

Horse liability waiver template

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1. Rider details

Record the rider's name, contact information and emergency contact. Include a place to note the participant's age where relevant to your intake process.

2. Activities covered

List each activity the stable offers, such as lessons, trail rides, boarding or horse handling. Identify the horses or activity areas when that helps define the booking.

3. Inherent risks

Describe risks such as a horse's unpredictable reactions, a fall, uneven ground or a collision. Use examples that match the activities on your property.

4. Rider experience and ability

Ask the rider to state their experience level and any limits they want the instructor to know. Leave space for additional details.

5. Helmet and safety rules

List the safety equipment and stable instructions for riders. Explain rules for mounting, supervision and staying within designated areas.

6. Health and emergency contact

Provide space for relevant health information and an emergency contact. Tell riders how the stable will use those details during the activity.

7. Release of liability

Give the release its own heading and identify the parties and activities it addresses. Keep the wording clear enough for a rider to review before signing.

8. Warning notice

Leave a clearly labeled space for a notice connected to the activity.

9. Parent or guardian signature

Include a line for a parent or guardian when a minor participates. Record the adult's name and relationship to the rider.

10. Signature and date

Provide a dated rider signature line and a staff countersignature line. Keep the completed form with the rider's record.

State rules that change this form

- Florida's equine activity statute requires a signed participant document to carry the warning notice. The liability limit also does not protect a sponsor who supplied the horse and failed to make reasonable and prudent efforts to assess the participant's ability.
- Florida: The signed document carries this warning notice:
- 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 the inherent risks of equine activities.

- The liability limit does not protect a Florida sponsor who provided the horse and failed to make reasonable and prudent efforts to assess whether the participant could take part safely.
- This page covers Florida only, so check your own state's law before using the form.

Signatures

Rider signature: _____ Date: _____

Rider printed name: _____

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