

Sweetwater Ranch Lesson/Boarding Application

Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

City, Zip _____ Phone # _____

Email _____

Previous Riding Experience

Have you ever ridden before? _____ # of years _____ Style _____

Have you had instruction? _____ With whom? _____

How often? _____ For how long? _____ Did you show? _____

Any falls or injuries? _____

Have you owned a horse? _____ For how long & when? _____

Horse's age _____ Breed _____ Training _____

Boarded Horse's Claimed Value _____ Current Health _____

(Boarded horses with a value of over \$10,000 must have mortality insurance provided by the owner.)

Does the horse have any known vices? _____

Riding Goals? Trail/Pleasure _____ Show _____ Jumping _____ Dressage _____

Other _____

Riders Current & Previous Health:

Any Physical Restrictions? _____ (If yes please describe) _____

Is your Tetanus shot current? _____ Date of last physical _____

Have you ever brought legal action against a business or individual for physical or personal injury or damage? _____ (If yes, Please include details on a separate sheet. When, What for, finals Settlement.)

Do you have medical/accident and/or mortality insurance? _____

Do you have accident or mortality insurance for your horse? _____

Company _____ Policy # _____

In Case of Emergency Please Notify: _____

Relationship: _____ Phone #: _____

If unavailable, contact: _____ Phone #: _____

Your doctor _____ Phone #: _____

Veterinarian _____ Phone #: _____

In case of accident or sudden life-threatening illness, I give permission for all emergency medical treatment to myself, my child and/or my horse without restriction.

Signed _____ Date _____

Some of our lesson horses have chronic arthritic conditions (ringbone, navicular, etc.) which we treat with the analgesic "Bute". If a rider does not wish to ride a horse under medication, they must inform the instructor before the lesson. I the undersigned have read and understand this provision for use of a lesson horse.

Agreement to hold harmless for riding at Sweetwater Ranch

Please inspect the facilities each time before you ride. Your continued presence on the property, and/or riding in the arenas is considered acceptance on your part of the current conditions. A responsible adult needs to make this inspection for underage riders. Please bring any questionable situations to the instructors or managers attention immediately.

Sweetwater Ranch requires the wearing of properly always fitted safety headgear for ALL riders when mounted on the property – not just for jumping. Clients are advised to invest in such equipment. If students use 'school helmets' they accept responsibility for selecting a safe, properly sized helmet.

Clients will always exercise caution, when mounted and otherwise. Horses are to be walked in areas outside the arenas and are to be led in the barn aisles, and not ridden near the paddocks or corrals.

Riders may NOT jump without supervision unless previously certified by a Sweetwater instructor as competent. Unsupervised riders take full responsibility for their own actions. Riders and Boarders will not undertake any action that might endanger themselves or others. If in doubt, please consult with management. If directed to stop a particular action by management, riders and boarders will do so immediately or be asked to leave the property.

I, _____ the undersigned, acknowledge the inherent risk of injury, damage or even death to myself my horse and my equipment during riding or working around horses. I understand that there are unavoidable risks in being on a ranch and agree to exercise caution and will supervise any children under 18 years of age whom I am responsible for bringing onto the property. I realize that even the most seemingly gentle temperament horse can act unpredictably at times, and given their large size, can inflict damage, even if that is not their intention.

I am responsible for any action I take while riding, even while under the direction of an instructor. I may decline to do anything that the instructor directs me to do, if I feel unprepared or unsure. I am encouraged to question any instruction which seems confusing or unsafe and am entitled to explanation and clarification.

If my horse or I are injured, I understand that I am solely responsible for paying any and all incurred medical bills and for any loss of income or value.

Knowing these facts, I nevertheless, in consideration for Sweetwater Ranch's acceptance of this form, for myself, my heirs and administrators, hereby indemnify (legally exempt from any penalty), waive, release and agree to hold harmless Sweetwater Ranch, Jack and Monica Whitmer, their employees and all other persons and organizations in any way connected with this facility or related activities. I resign any right, claim or liability for injury or damage that may occur to me or my animals whether caused by my own act or by the act of another. I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless any person connected with this facility against all claims, including court costs, attorney fees arising for any action brought for my benefit contrary to this release, and I expressly waive any benefits I may have under section 1542 of the California Civil Code relating to the release of Unknown claims.

I have read and understand their entire agreement. I have asked for clarification of any sections which I was not certain of its meaning. I accept ALL conditions specified in this agreement and consider it completely binding on myself, my heirs and legal representatives.

Student/Boarders Signature _____

Parent/Guardian's _____

Horse owner's signature _____