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## **DCFHR Farm Rules**

GUEST agrees he/she and his/her guests and invitees will be bound and will abide by these Rules and accepts responsibility for the conduct of his/her guests and invitees according to these Rules.

GUEST acknowledges the Rules include but are not limited to:

- DCFHR safety rules and directions;
- DCFHR's hours of operation;
- Notice of required release and waiver for minors;
- Statement of applicable state equine liability laws;
- Required veterinary care.

DCFHR may revise these Rules from time to time and GUEST agrees any revision shall have the same force and effect as current Rules. Failure, as determined in DCFHR's sole discretion, of GUEST or GUEST's guests and invitees to abide by DCFHR Rules may result in DCFHR declaring GUEST in default hereunder and result in termination of this AGREEMENT. Anyone violating these rules may be subject to being asked to leave the property immediately or being banned from being on the DCFHR property for good.

- DCFHR is located on the private property and is the private home of Daniel S. and Anita M. Meisen. The animals are the private property of the Meisens and are not to be teased, chased, or harassed by boarders or visitors to the farm.
- No cursing, consumption of alcoholic beverages, no smoking on the property; trash is to be properly disposed of. Smoking will be allowed in your personal vehicle only. Due to the potential risk of fire, no smoking will be allowed within twenty (20) feet of hay storage areas, barns or stalls, or anywhere else combustible material may be found. Please dispose of your butts in your personal vehicle, not the ground.
- To bring a guest to the farm, please contact Anita Meisen ahead of time and ask permission; each guest MUST have a signed Liability Release;
- No personal/visiting dogs or non-DCFHR horses are to be brought onto the property.

**GUEST understands that the Meisens are not liable for any injury or death to any person or animal on the farm, nor any damage to boarder's/visitor's vehicles or property.**

**HOURS:** DCFHR will open at 8:00 a.m. and close at sunset. Because the farm is private property, all visitors to DCFHR are requested to call 229-378-5088 before planning to come to the farm.

**CHILDREN SUPERVISION:** All children must be under adult supervision at all times while on the facility grounds. **No child under 16 is allowed to work with or be near a horse.** It is not the responsibility of the DCFHR or the volunteers to supervise children while on DCFHR grounds.

**CLEANLINESS:** It is the responsibility of everyone to help keep the rooms, feeding stalls, pasture areas, and gate areas clean and safe. Brooms and rakes are available, and please return them when finished. Manure piles are for manure only; please put trash in designated trash bags/cans.

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**VEHICLE USAGE AND PARKING:** Motor driven vehicles, with the exception of the Meisens' personal vehicles, the farrier, and the vet, are to be parked away from the main yard area except when unloading heavy supplies, such as feed, hay, and shavings.

**PLEASE DRIVE SLOWLY!!!!** Help us protect people and animals.

**TRAIL RIDING:** DCFHR is allowed limited access to other landowners' properties; riders must be with a DCFHR manager to be allowed access to these properties. Riders must notify someone when leaving the grounds for a trail ride and should carry a cell phone with them. All riders are to be held responsible to stay on designated trails and not to trespass onto any adjacent private property or open field.

**SAFETY:** It is the responsibility of all visitors on DCFHR property to ensure that proper horse safety etiquette is maintained. Any horse and/or rider that is deemed hazardous or a danger to other riders and or visitors/volunteers/participants may be asked to leave by DCFHR management.

**LANDSCAPING:** Horses are allowed to graze on seasonal grass growing but please do not allow horses to graze on planted agriculture and landscaping. Please be careful of some weeds as they may be hazardous to your horse's health. No working or riding of horses in the yard area; please work/ride your horse near the designated parking areas, in the pastures, or away from the main barn areas.

**WASH RACKS/ HORSE WASHING:** Horses should be washed only if the temperatures are warm, if the horse needs medicated shampooing/application of skin medicines, or if you are going to/returning from a ride. The washing of horses is to be confined to the wash rack area only. All manure should be hosed to the side and/or removed. All hoses will be equipped with a shut-off spray nozzle in an effort to conserve water, and the nozzle may not be removed for any reason at any time. Ask before you wash a horse.

### **RESPECT OF OTHERS:**

The GUEST understands and agrees that the facility grounds are to remain at all times suitable for other persons in such area, and that no belligerent, malicious, defamatory, lewd, vulgar, profane, racist, or otherwise objectionable conduct or language will be tolerated. The GUEST hereby consents that his/her conduct will at all times be dignified and civil, and hereby authorizes his/her immediate expulsion and permanent exclusion from the facility grounds if he/she breeches this covenant.

Spending quality time with a horse is precious to all of us. GUESTs will respect the privacy of each individual and not impose on them with gossip, personal problems or unwanted advice.

GUESTs will be held solely responsible for any of their guests on the DCFHR property at all times.

**RELEASE FORMS:** Release forms are required for any person who comes on to the DCFHR property. See management for forms if you cannot locate them in the barn.

**ATTIRE:** Proper equestrian shoes/footwear are recommended to be worn at all times while on the facility grounds.

- Anyone not wearing proper shoes/footwear understands that there is risk involved, that includes but is not limited to being stepped on by a horse. **Absolutely no one is allowed to be barefoot or allowed to wear flip flops, sandals, or bedroom shoes while the person is around horses.**

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- Appropriate clothing is required. No bathing suits, excessively revealing clothing, or any clothing deemed inappropriate by management will be tolerated. Men must wear shirts at all times. No sagging pants or pants that reveal butt crack, nor women's shirts that show cleavage, will be allowed. Tank tops and undershirts are discouraged.
- All riders understand that there is an inherent risk when riding and that it is recommended to always wear a properly fitted and approved riding helmet. If no approved protective equestrian helmet is worn it is at the riders own risk. It is the responsibility of the rider to wear protective headgear.
- Climbing or swinging on gates is not allowed because of the damage caused to the gate hinges and the dangers of slipping or falling.

**GUEST hereby acknowledges receipt and understanding of the current DCFHR farm rules.**

I agree to follow all rules and regulations listed above:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of DCFHR official: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_