



MUSICK EQUESTRIAN CLUB
BARN RULES, POLICIES, AND PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT
For All Riders, Participants, and Guardians of Minors

This document outlines the barn rules and behavior policies at Musick Equestrian Club. It is binding upon all riders, visitors, and their household members. Please review carefully before signing.

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Name of Rider/Participant: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

If under 18:

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

1. Code of Conduct

To ensure the safety, enjoyment, and professionalism of our facility, all riders, visitors, and family members agree to the following:

- **Helmet Policy:**
ASTM/SEI certified helmets are **required** for all mounted riders at all times, regardless of age or experience.
- **Appropriate Footwear:**
All participants must wear **closed-toe boots with a heel. No sneakers, sandals, or open-toe shoes** are allowed around horses.
- **Electric Fencing:**
Electric fences are in operation for the safety of horses and participants. **Do not touch, turn off, or alter** any fencing or gates **without express permission** from Musick Equestrian staff.
- **Gum, Running, and Yelling:**
For safety reasons, **no gum chewing, no yelling, and no running** in the barn, arenas, or pastures.
- **Pasture and Stall Access:**
Do not enter any pasture, paddock, or stall **without direct permission** from Musick Equestrian staff. Never approach or feed horses without supervision.
- **Horse Handling:**
Horses may **only** be handled (caught, led, groomed, tacked) with instructor or staff approval. Unauthorized handling is prohibited.
- **No Smoking, Alcohol, or Illegal Substances:**
Smoking, alcohol, and illegal substances are **strictly prohibited** anywhere on the property.

- **Respect for Property:**
Please respect all barn equipment, supplies, and property.
Report any damage immediately to Musick Equestrian staff.
 - **Personal Conduct:**
Courteous, respectful behavior is expected at all times toward staff, other participants, visitors, and animals.
Rudeness, aggressive behavior, or unsafe conduct will not be tolerated.
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2. Scheduling, Cancellations, and Attendance

- **Cancellation Policy:**
Cancellations must be made **at least 24 hours in advance**.
Cancellations with less than 24 hours' notice, unless due to **verified emergencies** (such as sudden illness or accident), will be considered a **strike**.
 - **No-Call/No-Show Policy:**
Failing to attend a scheduled lesson without providing notice will be considered a **strike**.
 - **Three-Strike Policy:**
Each **household** is allowed **three strikes**. Strikes may result from:
 - No-call/no-show for a scheduled lesson
 - Last-minute cancellations (less than 24 hours' notice, non-emergency)
 - Repeated violations of barn rules or behavior expectations
 - Upon reaching three strikes, the household may be **dismissed from the program without refund** of any prepaid lessons, packages, or memberships.
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3. Assumption of Risk and Acknowledgement

All riders and visitors understand that participation in equine activities carries inherent risks. Participants and guardians affirm that they have read and agree to comply with all Musick Equestrian Club policies, and that failure to comply may result in dismissal from the property and program.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & SIGNATURES

By signing below, I confirm that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the rules, policies, and standards of Musick Equestrian Club.

Participant Signature (if 18 or over): _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (if under 18): _____ **Date:** _____

