



## Thistle Ridge Equestrian Centre LLC

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### Thistle Ridge Equestrian Centre LLC Boarding Contract

This Boarding contract is made and entered into on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 200\_\_, by and between Thistle Ridge Equestrian Centre LLC, hereinafter designated "Manager," and \_\_\_\_\_, hereinafter designated "Owner." Manager agrees to accept Owner's horse \_\_\_\_\_ for boarding. This contract is structured under laws of the State of Maine. For and in consideration of the agreements hereinafter set forth, Owner and Manager mutually agree as follows:

1. Owner agrees that Manager, their agents and employees are not liable for death, sickness and/or accident, including consequential damages caused by horse. In addition, Owner agrees to hold Manager completely harmless and not liable for any injury whatsoever caused to Owner, and or loss or damage to personal property.
2. It is the Owner's responsibility to carry full and complete insurance coverage on Owner, Owner's horse and all personal property. Owner agrees to abide by all Manager's rules and regulations and to wear proper safety equipment (i.e. Approved helmet and boots).
3. Owner shall pay Manager for boarding services, \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month. In addition, optional services are available on Appendix A and will be charged accordingly.
4. First and last months board is due prior to Owner boarding a horse. Proof of Negative Coggins, veterinarian's health certificate and health, worming and immunization record which includes rabies, VEWT, strangles and rhino flu required prior to boarding.
5. Manager will be responsible for providing feed, shelter, and clean, dry bedding for the horse. All other care (supplements, grooming, exercising, etc.) will be the responsibility of the Owner, unless other arrangements are made.
6. Manager will have a choice of grain available from a reputable vendor. If the Owner has a preference of feed other than what is offered, special arrangements can be made (additional fees may be charged, no reduction in board if owner provides own grain).
7. The owner is not to handle any other horse at the facility other than his or her own except in an emergency without prior written permission.
8. Board shall be due on the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of each month for that current month; timely payments are strictly enforced. If board is not paid by the seventh (7<sup>th</sup>) day of the month a \$25.00 late fee will be charged. If account is 60 days past due and after three documented attempts to contact Owner, the horse will be considered abandoned. Owner agrees that Manager may sell the horse at auction or private sale and Manager has the right to deduct all past due fees and any other direct charges from the proceeds. The balance will be sent to Owner's last known address.
9. Owner must give the Manager two (2) weeks notice before removing horses from the stable. If the horse is removed prior to the end of the contract month, no board will be refunded, nor will board be prorated, except if the horse is to begin boarding after the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month that month will be 50% board. No horse may be removed until all outstanding fees are paid.
10. Horse shall be free from infectious, contagious or transmissible diseases. Manager reserves the right to refuse any horse not in proper health. If the horse's vaccinations are not kept current by Owner, Manager reserves the right to have a veterinarian administer the vaccinations at Owner's expense.
11. Manager reserves the right to notify the Owner within seven (7) days of a horse's arrival if horse, in Manager's opinion, is deemed dangerous, sick or uncontrollable for a boarding stable. In such case, Owner is responsible for removing the horse within seven (7) days and for all fees incurred during horse's stay. After all fees have been paid, this Contract is concluded.
12. At any time during the boarding term, the Manager has the right to ask Owner to remove their horse if said horse is deemed dangerous, or if owner is deemed disruptive, destructive, displays reckless behavior, is non-compliant with Thistle Ridge rules or fails to fit in with the philosophy around which Thistle Ridge Equestrian Centre LLC was founded. If owner is asked to leave by the manager this contract is considered severed and owner has 7 (seven) days to remove their horse.

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Manager(s) Initial \_\_\_\_\_

13. Regular veterinarian and farrier attention shall be scheduled by the Manager. Owner is responsible for payment to those service providers. Worming will be conducted on one (1) day to provide best protection for the horses. Manager will schedule the day for worming. Owner is responsible for worming horse on that day. If Owner is not able to perform those duties Manager will provide the service for a fee. See Appendix A.
14. The owner agrees that if in the sole opinion of a veterinarian retained by Manager and an emergency situation should arise affecting the horse that requires immediate medical or surgical treatment, such treatment may be provided by a veterinarian retained by Manager at the expense of the Owner. Manager shall not be held responsible or liable for damages in any manner whatsoever resulting from such treatment. Manager will make every effort to contact Owner prior to treatment being performed.
15. No Horses may roam freely. They must always be in hand, under saddle, contained in the indoor or round pen, or turned out to pasture.
16. Children under 16 must be accompanied and supervised by an adult.
17. Manager will provide training and instruction for an additional fee. If Owner desires to have an outside trainer or instructor said instructor trainer must provide proof of insurance coverage naming Manager as an additional insured before any training or instruction may commence. The trainer or instructor must use humane and courteous methods. Cruelty to either horses or humans will not be tolerated.
18. Should either party breach this Contract, the breaching party shall pay for the other's court costs and attorney fees related to the breach.
19. This Contract represents the entire agreement between the parties. No other agreements or promises, verbal or implied are included unless specifically stated in this written agreement; each party should separately initial any additional agreements.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Owner or Parent Signature

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Thistle Ridge Equestrian Centre, by its agent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Horse Owner Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State and Zip

(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone

(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail

Horse Information:

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Reg# \_\_\_\_\_

Color/Markings \_\_\_\_\_

Other Information \_\_\_\_\_

Turnout Instructions \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Veterinarian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person if Owner cannot be reached \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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**APPENDIX A**  
**BOARDING FEES AND OPTIONAL CHARGES**

Boarding Fees	\$400.00 per month
Horses that require Individual Paddock Turnout	\$450.00 per month
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Optional Charges:	
Exercising a boarder's horse	\$25.00 per hour
Training a boarder's horse (1 hour training 5 days a week)	\$700.00 per month + Board
Leasing a school horse for 3 hours riding per week	\$150.00 per month
Leasing a school horse for 2 hours riding per week	\$100.00 per month
Leasing a school horse for 1 hour riding per week	\$75.00 per month
Holding a boarder's horse for Vet, Farrier, Dentist	\$25.00 per hour (1 hour min)
Blanketing daily	\$30.00 per month
Bell boots & Leg Wraps (Velcro style) Daily	\$30.00 per month
Leg wraps (Polo style) Daily	\$50.00 per month
Routine medical care (bandaging, soaking feet, worming, etc.)	\$25.00 per hour + Supplies (1hour min)
Providing supplies (wormer, shampoo, cleaning etc.)	\$Cost + 15% restocking fee
Private Lesson (one person)	\$50.00 per hour
Semi-Private (two people)	\$30.00 per hour per person
Group Lesson (three to four people)	\$25.00 per hour per person
Summer Day programs (3 hours a day for 1 week)	\$275.00 per session
Private Lesson	\$50.00 per hour
Semi-Private (two people)	\$30.00 per hour per person
Group Lesson (three to five people)	\$25.00 per hour per person
Non Boarder renting facilities:	
Indoor Arena	\$30.00 per hour
Outdoor Arena	\$30.00 per hour
Round Pen	\$25.00 per hour
Whole Facility (8 hours)	\$700.00 per day
Transporting horses	\$35.00 per hour + \$0.60 per mile

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