

SADDLEROCK FARM RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY,  
ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

READ THIS AGREEMENT CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING IT. YOUR SIGNATURE INDICATES YOU UNDERSTAND IT AND AGREE TO IT'S 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, EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS ("THE RELEASEES").

I, \_\_\_\_\_ on behalf of myself (and my minor child) \_\_\_\_\_  
Reside at \_\_\_\_\_, in \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street address) (City) (State) (Zip) (PHONE)

In consideration for allowing me (or my child) to handle and ride a horse and on behalf of myself, my child or our personal representatives, heirs, next-of-kin, spouses and assigns, I HEREBY:

1-Acknowledge that a horse or mule may, with out warning or any apparent cause, buck, stumble, trip, roll, fall, rear, bite, kick, run, make unpredictable movements, spook, jump obstacles, step on a person's feet, push or shove a person; saddles or bridles may loosen or break, all of which may cause the rider to fall or be jolted, resulting in serious injury or death.

2-Acknowledge that horseback riding is an inherently dangerous activity and involves risks that may cause serious injury and in some cases death, because of the unpredictable nature and irrational behavior of horses, regardless of their training and past performance.

3-Voluntarily assume the risk and danger of injury or death inherent in the handling or riding of the horse, and use of saddles, bridles, equipment and gear provided to me by the Releasees.

4-Release, discharge and promise not to sue the Releasees for any loss, damage, injury (including death) or cost to my or my child's person or property arising out of riding or handling a horse, or use of saddles, bridles, equipment or gear provided by the Releasees.

5-Release the Releasees from any claim that such Releasees were negligent in connection with my or my child's riding a horse, including but not limited to training or selecting horses, maintenance, care, fit or adjusting of saddles or bridles, instruction on riding skills or leading and supervising riders, which resulted in loss, damage, injury or both.

6-Indemify, and save and hold harmless the Releasees from and against any loss, liability, damage or cost they may incur arising out of or in any way connected with either my or my child's handling or riding the horse and/or use of any saddles, bridles, equipment or gear provided therewith resulting from or contributed to by my own negligence.

7-I understand that there is always a risk of coming into contact with persons who have been exposed to or have a communicable disease, including but not limited to covid-19 or any other medical condition. I knowingly and freely assume all such risk, both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of the Releasees, and I assume full responsibility for my and my child's participation.

8-Expressly agree that the foregoing release and assumption or risk, and indemnity agreement is governed by the laws of the state N.C. and is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by N.C. law, and that in the event any portion of this Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the balance of the Agreement shall not be affected or impaired in any way and shall continue in full legal force and effect.

9-have completely read, understand, and agree with N.C. EQUINE LAW 99-E. /www.animallaw.info/statute/nc-equine-activity-liability-article-1-equine-activity-liability

10-Acknowledge that this document is a contract and agree that if a lawsuit is filed against the Releasees for any injury or damage in breach of this contract, I will pay all attorneys' fees and cost incurred by the Releasees in defending such an action.

I have read this document. I understand it is a promise not to sue and to release SaddleRock Farm, it's owners, employees and agents, for all claims. I have made a free and deliberate choice to sign this Release and Waiver as a condition to Releasees allowing me or my child to ride or handle a horse. I have concluded that the risks involved and the release and waiver of liability is worth the pleasure of horseback riding experience.

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DATE

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SIGNATURE

Acknowledgement of Risk Acceptance of Responsibility, Release of Liability