

AN AGREEMENT AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY CONTRACT
PLEASE READ THIS DOCUMENT CAREFULLY

This AGREEMENT AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY is entered into on this _____ day of _____, in the year **2016** by and between Rusted Star Ranch (Owner) and _____ (RIDER), and if Rider is a minor, the parent/guardian of Rider _____ . In exchange for use of property, facilities, and services of Owner, the Rider, his/her heirs, assigns and legal representatives, hereby expressly agree to the following:

1. I agree that horseback riding and all equine activities are inherently dangerous activities AND that these activities will expose me to above normal risks of bodily injury and/or death.
2. I agree that I am responsible for my own safety while engaging in and all equine activities on the Owner's property and/or adjoining property of others, which have given me permission to ride.
3. I agree to acknowledge all of owner's rules and regulations pertaining to any and all equine activities occurring on Owner's property and I agree to am responsible for wearing protective gear appropriate for equine activities to ensure Rider's safety while engaged in such activities.
4. I understand the risks involved in equine activities and **I AGREE TO ASSUME ANY AND ALL RISKS INVOLVED IN RIDER'S USE OF OR PRESENCE UPON OWNER'S PROPERTY AND FACILITIES** while engaging in any equine activity without limitation and including the risks of death, bodily injury, property damage, falls, kicks, bites, unavailability of emergency medical care, and/or the ordinary negligence and/or deliberate act of another person.
5. I agree that Owner, the Owner's stable, its agents, and employees are NOT liable for any injury to or the death of Rider and/or a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.
6. I agree to hold Owner, Owner's stable, its agents, and employees completely harmless and not liable and release them from all liability whatsoever, including acts of ordinary negligence, associated with any equine activity during Rider's use of or presence upon Owner's property or the adjoining property of other's for which permission to ride has been granted.
7. I agree to hold the owner of any and all adjoining property for which permission has been granted completely harmless and not liable and release them from all liability whatsoever, including acts of ordinary negligence, associated with any equine activity during Rider's use of or presence upon the property owner's property.
8. I AGREE NOT TO SUE Owner, Owner's stable, its agents and/or employees in association with ANY claims, damages, costs, or expenses arising out of Rider's use of or presence upon the Owner's property and facilities while engaging in any and all equine activities including those based on death, bodily injury, and property damage, unless the damages are caused by the direct, willful and wanton gross negligence of the Owner.
9. Rider is responsible for complete and full insurance coverage on himself/herself, personal property, and Rider's horse.
10. Rider and Rider's parent or guardian (if Rider is a minor) agree that this agreement and release of liability is a contract that when signed by the parties involved will be legally binding to all parties, subject to the above terms and conditions and shall be enforced and interpreted under the laws of the state of Maryland.

I have read and understand without question, this agreement and release of liability contract before having signed below.

X _____
Owner's Signature

X _____
Rider's Signature

X _____
Owner's Signature

X _____
Rider's Parent or Guardian (if rider is a minor)