

ENCORE STABLES, INC.

BARN RULES

1. All riders must have a signed liability on file with Encore Stables.
2. ASTM/SEI approved helmets are required.
3. Boots with at least a ½ inch heel will be worn at all times while working around and riding horses. (NO TENNIS SHOES)
4. **NO SMOKING ON THE PREMISES.**
5. **NO ALCOHOL/DRUGS ALLOWED ON PREMISES.**
6. No dogs allowed on premises.
7. No profanity or rowdiness. Be considerate of others.
8. No running in the barn area or around the horses. Do not leave children unattended.
9. Do not feed grain or hay to any horse. We have a feeding program in place and this will only interrupt that program.
10. Do not give treats to other boarder's horses without their permission. Never hand-feed horses. Put treats in bucket or feed box.
11. No horse abuse is allowed. Excessive hitting, kicking, or whipping of a horse could be cause for dismissal from the stables. Treat horses, as well as people, with respect.
12. No horse should be left unattended while tied, except if they are in a stall. Horses **SHOULD ONLY BE TIED** in a stall or tack-up area. Always use a quick release knot when tying horses.
13. **ALL EQUIPMENT MUST BE PUT AWAY AFTER USE. EACH RIDER IS REPOSNSIBLE FOR CLEANING UP AFTER HIS OWN HORSE OR HORSE HE/SHE HAS USED IN THE BARN AND TACK-UP AREAS.** This means keeping your supplies in one closed container located in the tack room. Please put all your tack away in the area you are using with no extra things left out. Please **ask for permission** whenever using equipment that does not belong to you. Owner must provide own tack box and tack supplies. If horse is a cribber, owner must provide a Miracle Collar.
14. When bathing a horse, please use discretion in the amount of water being used.

15. No riding horses in the barn.
16. No boarder is allowed to ride another boarder's horse unless stable management is notified with permission from both parties.
17. No riding in/on neighbors' property. You must ride in designated areas only.
18. Do not mount your horse inside the barn. Always mount outside.
19. If you are the last person to leave the barn, **IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to make sure all doors (including tack room and feed room) are shut and latched. Please turn off the light in the barn and make sure the main front gate is closed.
20. When a lesson is in progress, please ask the instructor for permission to share the ring with the lessons riders. Whoever is in the arena first, sets the pace. Be sensitive to the other riders in the arena and follow the guidelines set out in "ARENA ETIQUETTE".
21. **BARN HOURS are: 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM Winter
8:00 AM – 9:00 PM Summer**

Please be respectful of yourself and others. The management wants everyone to have fun and enjoy their horses in a safe, wholesome environment. If you have a problem or suggestion, please feel free to discuss it with us.

I agree to follow these barn rules.

Boarder/Parent/Student Name _____

ARENA ETIQUETTE

1. When inside the arena, mount and dismount in an unoccupied, center area. The same procedure applies when you wish to halt or adjust tack.
2. Always keep the safest possible distance (6-10) feet from the horse in front and at least 3 ½ feet from the horse at your side. A good rule of thumb is to keep at least one horse length between you and any other rider.
3. Slow-moving horses leave the rail to faster horses.
4. Horses tracking left always have the right-of-way. Horses not on the rail should pass left shoulder to left shoulder when possible.
5. Always look behind you before stopping and/or backing.
6. Minors should be supervised by someone knowledgeable – a trainer, parents, or club leader.
7. If other riders are present in the arena, lunging of a horse should be done only after requesting and receiving permission from those already in the arena, and only with a well-behaved horse. Poorly behaved or unpredictable horses should be worked alone.