

**YOU ASSUME THE RISK OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES PURSUANT TO PENNSYLVANIA LAW
BUCKS COUNTY HORSE PARK RULES**

1. **ALL PERSONS USING THE PARK MUST SIGN THE RELEASE FORM SET FORTH BELOW. THIS FORM IS PART OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND CONSTITUTES YOUR AGREEMENT TO THESE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP AND YOUR AGREEMENT TO FOLLOW THESE RULES.**
2. Be aware that animal holes, rocks, loose dirt, trees, steep inclines, logs and barriers exist on trails and this may be hazardous to you, your mount, or your equipment. Jumping can be dangerous. The Park has erected jumps on various landowners' properties. Jumping is totally the rider's responsibility. Always use protective headgear, and never jump alone. USEA training level and above jumps are unforgiving. Do not jump these jumps unless you are experienced and accompanied by an adult ground person.
3. Protective headgear should be worn by all riders.
4. Only ride on the marked trails or marked open fields. When weather conditions exist that would compromise safe footing, please stay off grass fields, owners' lawns and ride on established trail lane.
5. Do not carry or use disposable eating or drinking containers on trails; do not litter trails, property or roadway. No smoking on trails unless you carry a fireproof container to contain the finished butt.
6. Most trails are conditioned for all weather use; however, where trails can be permanently damaged by misuse in bad weather, or when footing is dangerous, be prudent.
7. Many trails have barriers and gates to prevent misuse by motored vehicles. Large barriers will have a 1ft high walk through. You should be able to negotiate these.
8. Driving ponies and horses should only use the groomed driving trails. There are some fairly steep hills and you should be capable of braking or holding back safely.
9. Keep your horse and/or dog under control; you are personally liable for your actions. During events owners of unleashed dogs will be fined \$50.
10. There is no hunting or unauthorized motorized vehicles allowed on Bucks County Horse Park land or easements; however, many of the trails go over land that is not an easement and is not owned by the Park. This land may have hunting or motorized vehicles permitted, so be aware of it during the appropriate seasons. Be aware that neighboring Rod & Gun Clubs may produce loud noises, so be prepared for the possibility of such noises.
11. All persons that wish to use this Park must become a member pay the appropriate member fees, read, and sign this release and agreement
12. Always display Horse Park membership badge prominently when entering and while using the Horse Park. Parking Permit tag must be displayed on vehicles as well. Day Pass Members please display your numbered Parking Tag.
13. Horses may not be turned loose or FREE LUNGED in any arena. A Round Pen is available at the rear of Parking.
14. Trainers who bring students to the Horse Park must carry appropriate insurance, and all students must be members of the Park. Trainers are not guaranteed exclusive use of any of the Horse Park facilities at any time.
15. Any members arriving by trailer should use the Rt. 611 entrance. Parking areas include: the gravel lot at the entrance, parking area to the left of the rings and the screened parking areas above the pavilion. All manure and trash must be removed from the parking areas by those using the Park.
16. Always be respectful of farmers' crops and land owners' property. It is through their generosity that we have trails to ride.
17. **Any and all photographs taken at the BCHP by a contracted photographer or BCHP staff are subject to being used in BCHP advertising and/or documents.**

RELEASE, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, WAIVER AND INDEMNIFICATION
This document waives important legal rights. Read it carefully.

I AGREE in consideration of my membership in the Park to the following:

I AGREE that I choose to participate voluntarily in activities in the Park. I am fully aware and acknowledge that horse sports and activities in the Park involve inherent risks of accident, loss, and serious bodily injury, including broken bones, head injuries, trauma, pain, suffering and death ("Harm").

I AGREE to release the Park from all claims for money damages or otherwise from any Harm to me or my horse and for any Harm caused by me or my horse to others, even if the Harm resulted, directly or indirectly, from the negligence of the Park.

I AGREE to expressly assume all risks of Harm to me or my horse, including Harm resulting from negligence of the Park.

I AGREE to indemnify (that is, to pay any losses, damages, or costs incurred by) the Park and to hold them harmless with respect to claims made by others for any harm caused by me or my horse in the Park. I acknowledge that the Park encourages me to wear protective equipment while WARNING that no protective equipment can guard against all injuries.

If I am a parent or guardian of a junior member, I consent to the child's participation in activities in the Park and AGREE to all of the above provisions and AGREE to assume all of the obligations of this Release on the child's behalf.

I represent that I have the requisite training, coaching and abilities to safely use the Park and acknowledge that I am fully responsible for my own safety and the safety of my animals.

I AGREE that "Park" as used above includes the Bucks County Horse Park, its

trustees, officers, volunteers, employees, agents, the landlord of the Park's property, and the landowners who permit use of their property by the Park whether by easement or permission.

I have read and understand the rules and regulations of the Bucks County Horse Park and I AGREE that I will abide by these rules.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Guardian's Signature _____

Date: _____