

REFLECTIVE HORSEMANSHIP™ LLC RIDING INSTRUCTION AGREEMENT AND LIABILITY RELEASE

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This form must be completed by and for each participant in horseback riding and related activities at Reflective Horsemanship™ Ranch hereinafter known as "RH Ranch" at 31317 N.163rd Street, Scottsdale, Arizona, 85262 or any equestrian or private facility where Kasey M. Reeder (instructor) is coaching.

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING: SERIOUS INJURY MAY RESULT FROM PARTICIPATION IN THIS ACTIVITY. RH Ranch OR KASEY M. REEDER DOES NOT GUARANTEE YOUR SAFETY.

A. REGISTRATION OF RIDERS AND AGREEMENT PURPOSE—In consideration of the payment of a fee and the signing of this agreement, I, the following listed individual, and the parent or legal guardians thereof is a minor, do hereby voluntarily request and agree to participate in riding or riding instruction as a student at RH Ranch under the instruction of KASEY M. REEDER, and that this student will either ride his/her own horse, or school horses provided by RH Ranch or KASEY M. REEDER for recreational or instructional purpose, today and on all future dates.

RIDER/STUDENT:	AGE (IF MINOR):	
LEGAL GURARDIAN/PARENT (IF MINOR):		
ADDRESS:	CITY:	
STATE:ZIP:	HOME PHONE:	
OTHER:		
CONTACT IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:		
NAME		
PHONE		

B. AGREEMENT SCOPE AND TERRITORY AND DEFINITIONS-This agreement shall be legally binding upon me the registered student, and the parents or legal guardians thereof if a minor, my heirs, estate, assigns, including all minor children, and personal representatives; and it shall be interpreted according to the laws of the state of Arizona, RH Ranch and KASEY M. REEDER'S physical location at either RH Ranch or ANY OTHER FACILITY. If any clause, phrase or word is in conflict with state law, then that single part is null and void. The term "HORSE" herein shall refer to all equine species. The term "HORSEBACK RIDING" herein shall refer to riding or otherwise handling of horses, whether from the ground or mounted. The terms "STUDENT" and/or "RIDER" shall herein refer to a person who rides a horse mounted or otherwise handles or comes near a horse from the ground. The terms "I", "me", "my" shall herein refer to the above registered student rider and the parents or legal guardians thereof if a minor.



- C. ACTIVITY RISK CLASSIFICATION—I UNDERSTAND THAT: Horseback riding is classified as RUGGED ADVENTURE RECREATIONAL SPORT ACTIVITY and that there are numerous obvious and non-obvious inherent risks always present in such activity despite all safety precautions. According to NEISS National Electronic Injury Surveillance Systems of United States Consumer Product(s) horse activities rank 64th among the activities of people relative to injuries that result in a stay at U.S. hospitals. Related injuries can be severe, requiring more hospital days and resulting in more lasting residual effects than injuries in other activities. In the course of learning to ride, ground-work activities such as tumbling and "riding" suspended barrels, and emergency dismounting from the horse are intended to make riding safer, but these are strenuous activities which themselves carry serious risks.
- **D. NATURE OF HORSES**—I UNDERSTAND THAT: KASEY M. REEDER chooses its school horses for their calm dispositions and sound basic training as is required for use for STUDENT RIDERS, and KASEY M. REEDER follows a rigid safety program. Yet, no riding horse is a completely safe horse. 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 horse to ground it will generally be at a distance of from 3 1/2 to 5 1/2 feet, and the impact may result in injury to the rider. Horseback riding is the only sport where one much smaller, weaker predator animal (human) tries to impose its will on, and become one unit of movement with, another much larger, stronger prey animal with a mind of its own (horse) and each has a limited understanding of the other. If a horse is frightened or provokes it may divert from its training and act according to its natural survival instincts which may include but are not limited to: Stopping short; Changing directions or speed at will; Shifting its weight; Bucking, Rearing, Kicking, Biting, or Running from danger.
- **E. RIDER RESPONSIBILITY**—I UNDERSTAND THAT: Upon mounting a horse and taking up the reins the rider is in primary control of the horse. The rider's safety largely depends upon his/her ability to carry out simple instructions, and his/her ability to remain balanced and calm aboard the moving animal. I agree that the rider shall be responsible for his/her own safety.
- **F. CONDITIONS OF NATURE**—I UNDERSTAND THAT: RH Ranch, KASEY M. REEDER, and its employees are NOT responsible for total or partial acts, occurrences, or elements of nature that can scare a horse, cause it to fall, or react in some other unsafe way. SOME EXAMPLES ARE: Thunder, Lightning, rain, wind, wild and domestic animals, insects, reptiles, which may walk, run or fly near, or bite or sting a horse or person; irregular footing on out-of-door groomed or wild land which is subject to constant change in condition according to weather, temperature, and natural and man-made changes in landscape.
- **G. SADDLE GIRTHS/NATURAL LOOSENING**—I UNDERSTAND THAT: Saddle girths (saddle fasteners around horse's belly) may loosen during ride. If a rider notices this he/she must alert the riding instructor as quickly as possible so action can be taken to avoid slippage of saddle and a potential fall from the animal.
- **H. ACCIDENT/MEDICAL INSURANCE**—I AGREE THAT: Should emergency or other medical treatment be required, I and/or my own accident/medical insurance company shall pay for all such incurred expenses. I shall also pay any medical insurance deductibles.
- I. PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR WARNING—I AGREE THAT: I have been fully warned and advised by RH Ranch, KASEY M. REEDER and NFEC that I should purchase and wear protective headgear (equestrian helmet only), and do understand that the wearing of such headgear while mounting, riding, dismounting, and otherwise being around horses, may prevent or reduce severity of some head injuries, and even prevent death from happening as the result of a fall or other occurrence. ASTM APPROVED PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR WHICH MEETS OR EXCEEDS THE QUALITY OF STANDARDS OF THE SEI CERTIFIED ASTM STANDARD F 1163 EQUESTRIAN HELMET.

**Initial here if you are over 18 yrs of age and choose not to wear a helmet during your lesson: _____



J. PHOTO/MEDIA RELEASE: I consent and authorize Reflective Horsemanship™ or any entity authorized by Reflective Horsemanship™ to copyright, use and publish any of the images in any format taken of me on this day. I understand these images may be used for a variety of purposes and may appear on the Reflective Horsemanship™ website, promotional materials or any other media now known or to be invented. I also understand that RH or any entity authorized by RH will use the images exclusively for RH-related purposes and not for any commercial gain. Since anyone can download an image from the internet or make copies from printed materials, I agree that RH is not responsible for unauthorized use of the images. I am aware that I am not entitles to any compensation and that the images may appear with or without my, or my company's name.

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K. LIABILITY RELEASE—In consideration of RH Ranch and KASEY M. REEDER allowing my participation in this activity, under the terms set forth herein, I, the rider, and the parent or guardian thereof if a minor, do agree to hold harmless and release RH Ranch, KASEY M. REEDER (instructor), its owners, agents, employees, officers, members, premises owners, and affiliated organizations from legal liability due to RH Ranch or KASEY M. REEDER'S ordinary negligence; and I do further agree that except in the event of RH Ranch or KASEY M. REEDER'S gross and willful negligence, I shall bring no claims, demands, actions and causes of action, and/or litigation, against RH Ranch, KASEY M. REEDER, and ITS ASSOCIATES as stated above in this clause, for any economic and non-economic losses due to bodily injury, death, property damage, sustained by me and/or my minor child or legal ward in relation to the premises and operations of RH Ranch or KASEY M. REEDER to include while learning about riding, or while riding, handling, or otherwise being near horses owned by or in the care, custody and control of RH Ranch or KASEY M. REEDER. All riders and Parents or Legal Guardians must sign below after reading this entire document:

SIGNER STATEMENT OF AWARENESS: I/WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVE READ AND DO UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING AGREEMENT, WARNINGS, RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK. I/WE FURTHER ATTEST THAT ALL FACTS RELATING TO THE APPLICANT'S PHYSICAL CONDITION, EXPERIENCE, AND AGE ARE TRUE AND ACCURATE.

I HAVE READ THIS *ENTIRE* WAIVER, RELEASE OF LIABILITY, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT (ALL PAGES), AND I FULLY UNDERSTAND IT'S CONTENTS.

SIGNATURE OF RIDER	DATE
PRINT RIDER NAME	

