



Trotwood Farm
15780 South Kellogg School Rd
Hickory Corners, MI 49060
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RELEASE OF LIABILITY

Please read carefully before signing:

I apply to ride horses/board horses/take riding lessons/ride in the arena/ride on the outdoor trails/and/or participate in or observe equine events provided by or sponsored by TROTWOOD FARM owned by Lindsay and Ruth Rinehart and located in Hickory Corners, MI.

WARNING:

Under the MICHIGAN EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT, an equine professional is NOT liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in an equine activity resulting from an inherent risk of the equine activity.

I understand that horseback riding will expose me to above normal risks. These risks include but are not limited to: loss of control, collisions, obstacles, variations in terrain and surface and subsurface conditions, and unexpected actions of the horse, such as kicking, biting, rearing, bucking, striking, rolling, bolting, or running away from danger by trotting, cantering, or galloping. I also understand that I will be exposed to inherent risks of an equine activity including, but not limited to, the unpredictability of an equine reaction to things such as sounds, sudden movement, and people, other animals, and/or unfamiliar objects. I further understand that horses have a propensity to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to a person on or around it.

I agree that **I assume and acknowledge these and other dangers that inhere in the activity of horseback riding or any other horse related activities.**

I agree that **I am responsible for my own safety.**

I agree that **I have my own medical insurance coverage.**

I agree that **Trotwood Farm, Lindsay and Ruth Rinehart, the owners, their employees and agents will NOT be liable** if I suffer personal injury or death, **EXCEPT** if caused by their GROSS NEGLIGENCE OR WILFUL AND WANTON MISCONDUCT.

I agree not to bring any claims, demands, actions or lawsuits against Trotwood Farm Lindsay and Ruth Rinehart, the owners, their employees, agents, or representatives.

I agree that if Trotwood Farm, Lindsay Rinehart and Ruth Rinehart, the owners their employees or agents, are sued by anyone else because of claimed conduct of myself, **I will indemnify and hold them harmless from all damages and costs, including reasonable actual attorney fees.**

I agree that the consideration for this RELEASE to be binding on me, my heirs and assigns, is that I am permitted to enter onto the premises, receive lessons, ride, rent, or be near a horse, board a horse, or attend an equine event on the property.

I specifically affirm and agree that **THIS RELEASE CONSTITUTES A WAIVER OF LIABILITY BEYOND THE PROVISIONS OF THE MICHIGAN EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT. 1994 P.A. 351.**

I agree that **Michigan law governs** the interpretation and enforceability of this RELEASE.

I acknowledge and agree that Trotwood Farm, Lindsay Rinehart, and Ruth Rinehart, have advised me that I should purchase and wear a properly fitted and secured ASTM/SEI- certified safety helmet/protective headgear to prevent injury or death occurring as a result of a fall or other circumstances. I understand that Trotwood Farm and Lindsay and Ruth Rinehart are NOT required to provide such helmets.

I acknowledge that I am eighteen years of age or older, and that I am signing this RELEASE on my own behalf (and on behalf of my minor child[ren]) _____, (ages), our heirs, representatives, and assigns.

**I HAVE READ ALL THREE PAGES OF THIS RELEASE
BEFORE SIGNING IT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND MY
RESPONSIBILITIES.**

Dated: _____

Signature: _____

Name (printed): _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-mail: _____

Person to contact in emergency: _____

Their Telephone Number: _____

Accepted for Trotwood Farm by: _____