



Terms and Conditions

Safety: Participants must always keep themselves, the horse(s), and the others utilising the riding & interacting arenas safe, in accordance with the instructions given by the employee or the specified safety guidelines.

Cancellation Fees: Participants must provide at least 24 hours notice if they need to cancel a lesson, horse interaction or riding activity booked. Failure to provide the 24 hour notice will result in a cancellation fee, which must be paid before booking another session. This cancellation fee may vary, depending on the type, duration and specific scheduling of the activity, and the notice period provided. If no notice is provided the full session amount will be charged.

Respect for Horse: Horse Welfare and sensitivity for the animal must be top priority. Always treat the horse with care and respect, groom them, and tack them up properly, respect the barn or paddock areas, and treat them with patience and kindness. Riders should never hit a horse, feed them anything without permission, taking unnecessary risks or saddling, mounting or riding a horse in a rough or abusive manner.

Proper Attire and Safety Gear: It is mandatory for the participants to wear the proper riding attire, which includes sturdy boots (require at all times around the horse), proper fitting helmet, protective vest (optional) and gloves and in some instances Protective Eyewear. Apparel should adhere to safety standards and should be dedicated to equestrian sport, preventing tearing and snagging. Rings, Necklaces, earrings, piercing accessories or dangle jewelry must not be worn.

Approve Safety Standards for helmets:

- Current Australian standard **AS/NZS 3838** (2006 onwards) *provided they are SAI Global marked.*
- New Australian standard **ARB HS 2012** *provided they are SAI Global marked.*

Follow Instruction and Protocol: Participants need to follow the instruction adequately, issued by the staff in the arena at all times, respecting the guidelines and standards. Failure to adhere to instruction, unsportsmanlike behaviors or subsequent rule violation may come at an expense of their riding privileges.

Smoking Prohibited: Smoking of any kind (including vaping and e-cigarettes) is strictly prohibited on the property. This includes the stables, paddocks, indoor and outdoor riding arenas, and any other facility grounds.



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No Drugs or Alcohol: Participants are forbidden to bring any prohibited substances into the riding arena, paddock, stables, or any other area. Drinking alcohol during or before horse familiarization, interaction, or riding activities is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated. Any signs of drug or alcohol intoxication may come at an expense of their riding privilege and visitors will be asked to leave.

Cleaning and Maintenance: Participants are expected to treat stables, tack room, indoor and outdoor arenas with high respect, keeping these areas spotless and tidy. Additionally, it is also the rider's responsibility to clean and maintain all equipment once used after finishing with their horse.

Participation agreement and consent: Participants are expected to sign and review the terms and conditions before agreeing and proceeding to participate in any activity involving horses. Providing accurate information regarding riders experience level and fitness, as well as serious unknown allergies, medications and medical conditions are the participants' responsibilities to inform ahead of interactions.

In conclusion, by following strict guidelines and practices, participants can ride happily and with integrity while showing respect for horses, their handlers, and other riders at Equi-Guard. By maintaining high standards, the riders can experience physical, mental and social benefits, enjoying a successful, profound experience here at Equi-Guard.

Participant Signature:

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Full Name:

Date: