

2012 Equine Activity Release

Natural Valley Ranch LLC

Name: _____ Phone # _____

Alt phone # _____ Address: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

e-mail address _____

This Riding Agreement is for _____ hour(s) of rental time and will be retained on file in the event the Rider engages in this activity at this location in the future.

I _____ do hereby affirm and acknowledge that I have been fully informed of the inherent hazards and risks associated with Horse Riding Instructions/Lessons, transportation of equipment related to the activities, and traveling to and from activity sites of which I am about to engage in. **Inherent hazards and risks include but are not limited to:**

1. Risk of injury from the activity and equipment utilized in Horse Riding is significant including the potential for permanent disability and death
2. Possible equipment failure and/or malfunction of my own or others' equipment
3. My own negligence and/or the negligence of all others, including employees, agents, independent contractors or representatives of Natural Valley Ranch/Chuck and Marie Damler, including but not limited to operator error.
4. The propensity of equine (horse) to behave in dangerous ways that may result in injury to the participant regardless of the equine's previous training and past performance.
5. The inability to predict an equine's (horse's) reaction to sound, movements, unfamiliar environment, objects, persons or animals.
6. Natural hazards including but not limited to surface or subsurface conditions.
7. Propensity of an equine (horse) to run, buck, bite, kick, shy, stumble, rear, trample, scratch, peck, fall, make unpredictable movements, spook, down, jump, butt, step on a persons feet, push or shove without warning or apparent cause.
8. Saddles or bridles may loosen or break which may cause the participant to be jolted or fall.
9. The domesticated animal may also react in a dangerous manner when a condition or treatment is considered hazardous to the welfare of the animal.
10. The potential for a participant to fail to exercise reasonable care, take adequate precautions, or use adequate control when engaging in a domesticated animal activity, including failing to maintain reasonable control of the animal or failing to act in a manner consistent with the person's abilities.
11. Collisions with trees, brush, and other animals or objects.
12. Broken bones, severe injuries to the head, neck, and back which may result in severe impairment or even death.
13. Cold weather and heat related injuries and illness including but not limited to frostnip, frost bite, heat exhaustion, heat stroke, sunburn, hypothermia and dehydration.
14. Exposure to outdoor elements, including but not limited to avalanche, rock fall, inclement weather, thunder and lightning, severe and or varied wind, temperature and all other weather conditions.
15. Attack by or encounter with insects, reptiles, and/or animals.
16. Accidents or illness occurring in remote places where there are no available medical facilities.
17. Fatigue, chill, and/or dizziness, which may diminish my/our reaction time and increase the risk of accident.
18. My sense of balance, physical coordination, and ability to follow instructions.

***I understand the description of these risks is not complete and that unknown or unanticipated risks may result in injury, illness, or death.**

The Rider and the owner have come to an agreement as set forth in this contract. Both parties understand their responsibilities during the term of this Riding Agreement. Any changes to the terms as set forth here are to be made in writing, signed and dated by both parties.

Initials _____ **X (over)**

