



FarmHill Equestrian Center, LLC

23118 Northeast 37th Avenue, Ridgefield, WA 98642

BARN RULES

Welcome to FarmHill Equestrian Center, LLC! The following are the rules that we have established to ensure the safety and happiness of your horses, yourselves, and your fellow members of the FEC community.

- ◆ FarmHill Equestrian Center, LLC is a private *non-smoking* facility. *Smoking is not permitted anywhere, at any time, on FEC property.*
- ◆ *ASTM certified helmets are required for all riders at FEC – every ride, every time.* Full length boots or paddock boots are also required for all riders at FEC. Riding in soft-soled shoes is not permitted at any time.
- ◆ *Children 16 and under must have adult supervision at all times.* All riders 18 and under are required to wear ASTM certified helmets when mounted, and have instructor supervision when jumping.
- ◆ *All dogs at FEC must be restrained or contained at all times!* If the dog's owner is riding, the dog must be restrained or contained such that it does not interfere with the safety and/or functioning of the barn. Dogs who disrupt lessons with barking, or other failures of restraint or containment will, in cases of repeat interference, be prohibited from being brought to the barn. Any owner whose dog is not appropriately restrained or contained will be given two notes of noncompliance with this policy. On the third incident of noncompliance, the owner will be asked to move from FarmHill. It is hoped that the severity of this policy will be understood as an indication of the FEC owners' dedication to the safety and comfort of all members of the FEC community.
- ◆ Similarly, *all horses at FEC must be restrained or contained at all times.* Any owner whose horse is found unrestrained or uncontained on FEC property, as a result of the owner's actions, will similarly be given two notes of noncompliance, and then will be asked to move from FarmHill on the third violation. Once again, it is hoped that the severity of this policy will be understood as an indication of the FEC owners' dedication to the safety and comfort of all members of the FEC community.
- ◆ Please let Barbara, Harriet, and/or Miguel know about changes in your horse's feeding schedule, so the feeders can be alerted to the change and it can be marked on your stall chart. No feed changes will occur unless they are marked on your horse's stall chart, which serves as our only way to insure that each horse at FEC is being fed exactly what you have directed that s/he be fed.

- ◆ Each horse should have a halter and lead rope on his/her door or pasture gate. Please provide a good all-weather blanket for winter and a light weight all-weather sheet for transitional seasons of spring and fall. Also, please provide a fly mask for fly season, and turnout boots in good condition if your horse needs them.
- ◆ When grooming, please use the grooming racks or your stall (*not the barn aisle*). In addition, please clean up after each use. During shedding season or body clipping, please dump horse hair in the trash cans and *not* in the muck buckets, or it will foul our composting system. Please pick up all manure and put it in a muck bucket; do *not* wash it down the drain.
- ◆ Each owner is responsible for their own equipment. Please label your equipment clearly and keep your tack locker locked when not in use.
- ◆ Lunging is allowed *only* in the round pen, or in the back dressage arena when it is not being used by riders. Lunging is not permitted on any organic footing arenas, except for purposes of veterinary evaluation or as part of a lesson. Horses are never allowed to be turned loose in any riding arena.
- ◆ Riding in the barn aisle is extremely dangerous and therefore prohibited.
- ◆ When riding in the FEC arenas, please remember to always pass left shoulder to left shoulder, and give lesson students the right-of-way as much as possible.
- ◆ Please pick up after yourself in the common areas – tack lockers, grooming racks, wash racks, and restrooms. (Please note that there are separate restrooms for women and men. The women’s restroom is located across from the office. The men’s restroom is located outside the main barn on the east wall, between stalls B1 and A7.)
- ◆ Because FEC is also home to our staff and the occupants of the FEC house, please respect their privacy and do not use the area around the house or by the pond for grazing or riding. Similarly, please remember that we currently enjoy good relations with our FEC neighbors, so do not ride through our neighbors’ properties unless you have spoken with Barbara, Harriet, or the property owner. If you wish to ride with your dog, please remember that you must lead your dog and horse to the FEC property line before you unleash your dog and mount your horse. Also, you must use whatever means are necessary to ensure that your dog is under your control, even when you are mounted. All it will take is one neighbor’s mangled dog or cat to ruin the neighborhood good will for everyone at FEC!

I have read the rules above and I hereby consent to abide by all of these rules as a condition of boarding, riding, visiting, and/or residing at FarmHill Equestrian Center, LLC.

Signature

Date

Name (Print)

Horse’s Name