



## FarmHill Equestrian Center, LLC

23118 Northeast 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Ridgefield, WA 98642

### BARN RULES

Welcome to FarmHill Equestrian Center, LLC! The following rules are designed to ensure the safety and happiness of your horses, yourselves, and your fellow FarmHillians:

- ◆ FarmHill Equestrian Center, LLC is a private *non-smoking* facility. ***Smoking is not permitted anywhere, at any time, on FarmHill property.***
- ◆ ***ASTM certified helmets are required for all riders at FarmHill – every ride, every time.*** Full length boots or paddock boots are also required for all riders at FarmHill. Riding in soft-soled shoes is not permitted at any time.
- ◆ ***Children 16 and under must have adult supervision at all times.*** All riders 16 and under must wear ASTM certified helmets when mounted, and instructor supervision when jumping.
- ◆ ***All dogs at FarmHill must be restrained or contained at all times!*** If the dog's owner is riding, the dog must be restrained or contained such that it does not interfere with the safety and/or functioning of the barn. Dogs who disrupt lessons with barking or other failures of restraint or containment will, in cases of repeat interference, be prohibited from being at the barn. The owner of a dog that is not appropriately restrained or contained will be given two notes of noncompliance with this policy. On the third incident of noncompliance, the owner will be asked to move from FarmHill. It is hoped that the severity of this policy will indicate FarmHill's dedication to the safety and comfort of everyone at FarmHill.
- ◆ ***Similarly, all horses at FarmHill must be restrained or contained at all times.*** Any owner whose horse is found unrestrained or uncontained on FarmHill property as a result of the owner's actions will similarly be given two notes of noncompliance. On the third violation, s/he will be asked to move from FarmHill. Again, it is hoped that the severity of this policy will indicate the barn owner's dedication to the safety and comfort of everyone at FarmHill.
- ◆ Please let Barbara, Rebecca, Miguel, and/or Juanita know about changes in your horse's feeding schedule, so the feeders can be alerted to the change and it can be marked on your stall chart. No feed changes will occur unless they are marked on your horse's stall chart, which serves as our only way to insure that your horse is being fed exactly what you have directed s/he be fed.
- ◆ Each owner is responsible for their own equipment. Please label your equipment clearly, please place a lock on your tack locker to show all outsiders that FarmHill is a secured boarding facility, and please keep your tack locker *locked* when not in use.

- ◆ Each horse should have a halter and lead rope on his/her door or pasture gate. *All FarmHill horses must have available 1) a good all-weather blanket for winter, 2) a light weight all-weather sheet for spring and fall, and 3) a fly mask for fly season.*
- ◆ When grooming, please use the grooming racks or your stall (*not the barn aisle*). In addition, please clean the rack *after every use*. Pick up all manure and put it in a muck bucket; do *not* wash it down the drain. During shedding season or body clipping, please dump horse hair in the trash cans and *not* in the muck buckets; horse hair will foul our composting system.
- ◆ Please pick up after yourself in the common areas – tack lockers, grooming racks, wash racks, and restrooms. (Please note that there are separate restrooms for women and men. The women’s restroom is located across from the office. The men’s restroom is located outside the main barn on the east wall, between stalls B1 and A7.)
- ◆ The following are the rules for the use of the various arenas at FarmHill. Please note exactly what is, and is not, permitted in each arena:

### **Indoor Arena**

- ***Riding permitted at any time*** — lesson riders have right-of-way.
- ***Long-lining permitted only if there are no riders in the arena***, and if the long-line horse does not tear up the footing with gymnastic moves.
- ***No lunging in the indoor arena***, except for veterinary or farrier evaluations of non-gymnastic horses. (Please evaluate gymnastic horses in the round pen or jump arena.)

### **Big Arena**

- ***Riding permitted at any time*** — lesson riders have right-of-way.
- ***Long-lining permitted in the south end of the arena only, only if there are no riders in the arena***, and if the horse on long-lines does not tear up the footing with gymnastic moves.
- ***No lunging*** in the Big Arena *ever*.

### **Jump Arena**

- ***Riding permitted at any time*** — lesson riders have right-of-way.
- ***By law, riders under 18 years old may only jump with an adult in attendance.***
- ***Long-lining permitted only if there are no riders in the arena.***
- ***No lunging*** is permitted in the jump arena, except for veterinary or farrier evaluations.

### **Round Pens — front (covered) pen and back (uncovered) pen**

- ***Riding permitted at any time*** — lesson riders have priority.
- ***Long-lining and lunging (free lunging or line-lunging) are permitted at any time.***
- ***Horses must be attended by humans all the time they are in the round pens!***

- ◆ Riding in the barn aisle is extremely dangerous and is therefore *prohibited*.
- ◆ When riding in the FarmHill arenas, always pass left shoulder to left shoulder, and give lesson students the right-of-way as much as possible.
- ◆ Because FarmHill is also home to our staff and the occupants of the FarmHill house, please respect their privacy and do not use the area around the house for grazing or riding. Similarly, please remember that we currently enjoy good relations with our FarmHill neighbors, so do not ride through our neighbors' properties unless you have spoken with Barbara, Rebecca, or the property owner. And for the same reason, never ride with an unleashed dog in the vicinity of FarmHill. All it will take is one neighbor's mangled dog or cat to ruin the neighbors' goodwill for everyone at FarmHill!

*I have read the rules above and I hereby consent to abide by all of these rules as a condition of boarding, riding, visiting, and/or residing at FarmHill Equestrian Center, LLC.*

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Signature

Date

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Name (Print)

Horse's Name