

HORSE RIDING PERMISSION - RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT

READ BEFORE SIGNING

PARTICIPANT'S NAME _____ AGE _____

Name of Parent or Legal Guardian _____

IN CONSIDERATION of being permitted to participate among and on horses on the premises of or under the auspices of CAMP BEECHPOINT, on behalf of the participant named above (we will collectively call I /ourselves "I" in this release). I acknowledge, appreciate, and agree that:

- 1) The risk of injury from the activities involved in this program is significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis or death. This risk includes, but is not limited to, my being in the presence of, mounted on, and/or leading horses and includes but is not limited to property damage, injury, or death resulting from the dangers or conditions that are an inherent risk of equine activity. "Inherent risk of an equine activity" means a danger or condition that is an integral part of an equine activity, including, but not limited to, any of the following: (a) An equine's propensity to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to a person on or around it, (b) The unpredictability of an equine's reaction to things such as sounds, sudden movements, and people, other animals, or unfamiliar objects, (c) A hazard such as a surface or subsurface condition, (d) Colliding with another equine or object.
- 2) By signing this RELEASE OF LIABILITY I UNDERSTAND AND KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OR LEGAL LIABILITY of those persons released from liability below, and assume full responsibility for my participation I understand that there maybe other risks, as well, and I agree to assume them; I am not relying on CAMP BEECHPOINT to list all possible risks for me.
- 3) I will comply with all rules and regulations of CAMP BEECHPOINT. If I have any question, or observe any unusual or unnecessary hazard during my participation, I will immediately notify the nearest instructor, director, or manager of CAMP BEECHPOINT.
- 4) I feel that the possible benefits to myself/my son/my daughter/my ward of participation in equine activities or being around horses or on CAMP BEECHPOINT's property are greater than the risk assumed. I hereby, intending to be legally bound, for myself on behalf of my heirs and assigns, personal representatives, and next of kin, waive and release forever all claims of damages against CAMP BEECHPOINT and its Officers, Directors, Instructors, Aides, Volunteers, Employees, Donors, and affiliated persons for any and all injuries and/or losses I/my son/my daughter/my ward may sustain while participating in CAMP BEECHPOINT horsemanship programs either on or off site, or while being on or near the premises of CAMP BEECHPOINT.

Michigan's law states:

Under the Michigan equine activity liability act, an equine director is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in an equine activity resulting from an inherent risk of the equine activity.

This release shall be valid starting from date executed for as long as participant either (1) participates in any activities associated with or (2) is on or near the premises of CAMP BEECHPOINT. If participant is a minor, Parent or Legal Guardian executes this agreement on behalf of himself/herself as well as the minor child or legal ward, (Minors will be required to complete etc. a new form at age 18 or upon change of guardianship).

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT OR COERCION BY ANYONE.

X _____ Age _____ Date signed _____
Client/Volunteer/Parent or Guardian of Minor (Under Age 18)