

Seclusion Farms

SECLUSION FARMS: FARM RULES AND POLICIES

TO ENSURE SECLUSION FARMS IS A SAFE, CLEAN, AND FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL HORSES, BOARDERS, STUDENTS, GUESTS, AND CLIENTS, WE ASK THAT YOU FOLLOW THE FARM RULES LISTED BELOW. PLEASE NOTE THAT RULES MAY BE ADDED AND UPDATED PERIODICALLY AND WILL BE POSTED AT THE BARN AND ON OUR WEBSITE (SECLUSIONFARMS.COM). SECLUSION FARMS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REMOVE OR REFUSE ENTRY TO ANYONE WHO VIOLATES ANY OF THESE RULES. THANK YOU!

HOURS

1. There are no specific hours for use of facilities and barn, however, please be respectful of residences on the property. No loud activities or radio use between 10pm and 7am. Also, please, no calls between 7pm and 7am unless urgent or an emergency

GENERAL

2. All boarders, riders, and guests must fill out a *Liability Release Waiver* before participating in any equine activity. These can be found in the grey wall mounted folder in the grooming area.
3. No illegal substances, alcohol, tobacco products, or guns are allowed on the premises.
4. Children are to be supervised by an adult at all times.
5. Personal pets are not allowed on premises, unless permission has been given in advance.
6. Do not speed up the driveway. If you are entering the gate and see someone come up the driveway (leaving), please back into the open / caddied space in the woods near the green sign on the tree and allow the other driver to pass. Trucks with trailers always have priority / right of way.
7. Do not climb on fences or gates. Notify management if you notice any issues with fencing or broken gates, etc.
8. If you open it, close it. If you turn it on, turn it off. If you take it out, put it back.
9. Please be sure to turn off water hoses after use. All hoses need to be turned off at the source, with exception to the outside wall spigot near the wash area (turn on and off via the shower looking nozzle, which also controls hot and cold water). In the winter, please be sure to put the insulation covers back over the water source after use. Coil hoses appropriately.
10. Please turn off barn and/or arena lights if you are the last one to leave the barn. Please keep lights off when not in use.
11. Close and latch all gates and stall doors. Very Important!
12. On stalls with a snap, please be sure snap is secured when horse is in stall.
13. Be careful when turning out or bringing in your horse from a pasture.
14. NEVER use or handle (or feed) anyone's horse, tack, etc. without explicit permission to do so!
15. Keep horse treats/feed in metal or hard plastic containers. Otherwise it will attract mice.
16. Clean up after your horse in barn aisle ways, wash racks, cross ties / tacking areas. Keep the aisle clean of tack, brushes, halters, HAIR & HOOF pickings or manure. Do not wash hair or manure down the drain in the wash station.
17. Clean up after yourself while at the barn, including drinks or food you bring. Do not leave equipment or tack lying around. If something needs to be hanged dried, please use the designated rack by the wash area and remove once dry. Items left out will be placed in the lost and found bin.

RIDING

18. Helmets are required while riding at all times unless a waiver has been signed. All minors are required to wear helmets.
19. Hacking in the pastures is allowed, but we recommend this only be done when the stall horses are not turned out.
20. Follow proper arena rules/etiquette while riding. Be mindful of young and inexperienced riders.
21. There may not be someone around when you decide to ride. If you choose to ride alone, we recommend letting someone know you are riding (for your safety).

HORSE SAFETY

22. Do not leave your horse unattended in the arena, grooming area, or wash area.
23. Keep your horse on a lead at all times when out of the stall or pasture.

24. Halters are to be taken off horses when being put into a pasture or stall.

STALL USE DURING NON SCHEDULED TIMES

25. We understand there are circumstances in which a horse may need to be stalled during a non-scheduled time.
- A. FULL BOARDERS: We do ask that you help to clean it after use if you are able, especially if a horse is left in for the full length of their scheduled turnout time, as it would need to be cleaned twice in that day.
 - B. PASTURE BOARDERS: You may use an available stall if necessary (with pre-approval). You will be given (2) complimentary uses per month (if you clean the stall), and after that, a fee of \$5/day will be added to your board for the following month. A cleaning and shavings fee of \$5/day will also apply if you do not clean the stall you used (for the 2 complimentary uses).

COMMUNICATION

- 26. Absolutely no cursing, nay saying or gossip allowed. If you have concerns with something please contact Catherine Sykes.
- 27. Please notify management of any necessary repairs, maintenance, problems, or needed supplies so that we can take care of them as soon as possible.
- 28. Please let management know about any feeding changes you would like to make.
- 29. Please be sure to update Catherine Sykes with any changes in contact information.

ACCIDENTS

- 30. In the event of an accident or injury involving a horse or person, please contact Catherine Sykes at 770-317-6306 or Michele McAvoy at 706-401-3905 immediately.
- 31. If an accident occurs (someone falls, etc.) do not move them or remove their helmet. Let the person rise only by their choice. **If the person is unable to speak, in severe pain, or incoherent, please call 911 immediately.** Then call Catherine Sykes or Michele McAvoy. An accident report will need to be filled out.
- 32. If you see any unsafe behavior please let Management know as soon as possible. Do not confront a person unless the horse or person is in immediate danger.

I have read, understood and agree to these rules. Date: _____/_____/2020

Printed Name: _____

Signature of Client (Rider): _____

Signature of Legal Guardian (if client is a minor): _____

Thank you for helping SECLUSION FARMS be a safe, fun and great experience for everyone!