Studio name _____

Horse lease agreement

The agreement between the horse's owner and the rider leasing it. It takes about five minutes.

About you

Rider leasing the horse
First name

Last name

Date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY)

Phone

Email

Mailing address
Street address

City, state, ZIP

Emergency contact

Your trainer or instructor (if any)

The horse

Horse's name

Breed

Color and markings

Sex

☐ Mare ☐ Gelding ☐ Stallion ☐ Filly ☐ Colt

Year foaled

Breed registration number (if any)

Microchip number (if any)

Owner's name

Where the horse is kept

Agreed value of the horse, if the owner and rider set one

The horse's health and soundness at the start

Pre-lease vet exam (if one was done)

Attach a copy to this form

The lease

Type of lease

☐ Full lease: the horse is mine to ride any day

☐ Half lease: set days each week, shared with the owner or another rider

☐ Partial lease: a set number of rides each week

Days or rides each week that are yours

Lease starts (MM/DD/YYYY)

Lease ends (leave empty for month to month) (MM/DD/YYYY)

The monthly lease fee, the day it's due and any late fee are shown here from the lease details.

What the horse may be used for

☐ Lessons ☐ Flatwork in the arena ☐ Jumping, up to the height below ☐ Trail rides

☐ Shows and clinics ☐ Hauling off the property

Highest jump allowed (if jumping)

Who may ride the horse

☐ Only me ☐ Me and my trainer ☐ Others only with the owner's written OK

Costs the rider pays

☐ Board ☐ Farrier ☐ Routine vet care and vaccines ☐ Emergency vet care

☐ Lessons and training ☐ Show and clinic fees ☐ Tack repairs ☐ Horse insurance

Is the horse insured (mortality or major medical)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Insurer, policy number, who pays and the insurer's phone

Vet to call for this horse

Most the rider may approve in an emergency before reaching the owner

What you agree to

Caring for the horse

I'll ride and handle the horse with care, keep to its routine, and tell the owner the same day about any injury, lameness, illness or change in behavior.

Initials

Only the uses agreed

I'll use the horse only as checked above and won't let anyone else ride, haul or show it unless this lease allows it.

Initials

Paying the costs

I'll pay the monthly lease fee on the day shown above and the costs checked above. If the fee is late past the grace days shown above, the late fee shown above may be added.

Initials

Emergencies

If the horse needs urgent care and the owner can't be reached, I may call the vet named above and approve care up to the limit above, and I'll keep trying to reach the owner.

Initials

If the horse can't be ridden

If the vet says the horse can't be ridden for a while, the owner and I will agree in writing whether the lease pauses, the fee changes or the lease ends.

Initials

Ending the lease

Either of us can end this lease with 30 days' written notice. When it ends I'll return the horse and any tack that came with it in the same condition, apart from normal wear.

Initials

Horses can be unpredictable

I understand horses are large, strong animals with minds of their own. Even a calm, well-trained horse can kick, bite, buck, rear, spook, stumble or bolt without warning, and a rider can fall or be thrown, stepped on or crushed.

Initials

Helmet and boots

I'll wear a properly fitted, fastened riding helmet that meets ASTM F1163 and carries SEI certification whenever I'm on a horse, and boots or shoes with a heel. The barn may refuse a ride without them.

Initials

Emergency care

If I'm hurt and can't decide for myself, staff may call emergency services and arrange for medical care. I'm responsible for the cost of that care.

Initials

I choose to ride

I take part by choice and accept these risks. To the extent the law allows, I release the owner, the barn, its staff and volunteers from claims for injury that results from the inherent risks of riding and being around horses.

Initials

the studio uses your health answers only to do your appointment safely and to keep the records the law requires. They are never used for marketing or sold. They are stored encrypted, and every time someone at the studio opens them it is logged.

Rider's signature

Date

Printed name

For the owner (For the studio)

Tack and equipment that come with the horse

Owner's signature **Date**

Printed name

Where your state sets an equine activity warning, add its exact text to this form. Each state's warning is on horse-barn.greatwork.company/equine-liability.