



Riding Lesson Registration Form

Date: _____

I am registering to ride at Hidden Acres Rescue for Thoroughbreds, or HART. I agree to the following:

- I will only ride the horse in a safe and controlled manner.
- I will wear appropriate headgear and footwear for lessons.
- I will read and follow all signs on the property and follow all the management/instructors/staff instructions.
- I consent to be evacuated and to the provision of first aid and medical treatment if I am injured or become ill.
- I agree to pay for any such evacuation or provision of first aid or medical treatment.
- HART may cancel my ride without refunding any fee if I do not comply with any of these terms and conditions.
- I understand and acknowledge that horse riding and handling can be dangerous and that Serious Injury or Death may result from horse riding activities and in particular this ride/lesson. I agree that I Ride at my Own Risk.

Student Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Parent / Guardian Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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How did you learn about Hidden Acres Rescue for Thoroughbreds?

Riding History

1. Riding Ability (please check the most appropriate description of your current riding ability)

Beginner <input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Never previously ridden a horse. • No horsemanship or riding skills
Beginner + <input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have ridden a few times. • Have not had riding lessons. • Can mount and dismount unaided. • Able to control horse unaided at the walk and trot.
Novice <input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have ridden on an irregular basis. • Confident and competent at walk and trot. • Able to maintain a correct basic position at walk and trot. • May be ready to canter..
Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have ridden on a regular basis. • Confident and competent at walk, trot and canter. • Able ride on the correct diagonal, ride a variety of school figures (ie figure of eight, serpentine, 10m circle), have the ability to ride smooth up and down transitions and able to work over poles and bending around poles at the walk and trot. • Able to canter and maintain control in the canter. • Able to maintain a correct basic position during all three paces
Advanced <input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competent rider who may have competed in chosen discipline. • Established independent seat. • Able to maintain a correct position during all three paces.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extensive understanding of what is required to achieve the effective and correct position and movement of the horse. • Accomplished in riding upwards and downwards transitions, shortening and lengthening of stride and basic lateral work (ie. leg yielding and turn on the forehand).
Jumping <input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jumped 18" or less • Jumped 18" or more

2. The number of times you have ridden in the last 12 months.

3. Please describe below the riding activities that you have previously participated in:

4. Riding Needs: Please describe below what you would like to learn in your sessions at HART:

Student:

Printed Name

Signature

Date

If a minor, Parent/Guardian must sign:

Parent/Guardian:

Printed Name

Signature

Date



HART HORSE RIDING AGREEMENT AND LIABILITY RELEASE FORM

Hidden Acres Rescue for Thoroughbreds (HART)

Premises Owners Name, hereinafter known as "This Stable"

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING: Serious injury may result from your participation in this activity. This Stable does not guarantee your safety or that of your horse. This form must be completed by and for each participant.

- 1. Registration of rider and agreement purpose: I, the following listed individual hereinafter known as The Rider, and the parents or legal guardians thereof if a minor, do hereby voluntarily request and agree to participate in horse riding on This Stable’s premises, and that The Rider will ride his/her own horse, one provided by This Stable for lessons, or leased by The Rider’s own arrangement, today and on all future dates:

Rider Name (print) Age (if under 18)

Parent or Guardian (if under 18) (print)

Emergency Contact (print) Relationship Phone/Type

- 2. Agreement scope and territory and definitions: This agreement shall be legally binding upon me the registered Rider, and the parents or legal guardians thereof if a minor, my heirs, estate, assigns, including all minor children, and personal representatives; and it shall be interpreted according to the laws of Brevard County, Florida. If any clause, phrase or word is in conflict with state law, then that single part is null and void. The term HORSE herein shall refer to all equine species. The term HORSEBACK RIDING or RIDING herein shall refer to riding or otherwise handling of horses, ponies, mules, or donkeys, whether from the ground or mounted. The term RIDER shall herein refer to a person who rides a horse mounted or otherwise handles or comes near a horse from the ground. The term I, ME, MY, shall herein refer to the above registered RIDER and the parents or legal guardians thereof if a minor.

WARNING

Under Florida law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from inherent risks of equine activities’.

- 3. Activity risk classification: I understand that horseback riding is classified as rugged adventure recreational sport activity, and that there are numerous obvious and non-obvious inherent risks always present in such activity despite all safety precautions. According to NEISS (National Electronic Injury Surveillance Systems of United States Consumer Products) horse activities rank 64th among the activities of people relative to injuries that result in a stay at U.S. hospitals. Related injuries can be severe requiring more hospital days and resulting in more lasting residual effects than injuries in other activities.



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4. Nature of riding horses: I understand that no horse is a completely safe horse. Horses are 5 to 15 times larger, 20 to 40 times more powerful, and 3 to 4 times faster than a human. If a rider falls from horse to ground it will generally be at a distance of from 3 ½ to 5 ½ feet, and the impact may result in injury to The Rider. Horseback riding is the only sport where one much smaller, weaker predator animal (human) tries to impose its will on, and become one unit of movement with another much larger, stronger prey animal with a mind of its own (horse) and each has a limited understanding of the other. If a horse is frightened or provoked it may divert from its training and act according to its natural survival instincts which may include, but are not limited to: stopping short, changing directions or speed at will, shifting its weight, bucking, rearing, kicking, biting, or running from danger.
5. Rider responsibility: I understand that upon mounting a horse and taking up the reins The Rider is in primary control of the horse. The Rider's safety largely depends upon his/her ability to carry out simple instructions, and his/her ability to remain balanced aboard the moving animal. The Rider shall be responsible for his/her own safety, and that of an unborn child, if The Rider is pregnant. Pregnant women should ride horses only under the advice of their physician. This Stable advises pregnant women not to ride horses.
6. Conditions of Nature: This Stable is NOT responsible for total or partial acts, occurrences, or elements of nature that can scare a horse, cause it to spook or react in some other unsafe way. Some examples are: thunder, lightning, rain, wind, wild and domestic animals, insects, reptiles, which may walk, run, fly near, bite and/or sting a horse or person; and irregular footing on out-of-door groomed or wild land which is subject to constant change in condition according to weather, temperature, and natural and man-made changes in landscape.
7. Inspection of premises: The Rider has inspected This Stable's facilities and trails and is satisfied that all premises conditions are reasonably safe for rider's intended purpose, usage, and presence upon This Stable's premises.
8. Accident/Medical and Personal Liability Insurance: I agree that should medical treatment be required, I and/or my own accident/medical insurance company shall pay for all such incurred expenses. My accident/medical insurance company is _____ and my policy number is _____. Should my actions or that of my horse cause injury or damage of any kind I and/or my own personal liability insurance shall pay for such damages. My personal liability insurance company is _____ and my policy number is _____.
9. Protective headgear warning: Participant, age 18 and older, is hereby warned by This Stable that all horse handlers/riders should wear properly fitted and secured protective headgear (equestrian riding helmet), and that wearing of such headgear while working around horses, may prevent or reduce severity of some head injuries and may even prevent death happening as a result of a fall or other occurrence. **All participants under the age of 18** will be required to wear a riding helmet when leading, grooming, riding, or otherwise being near horses, unless their parent or guardian signs, in the presents of a notary, a Helmet Opt-Out Form.
10. Liability release: In consideration of This Stable allowing my participation in this activity, under the terms set forth herein, I, The Rider, and the parent or guardian thereof if a minor, do agree to hold harmless and release This Stable, it's owners, agents, employees, officers, members, premises owners, insurers, and affiliated organizations from legal liability due to This Stable's ordinary negligence; and I do further agree that except in the event of This Stable's gross and willful negligence, I shall bring no claims, demands, actions and causes of



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action, and/or litigation, against This Stable and its associates as state above in this clause for any economic and non-economic losses due to bodily injury, death, property damage, sustained by the and/or my minor child or legal ward in relation to the premises and operations of This Stable, to include while riding, handling, or otherwise being near horses owned by or in the care, custody and control of This Stable.

11. In the event Rider is using Rider’s own horse, or a horse(s) not owned by This Stable, Rider warrants said horse(s) shall be free from infection, contagious or transmittable diseases, Instructor/Manager reserves the right to refuse access or use of any horse upon the premises that does not appear to Instructor/Manager to be in good health, or is deemed dangerous or undesirable. If the horse is not residing at This Stable proof of negative coggins is also required.

SIGNER STATEMENT OF AWARENESS

I/WE THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVE READ AND DO UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING AGREEMENT, WARNINGS, RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK. I/WE FURTHER ATTEST THAT ALL FACTS RELATING TO THE APPLICANT ARE TRUE AND ACCURATE.

SIGNATURE OF RIDER DATE

SIGNATURE OF PARENT, GUARDIAN AND/OR SPOUSE NAME (PLEASE PRINT) DATE

SIGNATURE OF WITNESS (NSTRUCTOR/MANAGER) NAME (PLEASE PRINT) DATE

Rider’s Address City State Zip

Rider’s Email Phone/Type

Parent/Guardian Address (if different from rider’s) City State Zip

Parent/Guardian Email Phone/Type



HART SAFETY RULES

Hidden Acres Rescue for Thoroughbreds (HART)

- NO DOGS permitted on property without prior approval and always on a leash.
- SHOES-closed toed shoes or boots must be worn in the barn, near or when riding horses.
- HELMETS-everyone must wear an ASTM/SEI approved helmet while mounted and/or in the round pen.
- MOUNTING AND DISMOUNTING in designated areas only, not in or near barn.
- RIDING is not allowed in the aisles of the barn.
- LEAD HORSES only at a walk towards barn, horses can get frisky and kick out or pull away from the handler near the barn.
- HANDLING HORSES-Never handle, touch or feed horses without permission from its owner-this includes all school and rescue horses.
- CROSS TIES-only use cross ties if they are secured to breakable twine AND DO NOT LEAVE HORSES UNATTENDED WHILE CROSS TIED.
- GRAZING HORSES must be on lead and supervised at all times.
- STALLS-never clean stall with a horse inside the stall, and do not enter stall with a horse without prior permission from owner or staff member.
- RUNNING, playing, and/or loud noises in or around the barn is not allowed.
- CHILDREN under 13 years old must be supervised by a parent / adult guardian.
- WILDLIFE AND SNAKES-leave them alone, report to staff member, remember they are wild!
- WEATHER can be changeable, be prepared. It may be raining at your house, but not at the barn, if in doubt, please call.
- SEVERE WEATHER - Take proper precautions when severe weather is in the area.
- LIABILITY FORMS-everyone handling or riding horses MUST have a current signed Liability Form.
- VISITORS must be accompanied by an adult in the barn, or have prior permission.
- VISITORS - If you are bringing a guest they must sign a liability release and be accompanied by you at all times.
- TOYS must be kept in play area only or they will be thrown away.
- FUN!!! Please use common sense and report any concerns to a staff member, and enjoy being at Hidden Acres. Our rules are designed so we can have fun safely!

I have read and agreed to these safety rules:

Signed

Printed Name

Date

Witness

Printed Name

Date



Jumping Rules (Effective January 1, 2019)

The following rules apply to everyone riding anywhere on HART property:

In a lesson:

Students may jump their horse over jumping fences during a lesson taught to them by a HART-approved instructor.

Under Supervision:

Riders may jump their horse under supervision of a HART-approved instructor. For example, an instructor may give a student permission to jump while the instructor is in the ring riding another horse.

WITHOUT SUPERVISION:

No jumping is allowed without supervision by a HART-approved instructor.

Use of cavalettis 12” high are allowed.

Note to all riders: Riders jumping always have the right-of-way in the ring. Riders jumping are responsible for announcing their jumps.

I have read and agreed to these safety rules:

Signed

Printed Name

Date



RELEASE (ADULT)

I [Name] _____, residing at _____ hereby grant to Hidden Acres Rescue for Thoroughbreds (HART), its legal representatives, successors and assigns, those for whom HART is acting, and those acting with its authority and permission by agreement or otherwise, which may include but is not limited to any individual, for-profit organization, and/or nonprofit organization (including, but not limited to, other animal welfare organizations) to whom HART chooses to grant authority and permission (each, a "Third Party Entity"), the absolute right and permission to copyright, HART name or otherwise, and/or use, re-use, publish, and re-publish video and/or photographic portraits of me in which I may be included, in whole or in part, or composite or distorted in character or form, as well as any textual materials that I may provide to HART in connection therewith, of which I represent and warrant that I am the sole owner and copyright holder (collectively, the "Content"). The foregoing permission is given, without restriction as to changes or alterations, in conjunction with my own or a fictitious name, or reproductions thereof, and in any and all media now or hereafter known for illustration, promotion, art, advertising, trade, or any other purpose whatsoever. I also consent to the use of any printed matter in conjunction therewith.

I hereby release, discharge and agree to hold harmless HART, its legal representatives, successors and assigns, or those for whom HART is acting, and all persons acting under its permission or authority by agreement or otherwise, including, but not limited to, a Third Party Entity, from any liability in the taking of said Content or in any subsequent processing thereof, as well as any publication thereof, including without limitation any claims for libel or invasion of privacy.

I HEREBY WARRANT THAT I HAVE THE RIGHT TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT, THAT I AM OVER EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE, THAT I HAVE READ THE ABOVE CAREFULLY PRIOR TO SIGNING BELOW AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS, AND AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND AN ENFORCEABLE LEGAL DOCUMENT BETWEEN MYSELF AND HART AND SIGN OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

This release shall be binding upon me and my heirs, legal representatives, and assigns.

SIGNATURE: _____

Date: _____

Telephone No.: _____

E-mail: _____



RELEASE (MINOR)

I [Name] _____, residing at _____ hereby grant to Hidden Acres Rescue for Thoroughbreds (HART), its legal representatives, successors and assigns, those for whom HART is acting, and those acting with its authority and permission by agreement or otherwise, which may include but is not limited to any individual, for-profit organization, and/or nonprofit organization (including, but not limited to, other animal welfare organizations) to whom HART chooses to grant authority and permission (each, a "Third Party Entity"), the absolute right and permission to copyright, in HART name or otherwise, and/or use, re-use, publish, and re-publish video and/or photographic portraits of [Name of Minor] _____ ("Minor") in which he/she may be included, in whole or in part, or composite or distorted in character or form, as well as any textual materials that I may provide to HART in connection therewith, of which I represent and warrant that I am the sole owner and copyright holder (collectively, the "Content"). The foregoing permission is given without restriction as to changes or alterations, in conjunction with his/her own or a fictitious name, or reproductions thereof, and in any and all media now or hereafter known for illustration, promotion, art, advertising, trade, or any other purpose whatsoever. I also consent to the use of any printed matter in conjunction therewith.

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I hereby warrant that I am the legal parent/guardian of Minor and have the right to contract in his/her name.

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SIGNATURE: _____

Date: _____

Telephone No.: _____

E-mail: _____

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