

Yorktown Stables

New Student Information

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Cell: _____

Would you like to receive text message notifications regarding lesson cancelations or changes? Yes No

Height: _____ Weight: _____ (Our horses are capable of only carrying a rider up to 230lbs)

Rider Ability (please check each applicable level) Walk ___ Trot ___ Canter ___ Jump ___ Jump Height ___

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Medical Information: Primary Physician: _____ Phone: _____

Does this rider have any physical and/or mental health conditions, problems, disorders, and or disabilities with the special-needs which may affect his/her safety and ability to ride a horse? _____ If "Yes", please describe:

Payment Method: (Please Circle): Cash Check Credit Card PayPal Cashapp Venmo (3.5% surcharge on all credit card charges)

| Lesson Package | Total | Discount |
|----------------------------------|-------|----------|
| 1 Hour Group Lesson | \$65 | |
| 4 Lesson Pack | \$250 | -\$10 |
| 8 Lesson Pack | \$480 | -\$40 |
| 1 Month Lease (3 rides per week) | \$400 | |
| 1 Hour Private Lesson | \$75 | |

**One month lesson package must be used within 30 days*

**Two month lesson package must be used within 60 days*

**Leases are due on the 1st of each month*

START DATE: _____ EXPIRATION DATE: _____

Cancellations & Policies

1. There is a 24-hour cancellation policy to reschedule a missed lesson.
2. If you cancel with less than 24 hours notice, or inadvertently miss your lesson, the lesson is subject to full charge.
3. All lesson packages are non-refundable/non-transferable. Please take note of your lesson package expiration date.
 - All riders must be dressed appropriately with riding pants or breeches, boots and an ASTM approved helmet.
 - Please note that your lesson hour includes tacking, untacking, warm-up and cool-out. Initial Here (___)

Student Name: _____

Date: ___/___/___

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY
Yorktown Stables 201 and 203 Hansford Lane, Seaford, Virginia 23696

Equine activity sponsor means YORKTOWN STABLES, an entity formed under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, that owns and operates an equestrian facility which includes the land, structures and all equine-related improvements located at both addresses of 201 Hansford Lane, Seaford, Virginia 23696 or the connecting property addressed 203 Hansford Lane, Seaford, Virginia (the “facilities”) and its members, managing members, managers, officers, directors, employees, agents, subsidiaries, affiliates, successors and independent contractors.

Landowner means YORKTOWN STABLES, an entity formed under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, that owns the land, structures and all equine-related improvements located at the addresses of 201 Hansford Lane, Seaford, Virginia (the “facilities”) and/or the property 203 Hansford Lane, Seaford, Virginia 23696 and its employees, members, managing members, directors, officers, trustees, subsidiaries, affiliates, agents and independent contractors. Landowner is the owner of the facilities.

Equine means a horse, pony, mule, donkey or hinny.

Equine activities means: (i) equine shows, combined tests, clinics, fairs, competitions, performances, or parades that involve any or all breeds of equines and any of the equine disciplines, including dressage, hunter and jumper horse shows, grand prix jumping, three-day eventing, combined training, rodeos, driving, pulling, cutting, polo, steeple chasing, endurance trail riding and western games and hunting; (ii) equine training or teaching activities; (iii) boarding equines; (iv) riding, inspecting, or evaluating an equine belonging to another whether or not the owner has received some monetary consideration or other thing of value for the use of the equine or is permitting a prospective purchaser of the equine to ride, inspect, or evaluate the equine; (v) rides, trips, hunts, or other equine activities of any type however informal or impromptu that are sponsored by an equine activity sponsor or occurs at the facilities; (vi) conducting general hoofcare, including placing or replacing horseshoes or hoof trimming of an equine; and (vii) providing or assisting in breeding or therapeutic veterinary treatment.

Participant means any person, whether amateur or professional, who engages in an equine activity, whether or not a fee is paid to participate in the equine activity.

PARTICIPANT'S FITNESS: Participant or participant’s parent, guardian or representative certifies that he/she or the minor child is in good health and that he/she or the minor child has no medical limitations that would preclude safe participation in equine activities.

PROTECTIVE GEAR: Participant or participant’s parent, guardian or representative expressly agrees that participant shall wear a properly fitted and secured protective headgear and hard-soled, heeled footwear at all times while riding or otherwise coming in contact with horses, and expressly assumes the risk and injury resulting from failure to do so and/or from selecting headgear or footwear which does not adequately protect against injury.

ASSUMPTION OF RISKS: Participant or participant’s parent, guardian or representative hereby acknowledges

the intrinsic dangers of equine activities and the hazards and risks inherent in equine activities, including but not limited to (1) the propensity of equines to behave in ways which may result in injury or death to participant or persons on or around them, (2) the unpredictability of an equine's reaction to sound, movements, sudden movements, objects, unfamiliar objects, persons, or animals, (3) hazards such as surface or subsurface conditions, (4) hazards created by objects such as loose leg wraps, jumps or games equipment, (5) the conduct of other riders or participants, (6) collisions between mounts, (7) collisions with other animals or objects; and (8) the potential of a participant acting in a negligent manner that may contribute to an injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the equine or not acting within the participant's ability. These and other risks can result in serious injury or even death. Participant or participant's parent, guardian or representative hereby specifically assumes these and all risks, and the risk of acts or omissions that constitute negligence for the safety of the participant by the equine activity sponsor and/or landowner, whether or not related to the preceding enumerated inherent risks.

AGREEMENT FOR RELEASE, WAIVER AND TO HOLD HARMLESS: In consideration of the participant being permitted to enter upon the facility and/or receive instruction or assistance from the agents or employees of equine activity sponsor and/or engage in equine activities at the facilities, the undersigned on behalf of his or herself and on behalf of participant and his or her heirs, next of kin, dependents, guardians, parents, representatives, executors or administrators hereby does release, indemnify (including costs and attorney's fees) and hold harmless the equine activity sponsor and the landowner from any cause of action, claims, demands or liability of any nature whatsoever, which said participant, his or her representatives, parents, agents, guardians, heirs, next of kin, dependents, executors or administrators, may now have, or have in the future, against said equine activity sponsor and/or landowner, on account of death, personal injury, property damage, or accident of any kind arising out of the participant being at the facilities and/or the participant's participation in, or observation of equine activities.

Participant or participant's parent, guardian or representative understands that by signing this Release and in consideration of the privilege to enter upon the facilities and/or to participate in equine activities at the facilities, he/she covenants and agrees that he/she, as well as his/her heirs, next of kin, representatives, agents, guardians, dependents, parents, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, will never institute any suit at law or equity or take legal action of any kind or nature or otherwise against the equine activity sponsor and/or landowner or in any way aid in the institution or prosecution of any claims, demand, action or cause of action for damages, costs, loss of services, expenses or compensation for or on account of any damage, loss or injury either to his/her person, property, or the person or property of such minor child which may result from the participant's presence or attendance at and/or participation in equine activities.

THIS RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL EXPRESSLY REVOKED IN WRITING BY THE PARTICIPANT OR PARENT, GUARDIAN OR REPRESENTATIVE, WITH RECEIPT ACKNOWLEDGED BY THE EQUINE ACTIVITY SPONSOR.

Participant states that he/she is of lawful age and legally competent to sign this release and waiver of liability which he/she has fully read, completely understands, having consulted and relied upon his own advisors on all questions in connections therewith, has not relied upon the equine activity sponsor and/or landowner for any advice or explanation in connection therewith and agrees with the terms of the release and waiver of liability. Participant understands the terms are contractual and not a mere recital and that he/she has signed this document of his /her own free will.

In the event that any of the provisions of this Release and Waiver of Liability are held to be unenforceable, the remaining portions of this Release and Waiver of Liability will remain in full force and effect.

LIABILITY ACTIONS PROHIBITED: Pursuant to Virginia Code §3.2-6202 no participant nor any participant's parent, guardian, or representative shall have or make any claim against or recover from any equine activity sponsor, equine professional, or any other person for injury, loss, damage, or death of the participant resulting from any of the intrinsic dangers of equine activities. No participant or parent, representative or guardian of a participant knowingly executing a waiver of rights to sue or agreeing to assume all risks may maintain an action against or of a participant engaged in an equine activity.

COVENANT NOT TO SUE: I, the participant, for myself and on behalf of the participant and our representatives, heirs, next of kin, guardians, agents, dependents, executors or administrators, for and in consideration of the privilege of being present at the facilities and/or participating in activities sponsored by Yorktown Stables pursuant to Virginia Code §3.2-6202, hereby promises not to sue or make any claim against Yorktown Stables and their members, managing members, managers, officers, directors, employees, subsidiaries, affiliates, agents, successors or independent contractors and any assigns of the said members, managing members, employees, managers, officers, subsidiaries, affiliates and directors due to any and all injuries, death and/or occurrences of any kind and nature which may arise during the course of any equine activities, shows, combined tests, three day eventing, clinics, training, lessons, exercising, transport and/or loading and unloading of horses, and any other activity that occurs at the facilities or is sanctioned by or in connection with Yorktown Stables. This Covenant not to Sue includes, but is not limited to, personal injury or death, property damage, and any other civil damage arising from the aforesaid activities. This Covenant not to Sue is perpetual in duration.

I further certify that I have read this "Covenant not to Sue" and understand that, by my signature hereon, I am giving up any and all rights I may have to sue or make a claim against any of the above described persons or entities at any time in the future. I further certify that I have been given ample opportunity to review this document, having consulted and relied upon my own advisors on all questions in connections therewith, have not relied upon the equine activity sponsor and/or landowner for any advice or explanation in connection therewith and agrees with its terms and certify that I am signing this document freely and voluntarily and without duress from any source. In the event that any of the provisions of this Covenant not to Sue are held to be unenforceable, the remaining portions of this Covenant not to Sue will remain in full force and effect. I hereby warrant and represent that I am in fact the participant or parent, representative or guardian of such minor participant, with full rights of custody and control.

Date

Signature of participant (if over 18 years old)

Print name of participant

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Lesson Requirements 2024:

1. Please bring a water bottle.
2. Riders must wear breeches or riding tights- these can be purchased at Doversaddlery.com, Smartpak.com, or any other equestrian clothing site.
3. Riders must wear English riding boots- riders may use Paddock Boots, but riders over 12 must either accompany their Paddock Boots with Half Chaps, or wear Tall Boots. Boots must be properly fitted; charts can be found on both tack websites listed above. Western/Cowboy boots will not be allowed.
4. Riders may borrow a Yorktown Stables ASTM approved riding helmet or purchase their own ASTM approved riding helmet. If you choose to show, black helmets will be required. If you need help finding a helmet, please let us know.

Rules 1, 2, and 3 are for the safety of our riders. Neither pieces of equipment need to be expensive, and can be purchased used. Please do not purchase used helmets.

5. Riders must have their hair contained by a ponytail holder, if their hair is long enough to go in one.
6. Lessons are 1-1.5 hours, but may run long. If you arrive later than 15 minutes without notice, your lesson is subject to being forfeited. Furthermore, if you arrive late we cannot add time to your lesson. There is no need to arrive earlier than the posted lesson time.
7. We are a facility dedicated to committed and passionate equestrians. Equestrian sports is not a seasonal activity, and good riders ride year round. For this reason, we do not hold any inactive lesson spots.
8. Instructor's phone numbers will not be given out. If you need to contact someone, our farm owner's number is publicly posted to be easily contacted.

Barn Rules and Information 2024:

1. Please wear closed toe shoes.
2. While we love having parents present, please avoid distracting the riders during the lesson. Please do not enter the rings unless there is an emergency. Sideline coaching will not be tolerated.
3. Parents are not allowed in the cross ties during lessons, except for emergency cases. Parents are always welcome to be present, we just ask that you sit at the picnic table or bench, and do not interfere with the instruction.
4. Be kind to the horses. We do not allow any physical correction to the horses without explicit instruction from the instructor.
5. Be kind to others. This barn will tolerate no drama, or unfriendly competition.
6. Please clean up after yourself, and your horse. Hose or sweep out wash racks when you are done, throw away your trash, pick up your belongings, and pick up your horses' poop. Please do not leave your tack in the aisle or cross tie area.
7. Visitors are always welcome, but please keep an eye on your friends. While our horses are kind,

please understand that they are animals, and wandering visitors will not be allowed. Please keep your visitors out of the barn area during lessons- visitors may sit on the picnic bench and watch.

8. Please park in the gravel parking lot, as grass is difficult and expensive to maintain. Do not drive to the riding arena unless in case of emergency.

9. Dogs are allowed if they are kept on a leash, good with cats/dogs/strangers/horses, and UTD on vaccines. Disruptive dogs will be asked to leave.

10. Do not chase our cats or chickens! If they do not wish to be petted, please leave them alone.

11. This is a barn- while our horses are very kind and well trained, if you stay long enough you will get bitten/kicked/stepped on/fall off. This is a sport, and no sport comes without its own risks.

12. No running or yelling- this is a barn, not a playground.

13. Please respect the facility and do not drive quickly, as we have horses, cats, dogs, chickens and children of varying sizes.

14. If you need to reschedule your lesson, a make up time will be available. We do not offer make ups for lessons canceled within 24 hours or no shows. If we have to cancel your lesson due to trainer conflict or bad weather, you will be offered another spot during the month.

15. Lessons that are stormed out are subject to becoming a "ground lesson" in the barn, and count as a lesson from your package. This is up to trainer discretion. 10% of being an equestrian is spent in the saddle, the other 90% is at the barn.

16. Lessons do not roll over, and are only good for the month you have paid for. If you are out of town for a portion of the month, consider riding multiple times on the weeks you are here. We do not offer refunds, for any reason.

17. Riders must wear a shirt- only wearing a sports bra is unsafe and unacceptable at the barn.

18. Helmets must be worn at all times while mounted.

19. We have a zero tolerance policy for clients purchasing a horse intended for our student without the help of one of our trainers- horse shopping without a professional can be extremely dangerous. It's our job, so let us help you!

20. Lesson times are subject to change. Since horseback riding is an outdoor sport, we change lesson times with the seasons.

21. Packages cannot be split between riders and are not transferable.