

PLEASE READ THIS DOCUMENT CAREFULLY AND DO NOT SIGN IT UNLESS YOU FULLY UNDERSTAND IT.

STUDENT APPLICATION – PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM

This document covers the providing of riding/driving instruction by an authorized Instructor at *High Tail Acres, LLC*, Newbury, MA to the Student named on this application. By signature hereon, *High Tail Acres, LLC* agrees to provide the instructor, horse/pony, and facilities to deliver the agreed upon instruction and the student (parent/guardian if student is a minor) agrees to attend and pay for the provided instruction.

Student's Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Age: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Relationship: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____

Riding/Driving Experience: _____

In order to serve your individual needs, please inform *High Tail Acres, LLC* if you/your child has a particular learning style. Thank you. _____

Release: I, the Student (parent/guardian) recognize the inherent risks of injury involved in horse related activities (including grooming, handling, riding and driving); that accidents do happen; that the condition of footing, inside and outside, is rarely perfect; and that horses/ponies oftentimes react to outside stimuli, becoming frightened or irritated and may divert from any training it has received and may react in a manner which may include, but not limited to: stopping short, changing direction or speed at will, bucking, rearing kicking in order to escape perceived danger. In taking lessons at *High Tail Acres, LLC* I (parent/guardian) assume any and all such risk of injury, and further, I (parent/guardian) release *High Tail Acres, LLC* it's owners, instructors, trainers, coaches, assistants, volunteers, etc. from any and all responsibility on account of any injury that may be sustained whether on or off the premises of *High Tail Acres, LLC*. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless forever *High Tail Acres, LLC*, it's owners, instructors, trainers, coaches, assistants, volunteers, etc. on account of any such claim, except in the case of willful and wanton negligence.

Parent/guardian's signature hereon gives permission to *HTA, LLC* to photograph, display photos and use photos in advertisements, social media and on the *HTA, LLC* website, etc.

In order to respect the privacy of other clients/students and their horses, video & photos are limited to your child or you only. Please seek the permission of your and/or your child's instructor/trainer to videotape and/or photograph your/their lesson. Thank you.

WARNING: UNDER MASSACHUSETTS LAW, AN EQUINE PROFESSIONAL IS NOT LIABLE FOR ANY INJURY TO OR THE DEATH OF, A PARTICIPANT IN EQUINE ACTIVITIES RESULTING FROM THE INHERENT RISKS OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 128, SECTION D OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

Medical Authorization: In the event that the above named student requires medical attention due to an accident or injury which may occur with horse/pony related activities at *High Tail Acres, LLC*, the owners, staff, instructor, trainer, assistant, etc. are given full authority to engage in necessary emergency medical services for the above named student.

Insurance Co: _____ Group Number: _____

Doctor: _____ Tel #: _____

Dentist: _____ Tel #: _____

Drug Allergies: _____ Date of Tetanus: _____

I/We have read this application and fully understand and agree to the contents of this document, the Lesson Program Information page.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

LESSON PROGRAM INFORMATION

High Tail Acres, LLC offers private, semi-private and group lessons for beginner, intermediate, advanced, from academy to show horse, for performance and pleasure. The lesson program at *High Tail Acres, LLC* is individualized to each student, taking into consideration the student's age, ability, previous experience and maturity. The staff at *High Tail Acres, LLC* stresses the importance of safety and every precaution is taken to provide the student with a positive learning experience. The Sport of Riding requires a commitment, therefore lessons are scheduled on a weekly basis for everyone and more frequently for students in our show and academy programs. Our instructors have received numerous professional awards, including UPHA 14 Trainers of the Year and are MA licensed each with over 20 years teaching experience. Students in our lesson program have gone on to receive world and national titles, including our apprentice instructor.

LESSON OPTIONS:

- Semi-private Beginner lessons (approximately 30 minutes of riding time). Beginner students are started in semi-private lessons with only beginners in the ring. Beginner lessons will have 2 students/horses in the ring at the same time, with leaders and spotters as needed. Our leaders and spotters are experienced students in our program.
- Semi-private lessons (approximately 30 minutes riding time) allow for instruction with 2 students per instructor in the ring. Semi-private lessons are offered for our intermediate and advanced level students where we will strategically schedule lessons by level of rider's ability and horse availability
- Private lessons (approximately 30 minutes riding time) offer that one on one instruction that allows for the growth and attainment of skills as well as the fine tuning of skills for our students in our show and academy programs.
- Group Lessons (45 minutes of riding time) teach advance ringmanship and strategy skills, while offering the opportunity for students to watch and learn from each other and also create new friendships with other horse lovers in the barn. Group lessons are by invitation only and are reserved for students in our academy and show programs.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED:

Students are required to wear ASTM/SEI certified protective headgear. Hard-soled shoes or boots (not cowboy boots) with at least, but not more than, a ½ inch heel are required footwear. Students should wear long pants to prevent chafing. For the student's initial lessons, High Tail Acres has available helmets and boots for student use.

Upon completion of a student's 2nd lesson package, we require the student to purchase their own helmet, boots, jodhpurs and gloves. The staff at *High Tail Acres, LLC* will assist you in ordering and or providing a location from where you can purchase the correct riding apparel and equipment.

FEES AND PAYMENT

Private/Semi-Private Lessons (approximately 30 minutes of riding time)

Group Lessons (approximately 45 minutes of riding time)

Lesson Packages:

- 1 lesson - \$60.00 to be paid prior to your lesson
- 4 Lessons - \$240.00 ~ \$5.00 credit applied to your lesson account when paid for in advance
- 8 Lessons - \$480.00 ~ \$15.00 credit applied to your lesson account when paid for in advance
- 20 Lessons - \$1,200.00 ~ \$50.00 credit applied to your lesson account when paid for in advance

Please make checks payable to: **High Tail Acres, LLC**. There is a \$25.00 fee for checks returned for insufficient funds. We also accept payment by VENMO: search @hightailacres OR dawndeltorchio **There are no refunds.**

CANCELLATION POLICY: A 24 hour notice is required for a lesson cancellation. If notice is not received the lesson will be charged to the student's account. If after 3 times you fail to notify *High Tail Acres, LLC* of a lesson cancellation, you will automatically forfeit your permanent lesson time slot. There are no refunds. We understand that emergencies do arise and we will work with you to reschedule your lesson under those circumstances. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding. Lessons will be cancelled by *High Tail Acres, LLC* in the case of extreme weather, (i.e. cold weather or extreme heat) and the student will be notified. You will not be charged for a lesson cancelled by *High Tail Acres, LLC*.

TO CANCEL: PLEASE CALL THE BARN @ 978-465-4142, EMAIL, TEXT OR PM YOUR INSTRUCTOR

TARDINESS: Being late to a lesson will result in the student receiving less time riding.

CONDUCT: Supervision of children at *High Tail Acres, LLC* is the responsibility of the parent/guardian. The instructor will supervise your child only during the scheduled lesson time. Any vandalism or disturbances caused by a student or anyone accompanying a student, while on the premises of *High Tail Acres, LLC* may result in immediate termination of any agreements and the student and/or parent/guardian will be held liable for any and all damages incurred.

REMINDER: *High Tail Acres, LLC* is a professional training and boarding stable. Please be mindful that the show horses are athletes. Please do not feed them or disturb them. Also, please do not feed or disturb boarder's horses. Please do not feed or pet horses that are in the paddocks. We cannot assume liability for possible injury.

Please read and understand this document and return the signed, completed application form. The signed application form is verification that you have read and agree to the items here within. We look forward to sharing a rewarding and enjoyable experience with you at *High Tail Acres, LLC*.