

**Home-Port Stables**  
**Nicholas, Eleanor and/or Nicole Black**  
2526 Campbell Rd.  
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Home-Port Stables welcomes you to its riding and boarding program. The purpose of this document is to raise your awareness and understanding of the dangers of riding and owning a horse and to outline the rules and guidelines for the property.

### **Liability Release Agreement**

It is understood that horses, no matter how well trained can be unpredictable and are subject to “animal error” as riders and teachers are to human error. Horsemanship and any exposure to horses is considered a hazardous sport and/or pastime. Injuries to participants (riders or horses) can occur at any time. In an effort to minimize injuries, **RIDING BOOTS or SHOES WITH HEELS and HARD HATS with Harness ARE MANDATORY WHENEVER MOUNTED.** Personal health insurance is strongly advised.

The undersigned agrees to release and hold harmless Home-Port Stables Nicholas, Eleanor and Nicole Black their employees, assignees or agents, herein referred to as “Home-Port Stables” from any and all claims, suits, damages or costs for any incident arising out of participation in any equine activity including but not limited to: mounting, riding, and or riding instructions, boarding, feeding, traveling within property occupied by livestock of any kind, spectator, participation in horse shows, events, camps, trail rides, and traveling to and from any equine related event that may result in bodily injury or property damage caused to any persons or property regardless of the negligence of Home-Port Stables its owners, employees or agents.

The undersigned further agrees that by participating in any activities at Home-Port Stables they knowingly and willingly assume the risk of any and all injuries (up to and including death, loss of limb, permanent loss of cognition, loss consciousness and any damage to personal property arising from any equine activity, including camps, boarding, riding, spectating or handling horses or being struck by flying debris, trees, bushes, or any other unanticipated hazard they might arise in the course of riding, training, traveling, hauling, boarding, showing, riding lessons or training of horse and rider.

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**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Managers Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

### **Release of Liability for Care and Control (Boarding) Horses**

In consideration of Boarding is the care, custody and control of a horse belonging to another. The undersigned agrees and understands that Home-Port Stables “HPS” is not in the business of boarding horses. The facility is not fully constructed and is primitive. Horses are free fed grass hay in form the of round bales and given alfalfa and grain daily. In order to minimize injuries sustained by “group feeding” each horse is tied to a tree while eating grain and alfalfa. This ensures each horse is given time and space to consume its proper amount nutrition.

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By signing this agreement owner \_\_\_\_\_ of horse known as \_\_\_\_\_ acknowledges and understands that the property is under construction and is not prepared to board horses belonging to others. The arena is not complete and is not being warranted as ready to use. Thus, any riding on/in it is done at owners own risk. Owner also agrees that she understands the property is mostly wooded, trails are rugged and incomplete, and often have debris, fallen trees, wild life and holes in ground that are often not visible. Owner agrees to release and hold harmless from liability HPS, its owners, employees, agents and assignees for any and all accidents occurring on property located at 2526 campbell rd Keswick, wa. Additionally, owner acknowledges that HPS is granting an exception to \_\_\_\_\_ by allowing the horse known as \_\_\_\_\_ to stay on the property because owner of horse and owner of property are friends and HPS acknowledges

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that owner of horse has few if any other options for the her and the horse. \_\_\_\_\_

Owner of horse warrants that horse is free of health problems, and/or contagious diseases. Owner further warrants that they are liable for all veterinary costs related to boarding of the horse including routine shots and wormer. In the event, horse becomes ill owner warrants that HPS has authority to call a vet if they feel it is necessary to provide proper care and that owner will be responsible for any and all vet bills associated with the horse.

**Condition of Horse:**

Owner warrants horse is healthy and in good condition and will provide detail explanation of existing ailments suffered by horse. In the space provided below owner describes any condition or difficulties in management that are related to the horse. This includes any dietary supplements that horse is receiving and the reason those supplements are given and veterinary history, reasons for visit, outcome, and expected long term prognosis.

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**Terms and Conditions**

1. Payment is due on a daily or weekly basis depending on number of lessons received in a given week. All extra charges such as vaning shall appear on a separate bill at the end of the month.
  
2. The management reserves the right to set credit limits for a customer and if payment is not prompt, barn and riding privileges will be suspended until said account is current.
  
3. HPS reserves the right to order from the premises at any time and without notice any owner, agent, rider, or visitors together with his property, who in the opinion of the management willfully creates or allows to be created any situation deemed to be illegal, unhealthy or detrimental to any horse or rider, or willfully endeavors to disrupt the tranquility or well-being of this establishment.

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Rider: \_\_\_\_\_

Management: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_