Painted Valley Farms

Summer Horse Camp Liability Release Form

This form is to be completed and signed before camp session begins.

Please read this form carefully to ensure your understanding of your liability while at Painted Valley Farms (hereinafter referred to PVF).

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY AGREES AS FOLLOWS:

1. That I, the undersigned, for my child(ren), hereby voluntarily request to participate in activities at and around PVF. These activities include, but are not limited to, riding, leading, brushing and being around horses under the supervision of a PVF camp counselor.

2. That I, as parent or legal guardian, understand that upon mounting the horse, and taking up the reins, the rider is in primary control of the horse, and that PVF is not responsible for the results of the rider's actions or inactions. I agree that should my child(ren) abuse, misuse or deliberately agitate the horse that these actions may result in increased risk to my child(ren) and/or others.

3. I understand and agree that these activities will be on and around horses. I realize that even under well-supervised conditions, there is still risk involved. Horseback riding is a **rugged adventure recreational sport activity**, and that there are numerous obvious and non-obvious inherent risks always present. 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 a horse to the ground it will generally be at a distance of from 3 ½ feet to 5 ½ feet, and the impact may result in injury to the rider. 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 not be limited to: Stopping short, changing directions or speed at will, shifting it's weight, bucking, biting, kicking, or running away from danger. <u>I, for my child(ren), hereby expressly assume any and all risks associated with their interaction with and riding of horses on and around PVF, including, without limitation, any injury to my child(ren)</u>.

4. <u>Conditions of nature and inspection of premises</u>: I understand that PVF is not responsible for total or partial acts or occurrences, or elements of nature that can scare a horse and cause it to react in some unsafe way. Some examples are: wind, thunder, rain, wild and domestic animals, insects, and natural or man-made changes in landscape. As the parent or legal guardian I have inspected PVF's facility and are satisfied that all premises conditions are reasonably safe for rider's intended purpose, usage and presence upon this property.

5. <u>Protective headgear warning</u>: I understand that my child(ren) will wear protective headgear (riding helmet), and do understand that the wearing of such headgear while mounting, riding, dismounting, may prevent or reduce severity of some head injuries and may even prevent death from happening as the result of a fall or other occurrence. **ALL** camp students are required to wear riding helmets while mounted.

6. <u>Accident/Medical Insurance</u>: I agree that if emergency medical treatment is required for my child(ren), my own medical insurance company shall pay for all such incurred expenses. I agree that should my child(ren) require emergency medical treatment that the Camp Manager may authorize medical treatment of my child(ren) as deemed necessary by paramedics or doctors until such time that I arrive on the scene.

7. <u>Rules</u>: I agree that my child(ren) will abide by PVF rules at all times while on or around the PVF premises, with the full understanding that my child(ren) may be asked to leave at anytime if found to be violation of the rules. Rules will be covered in depth on the first day of camp and a copy will be sent home to parents or legal guardian for review.

8. <u>Missed Camp Days</u>: We understand that there are circumstances beyond our control (illness, injury, etc.) that may prevent you and/or your child(ren) from attending the entire camp session. We ask that notification be made to the Camp Manager by 8 a.m. on the day that your child(ren) will miss so camp activities are not delayed waiting for your child to arrive. Camp days can not be made up. However, if serious illness or injury prevents your child(ren) from attending more than 3 days of camp an effort will be made to place your child in the next available session.

9. **<u>RELEASE</u>: <u>I will not hold PVF or its owners, employees or agents liable for any accident or injury to me, and/or my child(ren), any person accompanying me, or for loss or damage to any personal property belonging to me. I, for my child(ren), and my and their successors and assigns, do hereby release, acquit and forever discharge PVF and its owners, officers, employees and agents, from any and all actions, causes of actions, suits, claims, promises, damages, demands and expenses of any kind whatsoever, in law or in equity, arising out of or related to my or our activities on and around PVF, including, without limitation, riding horses.</u>**

Parent or Guardian Signature (if the participant is under the age of 18):

I hereby certify that I am the parent or legal guardian of the child whose signature appears above. I have explained the assumptions of the risk contained herein to the child and believe that the child reasonably understands the risks involved and is willing to assume these risks. I believe that the child understands the release of liability in favor of Painted Valley Farms, and that the child has freely tendered such release and intends to be bound by its provisions. As parent or legal guardian of the child, I hereby ratify the provisions of the foregoing agreement and agree to be bound by its provisions.

Signature of parent or legal guardian_____ Date_____

Printed name of parent or legal guardian_____

Print full name(s) of camper(s). Circle the appropriate skill level that best describes your camper(s) ability.

Name of camper_____ Age_____   Never Ridden   Beginner   Intermediate   Advanced

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