



# Horse Lease Agreement

(Revised 1/2020)

*This Agreement is between Hidden Hills Farm & Saddle Club, also called Owner, and the Lessee (or the Lessee's Parent/Guardian, if Lessee is under 18), represented below:*

## **Lessee Information**

Lessee Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #/s \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (if Lessee is under 18 years) \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if different than Lessee) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #/s \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency # \_\_\_\_\_

## **Horse and Tack Information**

This lease is for the following horse(s):

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

The following tack/horse care items is included in the lease: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Lease Term**

The term of this lease is \_\_\_\_\_.

New terms can be written, signed by both parties, and attached to this Agreement, and these same terms and conditions will apply.

## **Lease Fees**

Please check the lease program agreed to:

\_\_\_ Partial lease, 1 scheduled visit per week: \$80/month;

\_\_\_ Partial lease, 2 scheduled visits per week: \$130/month;

\_\_\_ Full lease, unlimited scheduled visits: \$200/month;

\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## **Risk of Loss and Insurance**

Lessee assumes all liability and expense for any damages, losses, or special expenses, and for any accident or injury to any person or animal who comes in contact with the leased horse, however caused, that are the direct result of his/her riding or handling of the horse or tack or while the horse or tack is under his/her care. Lessee agrees to contact Owner in any emergency to confirm care. The horse and all tack and equipment of Hidden Hills shall become the sole risk of the Lessee during the times he/she has them, and agrees to pay for any damages or the replacement of them. Lessee assumes all responsibility for the insuring of the horse, tack, and equipment leased by him/her, for the duration of this lease, though it is not required. The estimated value of the horse is \$ \_\_\_\_\_; the estimated value of the tack is \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

## **Lease Rules**

Lessee agrees to follow the Lease Rules included with this Agreement.

**Horse Ownership**

The horse included in this lease shall remain the sole property of Owner, and the Lessee shall have no right, title, or loan to any other party of leased horse except as stated here. Lessee shall not sell, mortgage, or encumber this leased horse in any manner whatsoever. Lessee shall not assign this lease nor sublease the leased horse.

Should the leased horse become for sale during the term of the lease, and a legitimate offer is made on the horse by a third party, the Lessee shall have the right to match the offer and assume ownership of the animal before any other offers would be accepted.

**Other Written Terms**

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*I have read, understood, and agree to this entire Lease Agreement. Furthermore, I have read and agree to abide by the **Hidden Hills Farm Rules**, the **Lease Rules**, and have signed a **Rider Release and Waiver of Liability Agreement**, which applies to and shall remain in full affect during this Lease Agreement. If Lessee is under 18, both myself (as Parent/Guardian of Lessee) and Lessee understand and agree to all of the Lease and Farm Rules. Lessee's neglecting or abusing Lease Rules or our horses will forfeit riding privileges without refund.*

Lessee Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_

# Lease Rules

1. **Riding Skills:** All Lessees should use safe and proper riding skills whenever handling and riding the leased horse, and must maintain and improve their skills through regular lessons (at least every other week) in Hidden Hills riding program throughout the lease (lessons are not considered part of the lease fee or lessee scheduled rides). Purposefully teaching the horse dangerous tricks or allowing the horse to become unmanageable through improper riding skills or abusing or mistreating the horse is not allowed and will be grounds for termination of the lease.
2. **Supervision:** Lessee supervision requirements will be determined by the Lessees main instructor at Hidden Hills. In general, we request that lessees 12 and younger are supervised by a parent/guardian at all times. Lessees ages 13-14 must ride with a buddy, and lessees aged 15 and older may ride alone.
3. **Horse Care:** The horse's appearance may not be altered without prior permission (i.e. clipping, mane pulling, etc.). No medications, unusual feedstuff, or extra hay or grain (beyond a treat-sized portion) shall be administered a horse without specific Hidden Hills permission. Lessee should check with Hidden Hills for any special care needs of the leased horse. Lessee should contact Hidden Hills immediately if there is any health or behavioral concern with the leased horse.
4. **Lessee Ride Times (for partial leases):** Lessee must schedule ride times with Hidden Hills in advance. Proper warm-up, cool down, and care of horses will be the responsibility of the Lessee. Lessee may enjoy any responsible horse activity that adheres to all Farm and Lessee Rules. Missed visits cannot be "rolled over" to another lease term, although they may be made up within the term, *if the desired make-up time is available*. In general, Hidden Hills' horses are off on Saturdays.
5. **Riding Facilities:** Lessee may use any of the arenas, round pens, and trails on Hidden Hills premises, provided it is not already being used for lessons and/or programming. Lessees under partial and full leases may not ride off premises without written permission by Hidden Hills owners and must fill out an Off Premises Riding Release.
6. **Tack and Equipment:** If tack and tools are included in this lease, Lessee shall use only that tack which is specifically assigned, making no alterations or substitutions without specific Hidden Hills approval in advance. Tack and grooming equipment shall be cleaned properly and immediately returned to its correct storage area. Lessee may use his/her own tack, if desired, though it must first be approved by Hidden Hills staff. Lessee is responsible for the proper care of the tack and equipment, and agrees to inform Hidden Hills staff of any problems or concerns.
7. **Visitors:** Lessees may not permit anyone to ride or handle the leased horse without specific Hidden Hills permission. All Lessees must follow all Farm Rules regarding visitors.
8. **Events:** Lessees will be given priority use of the leased horse for Hidden Hills events, but this does not mean that the horse won't be shared with other riders as well. In general, Hidden Hills' horses are not allowed to go to outside events unless Hidden Hills is being represented by a group of riders.