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# ABDERRY

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*Your Professional Equine Educators*

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ABDERRY EQUINE SERVICES LIMITED CODE OF CONDUCT AND REGULATIONS FOR USE OF FACILITIES**

I hereby agree to abide by all rules and regulations laid down by Abderry Equine Services Limited, (herein after called AESL) as amended from time to time and, in particular, I hereby agree and clearly understand that, by accepting AESL's terms and signing this agreement I will be precluded from suing or otherwise claiming against AESL, its proprietors or owners, for any injury, loss or damage howsoever sustained.

1. I understand that use of the facilities is on a Pre-Paid basis. I will purchase my tickets before making my booking to use the facilities. Confirmation of my being able to use the facilities has to be confirmed by the office, 09 2363 867 or by a returned e-mail from [abderry@ihug.co.nz](mailto:abderry@ihug.co.nz) before I can arrive to use my booking.
2. I have provided accurate information on my ability to handle my horse/s and I accept that the proprietor/s and management have a right to, refuse to let me bring a horse to, or ride at this establishment and to restrict the riding or handling of my horse to a specific area/s.
3. I agree to wear regulation headwear, footwear and clothing at all times and understand that the proprietor/s and management have a right to check and make a binding decision on the suitability of my headwear, footwear and clothing.

Current definitions of "Regulation headwear, footwear and clothing" are

Headwear: Properly secured, with a chinstrap, protective headgear which meets or exceeds the quality standards of the ASNZ3838 approved equestrian helmet at all times while riding

Footwear: Boots should have smooth heels and soles and be individually matched to the stirrup for size. Stirrups should be 2-3cm wider than the boot while riding. Closed toed boots or shoes while handling the horse from the ground.

Clothing: All riding shirts to have at least short sleeves.

Body Protectors: I understand that it is recommended that body protectors are worn while riding but are not compulsory.

4. I will follow all safety procedure instructions from management and team meticulously.
5. I will always ride at Abderry with a saddle and bridle. I will use a bridle or leading bit when leading my horse for exercise.
6. I acknowledge that it has been recommended that I have Personal Accident Insurance cover.
7. I have signed the "Emergency Medical Release" form, and "Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement" form which is on file at the Abderry office
8. I will not bring a dog onto the Abderry property but I am aware that Abderry management and team have dogs and therefore I accept that my horse and I might be, from time to time, exposed to "a canine distraction".
9. I will follow the parking instructions given to me but unless instructed otherwise I will park my vehicle and truck/trailer in the designated parking area accessible from Gate 2.
10. I will clean up my litter, horse manure, and loose hay and put this on the muck trailer provided. I will take all other personal refuse home with me.
11. I will not tie my horse to any fence, or tree or post. It will be tied to my truck on placed in a yard designated by an Abderry Team member.
12. I will not enter "The Abderry Boarding School Stable Area" unless specifically invited or supervised by an AESL team member. I will not approach, pet or interact with any horse, other than my own when on AESL grounds.
13. I undertake to supervise all minors and guests that I bring to Abderry and to ensure that they understand and abide by these rules and regulations.
14. I acknowledge that any instructor wishing to teach at Abderry must first be approved by AESL. **The instructor MUST also comply with the wearing and use of safety equipment as detailed in Point 3 above.**

15. I understand that use of the Abderry facilities will not necessarily be possible during the hours of 7.00am and 3.00pm daily.
16. I am aware that Abderry has a Walker and that it might be in operation during the time that I have hired one of the facilities.
17. I acknowledge that Abderry's facilities are primarily for the training of young and potentially unruly horses and that sometimes these horses react in an unexpected fashion which might in turn upset my horse.
18. I understand that my booking to hire an arena/facility will only give me access to that designated area and that other horses and riders will probably be using the surrounding areas at the same time.
19. I acknowledge that I am not allowed to work in an area being used by an Abderry Boarding School horse unless given express permission by management or team.
20. I will not use an arena or exercise track for longer than the maximum time booked.
21. I will respect the safety of other users of the Abderry facilities by temporarily stopping my horse's training until an excited horse or rider has been calmed down.
22. I will display a professional level of conduct in keeping with the standard of Abderry at all times.
23. I understand that if I book to hire an arena I will only have exclusive rights to that facility if I have paid the exclusive rights fee. If I hire the exercise tracks, I acknowledge that I am unlikely to have exclusive rights to their use.
24. I will not canter past or directly towards another horse on one of the exercise tracks or paddocks.
25. I will not leave a horse unattended in an arena and I understand that lunging is only ever allowed in one of the designated enclosed arenas
26. I will not gallop on any of the exercise tracks or paddocks and I will respect the safety of other riders and users of the Abderry facilities.
27. If I have hired the exercise tracks/paddocks I will not open any gates to gain access to additional paddocks.
28. I will leave any jumps used as I found them or as directed by Abderry management or team and I will report all breakages.
29. I will report all
  - a. Accidents (physical injuries)
  - b. Serious incidents (near misses) where there is no actual physical injury
  - c. Incidents where there may be potential for psychological trauma (e.g. a horse bolting) and
  - d. Incidents involving property damage to the Abderry office at once or as soon as practically possible on 09 2363 867. I understand that I will be required to complete an Incident Report
30. I acknowledge that it has been recommended that I carry a mobile phone with me so that I can react quickly in an emergency situation and that the Abderry Stables and/or Office may not be open at the time I require assistance.
31. I acknowledge that the official Abderry office hours are M-F 8:00am – 5:00pm.
32. Emergency procedures: Call the St John's Ambulance – 111 – in case of emergency.
33. First aid kits are located in the tack room of the Abderry Stables and in the Abderry Office. Emergency instructions are also posted in these places.
34. The telephone number of the Abderry Stables is 09 2363 775 and the Abderry Office phone number is 09 2363 867.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, acknowledge that I have read and understood this Code of Conduct and Regulations and I agree to abide by these conditions.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

If the user of the facilities is a minor i.e., person under 18 years of age, then parent or guardian must also sign this document.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, parent or legal guardian of the above signatory acknowledge that I have read and understood this Code of Conduct and Regulations and I agree to abide by these conditions.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

