



Ironstone Farm Safety Regulations

Please read carefully

The following regulations have been established for your safety and the safety of all involved in the activities at Ironstone Farm. Please make every effort to abide by them during your time on the premises.

SMOKING: There is **NO SMOKING** allowed on the property of Ironstone Farm.

CHILDREN: Ironstone is a working farm. We must insist that all children, when not involved in a lesson, remain beside their accompanying adult. Running, yelling, or unaccompanied children can create hazardous situations – for themselves, riders, handlers, staff and other visitors at the farm. Please observe - or ask about – designated areas for viewing lessons. If children behave in an unsafe manner, we may ask you to remove them from the premises.

PETS and SERVICE ANIMALS: The animals at Ironstone Farm live in harmony with one another and introduction of a new animal is handled very carefully. Visiting pets will upset this harmony and can be very disruptive creating an unsafe situation. Please leave your pet(s) at home. With regards to service animals, please check with the office before visiting the farm.

TREATS: Our animals are on a routine feeding schedule. Their daily intake is carefully monitored. Treats may be harmful to some animals. Also, handfeeding encourages the animals to bite in search of treats and can be dangerous. Please do not feed the animals. If you would like to bring treats for your favorite Ironstone critter, you may label the treat and it will be included in his/her dinner or breakfast.

PARKING: Please park in designated areas only. Observe the “No Parking” signs and spaces allotted for pick-up and drop-off of clients. Please do not sound your horn/set car alarms while on Ironstone Farm property –sudden loud noises may frighten the animals residing at the farm as well as clients participating in therapy.

UMBRELLAS: Please do not use umbrellas on the property. The odd shape and sudden movement of opening/closing an umbrella can startle our horses.

THE BARN: The upper barn is staff-only area. If you need to reach someone in the Barn office, please call us at 978.475.4056 or ask the Welcome Center to contact us for you.

OBSERVATION: Our instructors and therapists are trained professionals. Please remain outside the teaching area during lessons. You are invited to watch from designated area.

Paddock: Only Staff, Working Students and Feeders (all of whom must have Paddock Privileges) are allowed in the Paddocks. *Please, volunteers and visitors are not allowed to enter the Paddocks for any reason.*

We appreciate your patronage. We pledge to offer you the best in quality, horse-related and therapeutic programming. During your time spent with us, we ask that you have respect for the property, the animals and the staff.

Thank you!