

## ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

In consideration for receiving permission for \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Summer Horsemanship School Program, I or I/we, the parent/parents or legal guardian/guardians of \_\_\_\_\_, if participant is under the age of 18 (hereinafter referred to as "RELEASORS"), hereby RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE AND CONVENANT NOT TO SUE Texas A&M University, The Texas A&M University System, the Board of Regents, the State of Texas, their officers, servants, agents, volunteers or employees (hereinafter referred to as "RELEASEES") from any and all liability claims, demands, actions, causes of actions, whatsoever arising out of, or related to any loss, damage, or injury including death, that may be sustained by the participant or to any property belonging to the participant, WHETHER CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES or otherwise, while participating in such activity, or while in, on or upon the premises where the activity is being conducted.

Releasors are fully aware that there are inherent risks involved in the equine activity. Such risks may include, but are not limited to:

- 1) The tendency of an animal to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm or even death to persons on or around them.
- 2) The unpredictability of an animal's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement and unfamiliar objects, persons or other animals.
- 3) Certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions.
- 4) Collisions and contact with other animals or objects.

Releasors hereby elect to voluntarily participate in said activity, and to enter the above named premises and engage in such activity knowing that the activity may be hazardous to the participant and its property.

Releasors VOLUNTARILY ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY RISKS OF LOSS, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY, INCLUDING DEATH, that may be sustained by the participant, or any loss or damaged property owned by them, as a result of being engaged in such an activity, WHETHER CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE.

Releasors further hereby AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE RELEASEES from any loss, liability, damage or costs, including court costs and attorney fees that may occur due to participation in said activity, WHETHER CAUSED BY NEGLIGENCE OF RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE.

Releasors acknowledge that Texas A&M University or other sponsors of this event do not provide any sort of insurance should injury occur.

Releasors have read the attached "Safety Considerations," understand them, and agree to comply with them fully.

IN SIGNING THIS RELEASE, RELEASORS ACKNOWLEDGE AND REPRESENT THAT they have read the foregoing Assumption of Risk and Hold Harmless Agreement, understand it and sign it voluntarily as their own free act and deed; no oral representations, statements, or inducements apart from the foregoing agreement have been made. Releasors execute this document for full, adequate and complete consideration fully intending to be bound by the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I/we have hereunto set my/our hand on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant Signature

*If participant is 18 years old or younger:*

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Parent/Guardian Signature