wind, wild and domestic animals, insects, reptiles, which may walk, run, or fly near, or bite or sting a horse or person; and irregular footing on out-of-door groomed or wild land which is subject to constant change in condition according to weather, temperature, and natural and man-made changes in landscape. I also understand that these are just some of the risks and I agree to assume others not mentioned above. I am not relying on the SPONSOR to list all possible conditions for me.

