



HVRHA RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I apply to participate in or observe equine events provided and sponsored by Hudson Valley Ranch Horse Association (HVRHA). By signing this **RELEASE OF LIABILITY** I understand that my involvement in a Ranch Horse Event will expose me to above normal risks due to the unpredictable behavior of horses and their reactions to surroundings of unfamiliar objects, sounds and cattle.

Examples of these risks include but are not limited to: Collisions, kicking, biting, rearing, bucking, striking, rolling, bolting and trampling. I understand that horses have a tendency to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm or death to a person on or around them. I agree that I assume and acknowledge these and other dangers that are inherent in horse related activities. I agree that I am responsible for my own safety. I agree that I have my own medical coverage. I agree that the HVRHA, their members, employee's and agents will not be liable if i suffer personal injury or death. I agree not to bring any claims, demands or lawsuits against HVRHA, their members, employee's and agents. I agree that if HVRHA their members, agents or employees are sued by anyone else because of claimed conduct by myself, I will indemnify and hold them harmless from all damages and costs, including reasonable actual attorney fees.

I agree that by signing this release it becomes binding on me, my heirs and assigns, and thus I am allowed to participate in HVRHA activities or ride on property rented or in use for events. I have read this waiver and liability release and I fully understand it. I am eighteen years of age or older and that I am signing this release on my own behalf (or) on the behalf of my minor children), our heirs, representatives and assigns. I understand I am responsible for my own financial loss in relation to any theft or damage to my personal property, tack, equipment, vehicles, trailers and horses while on the premises where an equine event is being held by HVRHA.

I also fully understand and acknowledge that New York State has a helmet law regarding & pertaining to anyone under the age of fourteen (14) years of age who participates in any equine event.

Upon purchase of a HVRHA Membership, member agrees to abide by the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations of ARHA and HVRHA. A HVRHA membership is not required to participate in a HVRHA Event as long as the participant provides proof of a current ARHA membership, but a HVRHA membership **must be** purchased to be eligible for Day end and year-end points and awards.

I (We) agree to abide by the rules of the American Ranch Horse Association and Hudson Valley Ranch Horse Association and will work to promote the association.

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