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MZ Equestrian Hunt Seat IEA Team

Coach Kiri Baldi, Coach Jamie Lund, and Team Manager Cathy Muzzy, would like to welcome you to the MZ Equestrian Hunt Seat IEA Team (IEA Zone 10, Region 1). The information in this packet can help you finalize your decision for participation on our team and can also be used as a reference for our policies. Please make sure you read all the rules and regulations governing IEA at www.rideiea.org



Why Should I (or My Child) Join the MZ IEA Team?

IEA provides an affordable way for your child to experience showing without the expense of ownership or horse leasing. Joining the team is the next step in continuing your child's riding career past the recreational level of weekly lessons. The team is a big commitment both timewise and financially. A rider is ready to join the team when they can correctly demonstrate control at all gaits on a variety of horses and have the desire to be more involved in this sport.

For riders who own/lease and show their own horse, IEA is a valuable addition to your equestrian resume if you would like to ride for an IHSA team in college and a great way to develop teamwork and lasting barn friendships.

MZ Equestrian IEA Team Staff and Facility Location



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[Google Map](#)

Team Rider Guidelines

The decision to join MZ Equestrian IEA is a big one and reflects commitment to the team for the entire IEA season (August through post-season competition at Regionals/Zones/Nationals).

Each rider is required to attend all scheduled team events. If you are unable to attend, you must communicate with Coach Baldi, Coach Lund, or Team Manager Muzzy well in advance. Riders that continually miss events may be required to perform extra tasks to make up for absences.



- Riders are expected to only share comments that are helpful, kind, and true. Our team will have no place for those who are unkind.
- Have a positive attitude, respect your teammates and coaches.
- Be on time to all practices, team rides, and horse shows.
- Wear proper attire for practices and shows.
- Come with a coachable attitude: work hard and try your best.
- All horses must be cared for before and after rides and tack must be cleaned. Please plan accordingly with your time.
- Good sportsmanship is an expectation! Excellent sportsmanship is recognized with an award at every show and with a national award at the end of every season. Riders who have earned the sportsmanship award during the regular season or in post-season competition are eligible to apply for the National Sportsmanship Award.

Parent Guidelines



Parents are an integral part of our team. We need you! We appreciate your support and volunteer contributions! Here are our expectations for parents:

- Make sure rider attends all scheduled team events. If your child must miss, please email, text, or call the coaches well in advance and offer solutions for making up missed team obligations.
- Let the coaches coach and be supportive of each rider.
- Keep your IEA team balance paid and up-to-date.
- Support the entire Team by helping with sponsorship and fundraising events.
- Complete the team application and waiver forms.
- Aid in preparations for horse shows. Including but not limited to:
 - Driving riders to/from practices and shows.
 - Booking hotel rooms for away shows and post season shows.
 - Purchasing snacks and/or meals while competing at shows.
 - Bring set up items for shows including chairs, coolers, etc.
 - Attending practices and horse shows to support your child and the team.
 - Stay out of the paddock and mounting area during shows to allow coaches and riders to do their thing.

Riding Commitment

The coaches will choose a division for each rider based on the team member's riding level and eligibility. All riders are required to take a minimum of 1 weekly lesson at MZ Equestrian or its approved affiliates including Baldi Barn, Lund Equestrian, or other with trainer approval. During the season, there may also be 1 monthly scheduled IEA-specific lesson. It is highly encouraged that all riders attend all IEA lessons

offered as well as any IEA clinics offered during school breaks. No scheduled IEA team lesson make-up times will be provided.

During the off-season, riders are encouraged to take a minimum of weekly lessons. Yearly placements for riders will be dependent on your level of commitment during the off-season.

In our sport, riding once per week is not considered an adequate amount of riding for the timely advancement of a rider. Our Region and our Zone are highly competitive and most riders are lessoning a minimum of 2 times a week but the vast majority ride 3-5 days a week plus horse show on at least a regular basis. There is no requirement to ride in lessons, hack, or horse show more than the minimum one lesson per week; however, results at the horse shows will be indicative of the level of commitment to riding which includes the number of times per week each student is actively riding. The best thing you/your student can do to increase the likelihood of success in the IEA show ring is to increase their saddle time.

Attire for Team Practice

Shirt with sleeves and a collar, riding pants with a belt, boots and half chaps or tall boots. Each member of the team must also supply their own riding helmet for practices and shows.

Attire for IEA Shows

All riders need hunt seat show clothes which consist of the following:

- White show shirt
- Show jacket in black or dark navy
- Tan or beige breeches with no piping or textural patterns
- Paddock boots and garters or tall boots
- Show helmet with hair secured with a hair net or in braids and bows
- Belt
- Gloves – Black
- Crop – plain black with wrist strap removed

Monthly IEA Practice/Lessons

Each month there will be one Sunday IEA-focused lesson. It is meant to better prepare riders for the IEA horse shows by allowing for the changing of horses, riding new horses, and working on the most common tests seen at the horse shows. The lesson will also include a horsemanship section that will be required for all riders who attend the lesson.

The monthly lesson is mandatory and is included in the program cost. If a rider misses the scheduled IEA lesson, make-up lessons are not provided by a rider's regular weekly lesson may be adapted as necessary to better prepare them for the IEA shows. This could include switching horses during a lesson, having extra flatwork lessons to include testing, riding unfamiliar horses, having a groundwork/horsemanship lesson in exchange for riding, etc. Open and Intermediate Riders are asked to come early and help with the other practice sessions for the two July practices. All riders will be expected to arrive 30 minutes prior to their scheduled lesson time to groom, tack, and prepare their assigned horse. All riders will be expected to remain on-site for at least 30 minutes following your scheduled lesson time to un-tack, clean, groom your horse.

IEA Lesson Schedule:

8:30am	Open & Intermediate Riders Arrive to Prepare horses
9:00am – 10:15am	Open & Intermediate Rider Practice
10:15am – 11:30am	Intermediate & Novice Rider Practice
11:30am – 12:45pm	Beginner Rider Practice
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Team Event/Meeting (when scheduled)

2025-2026 IEA Lesson Dates Included in Team Fee

Please refer to the MZ IEA calendar also provided.

Sunday, July 6th – Rider Assessment

Sunday, July 27th – Practice #1 with Parent/Team Meeting to follow at 1:00pm

Sunday, August 10th – Practice #2 Potluck Lunch to Follow

Sunday, August 24th – 7:30AM – 3:00PM Practice #3 **Team Photos/ Schooling Clinic with IEA Judge**

Sunday, September 14th / Practice #4 **(Date Changed 6/10 to accommodate show)**

Sunday, October 5th - Practice #5

Sunday, November 2nd – Practice #6

Sunday, December 14th – Practice #7

Sunday, January 4th – Practice #8

IEA Practice Show & From the Judge's Perspective Schooling Clinic

The practice on **Sunday, August 24th** from 7:30AM – 3:00PM will be set up as a practice **IEA Schooling Show and Clinic with USEF R and IEA Judge Melissa Kalember**. Judge Kalember will provide classroom style instruction and then riders will take to the ring on their assigned horses. Once each “class” concludes” Melissa will provide riders with a scorecard and constructive feedback about their ride(s). This show will include both OF (over fences) and flat classes for qualified riders. Beginner riders will only participate in flat classes.

Lunch will be provided for team riders. Parents and guests may “audit” the clinic for a \$25 per person fee that will support the cost of hospitality and restroom rental for this event. No ribbons or prizes will be awarded as this is strictly an instructional clinic designed to set our riders up for success for the 2025-2026 IEA season.

Rider Placement and Eligibility

The first practice will include a rider placement assessment. This initial placement will reassessed prior to the first show. Please note that riders will be competing at a lower level than what they currently show at outside of IEA due to the added challenge of getting on an unfamiliar horse and competing with little or no practice on that horse. Horses and tack will be supplied by the show host(s).

All initial placements for riders must be within the same class eligibility level. Competing in two different levels is permitted only when a rider “points-out” “in the flat.

Once a rider has competed in a division, the rider may not move to a lower level division unless directed to do so by the IEA National Steward. No rider who has competed successfully in at least 2 IEA sanctioned shows in a specific division will be permitted to ride in a lower level division, unless he/she provides proof of diminished riding ability. Please keep this in mind as your child is placed into their competition classes as they will not be allowed to move down a division if they are unsuccessful in a higher division.

If a rider accumulates **29 points in a class in regular show season competitions** in any single competition year, that rider points out and must, during the next competition year, move up at least one division in order to be eligible to ride in any future IEA shows.

Please review the class list below so that you better understand the requirements of the riders for placement in each division. The Hunt Seat tests referenced in the class descriptions are located just below the descriptions themselves. Understand that the level your child rides/jumps at home on our program horses should be higher than what they are looking to compete in an IEA setting.

IEA Divisions and Classes

CLASS 1. Varsity Open Equitation o/f 2'6" ("OPEN")

Open to riders in grades 9-12. Riders should be capable of jumping 3'-3'6" on their usual mounts at home. Coaches should be confident these riders could safely perform over a 2'6" equitation course on an unfamiliar horse. Riders participating in Open Over Fences are expected to compete throughout the season in Open Flat. To be eligible for post-season competitions in individual classes, riders must have accumulated the required **18 points** and participated in a minimum of two (2) Open Flat classes. To be eligible for post-season competition in team classes, riders must have participated in a minimum of two (2) Open over Fences and (2) Open Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 2. Varsity Open Equitation on the flat ("OPEN")

Open to riders in grades 9-12. These riders should be capable of performing Hunt Seat Tests 1 - 16. To be eligible for post season competition in Individual classes riders must have accumulated the required **18 points**. To be eligible for post season competition in Team classes riders must have participated in a minimum of two (2) Open Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 3. Varsity Intermediate Equitation o/f 2' ("INTERMEDIATE")

Open to riders in grades 9-12. Riders should be capable of jumping 2'6"-3' on their usual mounts at home. Intermediate riders are not allowed to have shown over fences higher than 3' (0.90 meters) in any Section 1 or Section 2 competition (Rule 3101) in any discipline. Riders who have won 10 or more blue ribbons at 3' (0.90 meters) at any Section 1 or Section 2 competition (Rule 3101) in any discipline are not eligible for Intermediate classes. Coaches should be confident these riders would be able to safely perform over a 2' equitation course on an unfamiliar horse. Riders participating in Intermediate Over Fences are expected to compete throughout the season in Intermediate Flat or Open Flat. To be eligible for post season competitions in Individual classes riders must have accumulated the required **18 points** and participated in a minimum of two (2) Intermediate or Open Flat classes. To be eligible for post season competition in Team classes riders must have participated in a minimum of two (2) Intermediate Over Fences and two (2) Intermediate or Open Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 4. Varsity Intermediate Equitation on the flat ("INTERMEDIATE")

Open to riders in grades 9-12. These riders should be capable of performing Hunt Seat Tests 1 - 13. To be eligible for post season competition in Individual classes riders must have accumulated the required **18 points**. To be eligible for post season competition in Team classes riders must have participated in a minimum of two (2) Intermediate Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 5. Junior Varsity Novice Equitation o/f x-rails ("NOVICE")

Open to riders in grades 9-12. Riders should be capable of jumping 2'-2'6" on their usual mounts at home. Novice riders are not allowed to have shown over fences higher than 2'6" (0.75 meters) in any Section 1 or Section 2 competition (Rule 3101) in any discipline. Riders who have won 10 or more blue ribbons at 2'6" (0.75 meters) are not eligible for Novice classes. Riders should have a minimum of one year of professional instruction over fences. Coaches should be confident these riders would be able to safely perform over a x-rails equitation course on an unfamiliar horse. Riders participating in Novice Over Fences are expected to compete throughout the season in Novice Flat or Intermediate Flat. To be eligible for post season competition in Individual classes riders must have accumulated the required **18 points** and participated in a minimum of two (2) Novice or Intermediate Flat classes. To be eligible for post season competitions in Team classes riders must have participated in a minimum of two (2) Novice Over Fences and two (2) Novice or Intermediate Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 6. Junior Varsity Novice Equitation on the flat ("NOVICE")

Open to riders in grades 9-12. These riders should be capable of performing Hunt Seat Tests 1 - 10. To be eligible for post season competition in Individual classes riders must have accumulated the required **18 points**. To be eligible for post season competition in Team classes riders must have participated in a minimum of two (2) Novice Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 7. Junior Varsity Beginner Equitation on the flat Walk/Trot/Canter ("BEGINNER")

Open to riders in grades 9-12 who are not eligible for Novice level jumping classes but must be experienced enough to canter on an unfamiliar animal in a group. These riders should be capable of performing Hunt Seat Tests 1 through 7. Beginner riders are not allowed to have shown over fences higher than 2' (0.60 meters) in any Section 1 or Section 2 competition (Rule 3101) in any discipline. To be eligible for Class 7, a rider must have had at least one year continuous professional instruction, must demonstrate proficiency at the trot and canter, and be capable of competing on a variety of unfamiliar horses. Riders may not cross-enter into class Class 8 Walk/Trot. To be eligible for post season competition in Individual classes riders must have accumulated the required **18 points**. To be eligible for post season competition in Team classes riders must have participated in a minimum of two (2) Beginner Walk/Trot/Canter Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 8. Junior Varsity Beginner Equitation on the flat Walk/Trot ("BEGINNER")

Open to riders in grades 9-12 who meet criteria for Class 7 but are not yet ready to compete on an unfamiliar horse at a canter. To be eligible for Class 8, riders must have at least six months continuous professional instruction, must demonstrate proficiency at a trot, and must be capable of competing on a variety of unfamiliar horses. These riders should be capable of performing Hunt Seat Tests 1 - 5. Individual points will be tracked in Class 8 Walk/Trot for post season qualification. No team points will be awarded in Class 8 Walk/Trot during regular or post season shows. Reference rule 3205.2 for advancement criteria. Riders may not cross-

enter Class 7 Walk/Trot/Canter. To be eligible for post season competition in Individual classes riders must have accumulated the required **18 points**.

CLASS 9. Future Intermediate Equitation o/f 2' ("INTERMEDIATE")

Open to riders in grades 4-8 who meet the criteria for Hunt Seat Class 1 or 3. Riders participating in Future Intermediate Over Fences are expected to compete throughout the season in Future Intermediate Flat. To be eligible for post season competition in Individual classes riders must have accumulated the required **18 points** and participated in a minimum of two (2) Intermediate Flat classes. To be eligible for post-season competition in Team classes riders must have participated in a minimum of two (2) Intermediate Over Fences and two (2) Intermediate Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 10. Future Intermediate Equitation on the flat ("INTERMEDIATE")

Open to riders in grades 4-8 who are capable of performing Hunt Seat Tests 1 - 13. To be eligible for post season competition in Individual classes riders must have accumulated the required **18 points**. To be eligible for post season competition in Team classes riders must have participated in a minimum of two (2) Intermediate Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 11. Future Novice o/f x-rails ("NOVICE")

Open to riders in grades 4-8 who meet the criteria for Hunt Seat Class 5. Riders participating in Future Novice Over Fences are expected to compete throughout the season in Future Novice or Future Intermediate Flat. To be eligible for post season competition in Individual classes riders must have accumulated the required **18 points** and participated in a minimum of two (2) Novice or Intermediate Flat classes. To be eligible for post-season competition in Team classes riders must have participated in a minimum of two (2) Novice Over Fences and two (2) Novice or Intermediate Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 12. Future Novice Equitation on the flat ("NOVICE")

Open to riders in grades 4-8 who are capable of performing Hunt Seat Tests 1 - 10. To be eligible for post season competition in Individual classes riders must have accumulated the required **18 points**. To be eligible for post season competition in Team classes riders must have participated in a minimum of two (2) Novice Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 13. Future Beginner Equitation on the flat Walk/Trot/Canter ("BEGINNER")

Open to riders in grades 4-8 who meet the eligibility requirements of Hunt Seat Class 7. These riders should be capable of performing Hunt Seat Tests 1 - 7. Riders may not cross-enter Class 14 Walk/Trot. To be eligible for post season competition in Individual classes riders must have accumulated the required **18 points**. To be eligible for post season competition in Team classes riders must have participated in a minimum of two (2) Beginner Walk/Trot/Canter Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 14. Future Beginner Equitation on the flat Walk/Trot ("BEGINNER")

Open to riders in grades 4-8 who meet the criteria for Hunt Seat Beginner Class 8. To be eligible for Class 14, riders must have at least six months continuous professional instruction, must demonstrate proficiency at a trot, and must be capable of competing on a variety of unfamiliar horses. Individual points will be tracked in Class 14 Walk/Trot for post season qualification. No team points will be awarded in Class 14 Walk/Trot during regular or post season shows. These riders should be capable of performing Hunt Seat Tests 1 - 5. Riders may not cross-enter Class 13 Walk/Trot/Canter. To be eligible for post season competition in Individual classes riders must have accumulated the required **18 points**.

Hunt Seat Tests

A rider must be prepared to perform the test appropriate for the class in which the rider is participating. Riders may be requested to perform the following tests collectively or individually during a show or competition. A Hunt Seat judge may choose from the following tests using tests:

- 1-5 for Beginner Walk/Trot riders
- 1-7 for Beginner W/T/C riders
- 1-10 for Novice riders
- 1-13 for Intermediate riders
- 1-16 for Open riders

1. Asked an appropriate horsemanship question that is tailored to the rider's ability level
2. Halt
3. Sitting trot
4. Two-point position at the walk and/or trot
5. Figure eight at trot, demonstrating change of diagonals
6. Figure eight at canter on correct lead, demonstrating simple change of lead
7. Change horses

8. Ride without stirrups at the trot
9. Jump a shortened course
10. Trot a jump
11. Ride without stirrups at the canter
12. Change leads down center of ring, demonstrating simple change of lead
13. Half-turn on forehand and/or half-turn on haunches
14. Canter on the counter lead.
15. Hand gallop
16. Jump without stirrups

** Jumping tests are only used in over fences classes

Judging Guidelines and Perspective

In all IEA classes, good horsemanship is paramount. Judges are to find the "Best Riders" and not necessarily the best mount. However, one must understand that the horse has a significant impact on the quality of the ride. Because of the random draw component, this cannot be controlled and must be accepted.

In equitation classes, only the rider is being judged; therefore, no penalty should be assessed because of the horse's conformation, color, or way of going. Riders will be judged on seat, hands, ability to control and show the horse.

Any rider not having his/her mount under sufficient control shall be removed from the ring by the stewards and shall be disqualified or remounted at their discretion.

Hand and Seat

Rider should have a competent appearance, seat, and hands light and supple, conveying the impression of complete control should any emergency arise.

To mount, take up the reins in the left hand and place hand on withers. Grasp stirrup leather with right hand, insert foot in stirrup, and mount. To dismount, rider may either step down or slide down. The size of the rider must be taken into consideration.

Hands should be over and in front of horse's withers, knuckles 30 degrees inside the vertical, hands slightly apart and making a straight line from the horse's mouth to the rider's elbow. Method of holding reins is optional but all reins must be picked up at the same time.

The eyes should be up and shoulders back. Toes should be at an angle best suited to the rider's conformation, ankles flexed, heels down, calf of leg in contact with the horse and slightly behind the girth. Irons should be on ball of foot.

Hunt Seat Class Routine

Over Fences

The performance begins when the horse enters the ring or is given the signal to proceed after entering the ring. Except for refusals, jumping faults of the horse are not to be considered unless it is the fault of the rider. Except in combinations, number of strides shall not be considered unless it is the fault of the rider. Although a flying lead change is preferable, a well-executed simple change must not be penalized.

Each contestant may include one courtesy circle, if desired, before approaching the first jump. He or She shall then proceed around the course, keeping an even pace throughout. Three (3) cumulative refusals will result in elimination.

On the Flat

Contestants shall enter the ring and shall proceed at least once around the ring at each appropriate gait

and on command, reverse and repeat.

Light contact with the horse's mouth is required. Entries shall then line up on command, and any or all riders may be required to execute any appropriate tests included in class requirements.

At the walk, sitting trot, and canter, body should be a couple of degrees in front of the vertical; posting trot, inclined forward; galloping and jumping same inclination as the posting trot.

2025-2026 Horse Show Schedule .

Riders are eligible to participate in up to 5 regular season IEA shows. Riders may not participate in more than 5 IEA regular season shows but can qualify for participation in post-season shows such as Regionals, Zones and Nationals based upon their points in each class. Riders who qualify for post season events will need to budget for additional entry fees and travel expenses if they choose to participate.

San Diego is part of Zone 10, Region 1. Our region's shows are primarily held in the San Diego and Los Angeles Counties. We will also need to host one show each season at our barn, which will mean that each team member will need to volunteer and work at these events

Regional Finals are usually in February. To qualify for Regional Finals, a rider must earn **18+ points** in a class during the regular season shows. Teams earning 20+ points will qualify for Region Finals.

Zone Finals are usually in late March or early April. To qualify for Zone Finals, a rider must **earn 1st, 2nd, or 3rd**, in a class an individual class at Regional Finals. To qualify for Zone Finals, a team must earn 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in Region Finals.

National Finals are usually held in late April. To qualify for National Finals, a rider must earn **1st place** in an individual class at Zone Finals or be the high point rider for the zone in the Varsity Open Division. For the 2025-2026 year, the National Finals are scheduled to take place in St. Louis, Missouri in April 2026. For a team to qualify for National Finals, the team must earn 1st place at Zone Finals.

Regular-Season Shows:

The 2025-2026 IEA Region 1 Horse Show Schedule has not yet been finalized but you can refer to our **2025-2026 MZ IEA Calendar** for tentative show dates for the regular IEA season.

Post-Season Shows:

Region 1 Finals: February 14 -15, 2026 at LA Equestrian Center (Burbank, CA)

Zone 10 Finals: March 21 – 22, 2026 at LA Equestrian Center (Burbank, CA)

National Finals: April 23-26, 2026 St. Louis Equestrian Fair Grounds (St. Louis, MO)

Horse Show Weekend Schedule

The following is an approximate show weekend schedule for when we are planning to haul-in to horse shows on Friday or Saturday afternoons with the horses, show on Saturday or Sunday, and leave with the horses Saturday or Sunday evening after the conclusion of the show. There may be minor changes based on show venues and the actual date of the show (some shows are on Sunday), but those will be discussed around the individual shows.

Thursday/Friday Afternoon

Horses are prepared to go to the show. This includes getting them bathed and clipped. Tack will also be prepared for the show with a thorough cleaning. All necessary tack, equipment, feed, etc. will be loaded into the trailer for the show the next day.

Friday/Saturday Afternoon

Horses are loaded onto the trailer and hauled to the show facility. Stalls are set up with hay, water buckets, fans (if needed,) and shavings.

Show Day (Saturday or Sunday)

Every show's schedule runs differently, but the class schedule will be available in advance and discussed with the team members so that they know approximately when they will be showing. **All riders are expected to be present on the show grounds from the end of AM schooling until after the last classes when the team photo is taken except in cases of emergency.** There are two sections of the day – morning classes and afternoon classes.

The morning horses are generally schooled starting around 7AM. There is then a course walk and a trainers' meeting, during which time AM riders should be getting ready to compete and riders not showing in the first few morning classes should be getting AM horses ready for the show. Riders who compete in the afternoon or riders who have already competed in the morning are expected to help prepare and hold MZ Equestrian or show host horses outside of the arena during the AM classes and to get them rest and water as time allows. Generally, there is a second schooling of the day for horses that will be used in the afternoon that weren't used in the morning. Then the remainder of the classes will be held. Again, it is every rider's responsibility to help hold our horses.

At the end of the show day, all ribbons earned will be hung on the banner and we will get a team photo with all riders who competed that day. Afterwards, tack, equipment, and horses will be loaded back onto the trailer to be taken back to the ranch. At the ranch, horses, tack, and equipment will be unloaded and placed back into the trailer, barn or taken off for cleaning if necessary.

Horse Show Chores

For shows where we help provide horses or that we host, a Sign-Up Genius or Google Sign-up will be sent out prior to each horse show with different places for team members and parents to sign up to contribute to the horse show. Team members are expected to help with as much as possible during the show weekend but are only required to sign up for one major group.

Group 1 (Thursday/Friday Afternoon): in charge of preparing horses for the horse show as well as their necessary equipment other than tack. This will include grooming/bathing/drying horses, pulling manes, clipping, etc. and then wrapping the horses in their stalls for the night. Group 1 will also be responsible for loading hay, feed, shavings, MZ Equestrian Banner, and all other equipment needed for the horse shows outside of tack. Also responsible for taking apart all tack, cleaning and conditioning tack, putting tack back together and making sure it is fitted appropriately to the horses, and then loading the tack including nametags, bridles, saddles, saddle pads, girths, etc. into the trailer.

Group 2 (Friday/Saturday Afternoon): meets Coach Baldi, Coach Lund, or Team Manager Muzzy at the ranch to load the horses and any last minute supplies onto the trailer, then meets Coach Baldi, Coach Lund, or Team Manager Muzzy at the show grounds in order to unload the trailer, set up the stalls for the horses, and set up the tack room.

Group 3 (All Saturday/Sunday): This group is responsible for tacking horses for AM schooling as well as any longeing or other prep that horses may need prior to being schooled or shown, and for stall chores for the horses at the show. This includes cleaning stalls, filling waters, monitoring hay, noticing abnormal horse behavior and reporting it to Coach Baldi, Coach Lund, or Team Manager Muzzy, etc. This group is also responsible for getting PM horses tacked and to the schooling ring on time and bringing water up to the rings for the horses as necessary.

Group 4 (Saturday/Sunday Evening): responsible for meeting Coach Baldi, Coach Lund, or Team Manager Muzzy at the ranch to unload the horses, tack, and equipment that the team loaded onto the trailer after the show. This may include hosing off horses used in PM classes, feeding horses at the ranch if not able to be fed at the show grounds, and putting them back into their corrals or stalls.

PLEASE NOTE that active participation in the entire show day is expected from all riders. While riders may have only one assigned chore, a good teammate will help others to keep everything running smoothly and the horses happy.

Hosting Horse Shows

Our team will be responsible for co-hosting or hosting at least one horse show per year. When we host a show, we are responsible for every aspect of that show including providing and preparing horses, managing the show schedule, preparing the facility, preparing hospitality, renting portable restrooms, securing show officials, etc. Every rider and a parent or guardian will be expected to support this show. There will be a list of volunteer positions available for team parents to choose from for the show. This list includes:

- Show Planning Coordinator – Orders Ribbons, Rentals, Communication
- Parking Volunteers – Day of Event Position to help get folks safely parked
- Prize/Ribbon Volunteers – Day of Event Position to help organize and distribute ribbons and prizes
- Jump Crew – Assists in setting the jumps and moving them as needed for the schedule
- Announcer – Announces each rider in each class, instructions for the flat classes, and results
- Show Scribe – Sits with Judge for Flat Classes to help document observations and notes
- Runner – Runs scorecards to Show Secretary and delivers the officials snacks and lunch
- Hospitality Coordinator – organizes morning hospitality and orders lunches for officials
- Barn/Horse Coordinator – organizes team of groomers, tack, horse preparation crew
- In-Gate Coordinator – keeps the show moving along by getting horses/riders in and out of arena
- Show Secretary Assistant/Score Keeper – tracks and documents results and team scores
- Photographer – takes candid photos and class results photos for show social media
- Set-up and Clean-up Crew – set up show day prior, clean up show at conclusion

IEA Team Fees and Financial Requirements

Payable to IEA:

\$70 Annual Membership paid directly to IEA National by July 6, 2025 to be eligible for our 1st practice.

Team Fees Payable to MZ:

\$2,850	Open and Intermediate Rider Fee (See payment schedule below)
\$2,600	Novice Rider Fee (See payment schedule below)
\$2,000	Beginner/Flat Only Rider Fee (See payment schedule below)
\$200	Per Rider Team Sponsorship Fee (Can be paid by Sponsor or Directly)

\$219-258 **Optional Team Show Shirt and Team Jacket** (\$119-\$158 Show Shirt \$100 Jacket)

Total Breakdown of Team Fees Explained:

\$200 - Team Admin Fee includes: Team Insurance, Team Membership Fee to IEA, Team Photos, Consumable Grooming Supplies (shampoo, show sheen, clipper blades, hoof oil, brushes, towels, etc.)

\$800 – Practices/Clinic – 9 Total Practices including Team Assessment and Clinic/Schooling Show

\$500 or \$275 - Coaching/Rail Fees for 5 Regular Season Shows:

- \$100 each for Open/Intermediate/Novice for 5 Regular Season Shows = \$500
- \$55 each for Beginner for 5 Regular Season Shows = \$275

\$550 or \$275 - Entry Fees for 5 Regular Season Shows: Riders may participate in a maximum of 5 shows per season. Each show is one day. Riders must do a minimum of 2 shows per season to be on the team, and 3 shows to be eligible to compete in Post Season.

- \$110 each for Open/Intermediate/Novice for 5 Regular Season Shows = \$550
- \$55 each for Beginner for 5 Regular Season Shows = \$275

\$800, \$550 or \$450 - Horse Use Fee

- \$800 each for Open/Intermediate
- \$550 for Novice Riders
- \$450 each for Beginner Riders

Optional: \$119 - \$158 Team Show Shirt (Youth or Ladies' Sizes) and \$100 for Team Jacket

Payment Schedule of Fees:

Fees are due and payable to MZ Equestrian via ZELLE to cmuzzy@mzequestrian.com, Check, Cash, or CC/ACH Transfer with 3% convenience fee added by the 1st of every month as per the schedule noted below:

May – July	IEA Application & Fee \$70.00 (Paid to National IEA)
July 1, 2025:	Team Application Due - Email completed application to Cathy Muzzy Team Deposit \$400.00 Due via Zelle, Cash, check or ACH/CC
August 1, 2025:	Open/Intermediate Riders: \$600.00 Novice Riders: \$600.00 Beginner/Flat Only Riders: \$600.00 Team Shirt and Jacket Orders Taken – \$100 Deposit Taken
September 1, 2025:	Open/Intermediate Riders: \$616.67 Novice Riders: \$533.34 Beginner/Flat Only Riders: \$333.34 Sponsorship Due Per Rider: \$200.00 Balance Due for Team Shirt and Jacket Orders
October 1, 2025:	Open/Intermediate Riders: \$616.67 Novice Riders: \$533.34 Beginner/Flat Only Riders: \$333.34
November 1, 2025:	Open/Intermediate Riders: \$616.66 Novice Riders: \$533.33 Beginner/Flat Only Riders: \$333.33
Jan/Feb 2026:	Entry Fees, Rail Fees, Trainer Travel Splits, Horse Requirements for Region 1 Finals for qualified riders due. Approximately: \$550/class plus personal travel expenses. Plus Silent Auction Basket Donation for Team Basket at Region Finals.
Feb/March 2026:	Entry Fees, Rail Fees, Trainer Travel Splits, Horse Requirements for Zone 10 Finals for qualified riders due. Approximately: \$550/class plus personal travel expenses. Plus Silent Auction Basket Donation for Team Basket at Zone Finals.
March/April 2026:	Entry Fees, Rail Fees, Trainer Travel Splits, Horse Requirements for National Finals for qualified riders due. Approximately: \$1,200/class plus personal travel expenses.

Expenses not included in Team Fees/Sponsorship Requirement

Trainer expense splits will be due from all participating riders when a hotel is needed for away shows. This includes shows that take place during the regular season if a trainer is required to travel early and stay overnight at a hotel.

Region Finals, Zone Finals, and National Finals expenses will be split among all riders entered and may include airfare, hotel or housing expense, rental car, gas, meals, etc. All post-season related practices, entry fees (Region Finals, Zone Finals, and National Finals), coaching fees, and related travel expenses for the coach will be due at the time of entry and are not included in the regular team fees. Please note that we will schedule post season practices for post season qualified riders. These practices are not covered within our regular team fees and will take place on an as needed basis at the same cost as regular season lessons/practice (\$100 per rider).

Entry fees and expense splits are non-refundable after entries close. If you scratch one of your 5 shows

after entries close, you will owe additional entry fees above the team tuition costs if you add another show to replace the one scratched. Also not included in the team tuition fees: Essex Classic team show shirt is \$119 - \$158 (price depends on the size) and the team jacket is \$100 each.

Sponsorships and Fundraising

Our program is seeking sponsors and team members will be expected to either secure \$200 in team sponsorship or cover the \$200 sponsorship fee. Here are the available sponsorship opportunities:

\$1,500.00 Horse Sponsor:

The Horse Sponsors help cover the cost of using one of our program horses for shows and practices, protective boots for the horse, and an official IEA Show Pad for the participating horse. Horse Sponsors will receive a banner that is placed in the arena for the duration of the IEA Season, a printed ½ page advertisement in the show program and prize list for all shows hosted at our home facility, a team photo with sponsor acknowledgement, VIP reserved seating at shows hosted by our home facility at MZ Equestrian, and two (2) MZ Equestrian team hats.

\$500.00 Tack & Grooming Sponsor:

The Tack & Grooming Sponsors help cover the cost of using our program and private tack and grooming supplies for shows and practices. Tack & Grooming Sponsors will receive a printed ½ page advertisement in the show program and prize list for all shows hosted at our home facility, a team photo with sponsor acknowledgement, and two (2) MZ Equestrian team hats.

\$200.00 IEA Fan Sponsor:

The IEA Fan Sponsors help cover the cost of show officials, rentals, and show expenses including lunch for our officials, ribbons for the riders, and prizes. IEA Team Sponsors will receive a team photo with sponsor acknowledgement and two (2) MZ Equestrian team hats.

Our team fundraisers will include snack and beverage sales at our team events and shows, a holiday fundraiser TBD, and silent auctions throughout the season.

Team Captains

The team will have two team Captains, voted on by the team and assigned by Coach Baldi, Coach Lund, or Team Manager Muzzy from the High School Level Team. Being chosen as a Captain is not based on level of riding or age but rather commitment to the horses, the team, and one's teammates. All team members are eligible to be named Captains.

A Captain is expected to be the right hand of Coach Baldi, Coach Lund, or Team Manager Muzzy throughout the horse show weekend and a true leader for their team. Captains will be overseeing the other Groups in addition to their own Group on the horse show days and are expected to help resolve any issues that arise from confusion about or failure to perform needed tasks. Captains should be willing to first try to resolve issues on their own through rallying their teammates before reporting incidents to the Coach. Captains should be knowledgeable about horses and the horse shows enough to be the go-to for questions from teammates and parents while the Coach is busy at the show ring. A Captain needs to have exceptional leadership abilities, a strong work ethic, patience with the horses and teammates, integrity, and passion for the sport.

Team Fan Wear

The team will have official fan wear including hats, visors, vests, jackets, and shirts available for sale at the beginning of the season. This is totally optional attire for parents, fans, and team members. It will be available for sale at our team/parent meeting and throughout the season at team practices.

MZ EQUESTRIAN IEA HUNT SEAT TEAM APPLICATION 2025-2026

RIDER INFORMATION: EMAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION TO cmuzzy@mzequestrian.com

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Grade for 2025-2026: _____

Rider Phone: _____ Rider Email: _____

Rider regularly trains with: _____

Rider currently shows at what height (if applicable): _____

Rider has previous IEA Experience (circle one)? YES NO Rider owns a saddle: YES NO

If yes, may the program use this saddle for practice and shows as needed? YES NO

Describe saddle (brand, size, flap): _____

PARENT /GUARDIAN #1 INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Mobile Phone: _____ Email: _____

Signature: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT/ PARENT /GUARDIAN #2 INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Mobile Phone: _____ Email: _____

PHOTO RELEASE FOR 2025-2026

I, _____ (print name) parent/guardian of

_____ (print rider name) release all photographs of my child that are taken during IEA shows, practices, and events for media, barn use, IEA sponsorship acknowledgement, program advertisement, and future team use.

Signature: _____



**RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND
INDEMNITY AGREEMENT – IEA TEAM MEMBER**

MZ EQUESTRIAN, LLC

READ THIS AGREEMENT CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING IT. YOUR SIGNATURE INDICATES YOU UNDERSTAND IT AND AGREE ON ITS TERMS. BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, YOU AND YOUR CHILD ARE GIVING UP CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE OR RECOVER DAMAGES IN CASE OF INJURY, DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGES, FOR ANY REASON, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE STABLE; IT'S OWNER, EMPLOYEE AND AGENTS ("THE RELEASEES").

This release and waiver of liability, assumption of risk, and indemnity agreement ("Agreement") entered into on this day _____, by and between **MZ EQUESTRIAN, LLC, a subsidiary Glenview Vista LLC** (hereinafter referred to as "Releasees") and _____, (Rider Name, hereinafter referred to as "Participant") and, if Participant is a minor, Participant's parent or guardian, _____ ("Participant's Parent or Guardian") for their use of the premises located at **2260 Glenview Lane, Vista, CA 92084** ("Property").

In consideration for allowing me (or my minor child) to use, today and on all future dates the Property, facilities, horses, and services of Releasees and on behalf of myself, my child or our personal representatives, heirs, next-of-kin, spouses, and assigns, I hereby agree as follows:

1. **INHERENT RISKS AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK.** The undersigned acknowledges there are inherent risks associated with equine activities such as described below, and hereby expressly voluntarily assumes all risks associated with participating in such activities. ***I understand and acknowledge that Under California Law, An Equine Professional is Not Liable for an Injury to or the Death of a Participant in Equine Activities Resulting from the Inherent Risks Of Equine Activities. I agree to abide by all rules and regulations of MZ Equestrian, LLC.***

A. "Inherent Risks" include, but are not limited to, the propensity of equines to behave in ways such as, running, bucking, biting, kicking, shying, stumbling, rearing, falling or stepping on, that may result in an injury, harm or death to persons on or around them; the unpredictability of equine's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement and unfamiliar objects, persons or other animals; certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions; collisions with other animals; the limited availability of emergency medical care; and the potential of a participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the animal or not acting within such participant's ability. I am aware that horseback riding, the handling of horses and being in close proximity to horses in general is an inherently dangerous activity and that Inherent Risks also include, without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury (including broken bones, head or neck injuries), sickness and disease (including communicable diseases), trauma, pain & suffering, permanent disability, paralysis and death; loss of or damage to personal property arising out of the unpredictable behavior of horses (including all injuries or illness sustained by my horse(s) while or after being ridden); other animals on site including but not limited to dogs (off leash), exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; accidents involving other Participants, staff, grooms, caretakers, volunteers, trainers and spectators; contact or collision with other Participants and horses, tractors, trailers or other farm equipment and vehicles, natural or manmade objects including but not limited to any pools, guest house structures, sheds, fountains, ponds, puddles, ravines, burrows or holes in the earth; adverse weather conditions; facilities issues and premises conditions; failure of protective equipment (including helmets); inadequate safety measures; Participants of varying skill levels; situations beyond the immediate control such as flooding, thunder, lightning, puddles of water, pedestrians with umbrellas, leaf blowers, lawn-movers, construction materials, noises and workers, cyclists, music and other wildlife including birds, ground squirrels, deer, cats, coyotes, mountain lions, chickens, bees and other insects, other farm animals and any other animal wild or domestic. Participant further acknowledges that riding or being around horses in other areas outside riding arenas such as trails, driveways, parking areas, round pens, pathways, cross country courses,

tracks, over jumps of any kind and outside of fenced arenas, is inherently dangerous and carries risks of injury that are an integral part of such activities.

B. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: Participant or Participant's guardian acknowledges that horses, by their very nature are unpredictable and subject to animal whim, which may include behavior including but not limited to their propensity to kick, bite, shy, buck, stumble, bolt, rear or general unpredictability. Participant or Participant's Guardian hereby voluntarily and knowingly assumes all risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses, or expenses, in connection therewith, and expressly waives any claims for any injury or loss arising there from. Participant agrees to abide by and follow Releasee's rules and regulations, which shall be posted and/or available from time to time. Participant also agrees to be responsible for any injury or damage caused by me, my horse, my employees or contractors under my direction and control while on site.

C. ASSUMPTION OF RISK: Participant understands and expressly assumes such risks. Participant also assumes all risks for riding hazards of any kind, including breaks or holes on surfaces or in the ground as a result of burrowing animals, rain, erosion, or any other source to cause an uneven surface and I acknowledge such uneven surfaces or holes may not be visually apparent. Participant also assumes all risks for riding or walking hazards such as, debris, rocks, paths, uneven footing, streams and other hazardous surface or subsurface conditions and obstacles, whether they are obvious or not obvious, man-made or natural.

Participant further acknowledges that the behavior of any animal is contingent to some extent upon the ability of Participant. Participant assumes all risks therefore and warrants a full and fair disclosure of Participant's abilities has been made to Releasee.

Participant understands and is aware in the ordinary course of business, motor vehicles (with or without horse trailers), golf carts, tractors and bicycles continuously enter and exit the Property in close proximity to the areas, and in the same areas, in which horses are kept, groomed, and ridden. Furthermore, tractors, utility vehicles, trucks and other machinery are used on a daily basis in the operation, maintenance and repair of the Property. People are working, walking, running, riding, and handling horses, lunging and "turning out" horses. Dogs bark, children play, flags and other objects wave, and other activities, conditions and distractions occur at or near the Property, all on a daily basis, and in close proximity to horses. Such items, activities, conditions, and objects may cause horses to react in an unpredictable and dangerous manner without warning. PARTICIPANT ACCEPTS AND ASSUMES ANY AND ALL RISK OF INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH, DAMAGE AND LOSS THAT MAY RESULT TO ME OR ANY OTHER PERSONS ANY TO MY HORSE OR PROPERTY AND TO OTHER PERSON'S HORSE OR PROPERTY, FROM ANY SUCH REACTION OF MY OR ANY OTHER HORSE. Participant is aware and understands that the surface area of the Property are either uncovered or only partially enclosed, and that rain or run-off may enter their areas causing the surface to become slippery. The slippery nature of the Property surface may not be apparent upon visual inspection. Participant is also aware and understand that the arenas, roads, fields, and other grounds and fields at the Property may at any time be wet, icy, slippery, rutted, eroded, or rocky, or contain rodent holes.

I am aware and understand that the any equine related activity ("Activity") is a potentially dangerous activity and involves the risk of serious injury, disability, death, or property damage. I am also aware of the highly contagious nature of bacterial and viral diseases including the 2019 novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) (the "Disease") and the risk that I may be exposed to or contract the Disease by engaging in the Activity, which may result in serious illness, personal injury, disability, death, or property damage. I acknowledge that these risks may result from or be compounded by the actions, omissions, or negligence of Releasee employees or others, including negligent emergency response or rescue operations of Releasee. I understand that while Releasee has implemented measures to reduce the risk of injury from the Activity and the spread of the Disease, Releasee cannot guarantee that I will not be injured or become infected with the Disease due to my participation in the Activity and that engaging in the Activity may increase my risk of contracting the Disease. NOTWITHSTANDING THESE RISKS, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I AM VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATING IN THE ACTIVITY WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE DANGERS INVOLVED. I HEREBY AGREE TO ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL RISKS OF INJURY, ILLNESS, DISABILITY, DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE ARISING FROM MY

ENGAGING IN THE ACTIVITY, WHETHER CAUSED BY THE ORDINARY NEGLIGENCE OF RELEASEE OR OTHERWISE.

2. INDEMNIFICATION. Participant (or Participant's parent or guardian) agrees to hold harmless, indemnify and defend Releasee, including any of its owners, agents, assigns, employees, from and against any and all claims, demands, causes of action, suits, actions, losses, liabilities, costs and/or expenses, including attorney's fees, which are occasioned by, or otherwise attributable to, matters for which I have assumed the risk and for which I am responsible in accordance with the language hereof, and for any actions brought by my guests or invitees.

In the event Participant is a minor, the parent or guardian shall further indemnify, defend and hold Releasee harmless from any such claims by said minor child, regardless of any statute of limitations or contractual limitation of actions.

3. IN THE EVENT Participant is using Participant's own horse, or a horse(s) not owned by Releasee, Participant warrants said horse(s) shall be free from infection, contagious or transmittable diseases. Releasee reserves the right to refuse access or use of any horse upon the premises that does not appear to Releasee to be in good health, or is deemed dangerous or undesirable.

4. MEDICAL AUTHORITY. I, [REDACTED] (participant, or if minor, parents/guardians) hereby grant permission and authority to MZ Equestrian, LLC, its officers and authorized employees to act for me in executing verbal instructions or if unable to contact us, to act for us in dealing with physicians, available ambulance companies and hospitals, to obtain prompt medical attention for the person named above in the event of any perceived medical emergency. I hereby covenant and agree to release MZ Equestrian, LLC its owners, occupants, tenants, subtenants, employees, officers, directors, or agents and their respective affiliates or persons of any one or more of them, and hold harmless from liability connected with obtaining prompt medical attention for the person named above.

5. WAIVER. I understand and agree that this release extends to all claims and demands referred to in this Agreement, of every kind and nature whatsoever, whether known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, and that I expressly waive all rights under section 1542 of the Civil Code of California. Section 1542 of the Civil Code provides as follows: "A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY."

6. WILDFIRE RELEASE: I understand that California has an elevated risk of wildfires that are fast moving, unpredictable & dangerous. They can change course forcing MZ Equestrian, LLC to undertake emergency evacuations of horses and equipment if possible. Despite best efforts, MZ Equestrian, LLC cannot guarantee that MZ Equestrian, LLC can prevent or limit wildfire losses. I understand in an emergency situation caused by wildfires in the area where MZ Equestrian, LLC is located, MZ Equestrian, LLC (as well as employees, agents, contractors, representative &/or assistants) will undertake reasonable evacuation efforts in good faith to minimize injury to or loss of horses and equipment on the premise or in the MZ Equestrian, LLC care, custody & control. Depending on all of the circumstances during a wildfire including lack of availability of staff, trailer's, trucks, fuel, traffic, visibility, severity of fire conditions, unstable ground or road conditions, risks to humans and governmental directives restricting access or activity, MZ Equestrian, LLC's response and mitigation efforts could result in some horses safely evacuating while other horses may not. I acknowledge and agree that MZ Equestrian, LLC will proceed as reasonably as possible should a wildfire emergency occur that threatens to cross the property. I understand that even with the best advanced planning and the best efforts in response to a wildfire there is never a

guarantee that MZ Equestrian, LLC can save every horse in its program or save all of the equipment kept on premises and/or in MZ Equestrian, LLC care, custody & control. I further acknowledge and agree that MZ Equestrian, LLC will prioritize evacuating horses over equipment and personal property.

7. ANY ACTION. brought under this Agreement shall be brought within one (1) year of the incident or accident giving rise to said claim. Participant agrees that damages shall be limited to \$250 for property damage, medical or other actual expenses incurred, and a maximum of \$10,000 for damages such as pain and suffering.

8. PARTICIPANT AGREES. The undersigned expressly agrees that this Agreement is governed by the State of California and is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by California Law (RIDE AT YOUR OWN RISK), and that in the event any portion of this Agreement is determined to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the balance of the Agreement shall not be affected or impaired in any way and shall continue in full legal force and effect.

9. WAIVER. Participant agrees to waive the protection of any applicable statutes in this jurisdiction whose purpose, substance and/or effect is to provide that a general release shall not extend to claims, material or otherwise, which the person giving the release does not know or suspect to exist at the time of executing said release.

10. PARTICIPANT PRE-CONDITIONS. By signing this Agreement, I affirm that I am not now pregnant and that I have no history of epileptic seizures, heart condition or any other medical problem that could be affected by horseback riding.

11. HELMETS. I acknowledge that all horse handlers and Participants should wear appropriate protective headgear while riding and being near horses. I agree to always take safety first into consideration while riding a horse, including always wearing a safety helmet. I acknowledge that I will not be allowed to ride a horse without the use of a helmet with a safety harness approved by the USDF or USEF for horseback riding activities and said helmet shall meet all ASTM F1163-00 standards and shall meet or exceed SEI certified standards. I understand that the wearing of such helmet may reduce the severity of any injury incurred on or around horses, and if I refuse to wear such helmet, I assume all such risk of injury resulting therefrom. **I acknowledge and agree that all minors must wear a helmet while riding a horse.** I further understand that riding boots and protective clothing, such as vests, should be worn while riding.

I have read the foregoing Agreement. I fully understand its terms and understand that I am giving up substantial rights by agreeing to these terms. I have made a free and deliberate choice to sign this Agreement as a condition to MZ Equestrian, LLC allowing me and/or my minor child to ride or handle a horse or to participate in any activities on premises. I hereby agree that all of the terms and conditions contained herein shall apply to me, and if applicable, my minor child and shall be binding upon the undersigned and the minor.

DATE: _____

Participant Name (Printed)

Participant Address, City, State, Zip Code

If the person who is to enter into this Agreement is less than eighteen (18) years of age, his/her parent or guardian must read this Agreement and sign below on the behalf of the minor.

DATE: _____

Parent or Guardian of Minor Participant