



Hope Springs Equestrian Therapy, Inc.  
P. O. Box 156, Chester Springs, PA 19425  
(610) 827-0931 www.hope-springs.org

## LESSON AGREEMENT

NAME OF RIDER: \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTH DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENTS/GUARDIAN: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ TOWNSHIP: \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, PLEASE CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF INSURANCE COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF INSURED: \_\_\_\_\_

***(NOTE: RIDERS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED FOR LESSONS UNLESS THEY CARRY APPROPRIATE MEDICAL INSURANCE.)***

**LESSONS:** Each therapeutic horseback riding lesson will be approximately one hour long and includes time before and after riding to allow Rider to participate in grooming and saddling his or her horse or pony. Lessons are structured as follows: 15 minutes to groom and saddle the horse, 30 minutes riding, 15 minutes removing tack and preparing the horse to return to paddock or stall.

**PAYMENT POLICY:** The cost of a one-hour therapeutic riding lesson is \$65. Payment for the lesson is expected at the time of service. If lessons are paid for in advance, Hope Springs will deduct fees from the pre-paid amount as lesson costs are incurred. Checks for lesson fees should be made payable to Hope Springs Equestrian Therapy, Inc.

**CANCELLATIONS/RESCHEDULING:** In the event that a Rider must cancel a lesson, he or she agrees to give Hope Springs at least 24 hours prior notice. If a Rider misses a lesson without giving Hope Springs 24 hours notice, the cost of that lesson will be forfeited by the rider. Inconsistency with lessons jeopardizes the continuity and progress of the student. If a Rider misses two consecutive lessons without prior notice, the Rider will be dropped from the schedule.

Rider/Parent/Guardian must also acknowledge and consent to the HSET Policy Statements, copies of which are either provided herewith or available upon request.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Rider **OR** his or her Parent or Guardian  
(If under 18, must be signed by both parents or guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Signed

*(Revised: January 2017)*



**Hope Springs Equestrian Therapy, Inc.  
and Peace by Piece Farm**

**INDEMNITY AND CONSENT TO PUBLICITY AND POLICY**

NAME OF RIDER : \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN : \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ TOWNSHIP: \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL: \_\_\_\_\_

**RELEASE AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS:**

I, for myself and as guardian or other authorized representative of my child/children or other dependent(s), hereby release Hope Springs Equestrian Therapy, Inc. (HSET), and its owners, officers, directors, employees and agents, and Mr. & Mrs. Roy Sturgeon – Peace by Piece Farm (land owner), from any and all claims, demands, liabilities and/or damages, known or unknown, arising from or relating to my involvement, or the involvement of my child/children or other dependent(s), in equine and/or other HSET activities, and waive any claims respecting same. I understand that equine activities include, but are not limited to, horse care, training, teaching, riding instruction, therapeutic riding, shows, fairs, parades, competitions or performances which involve horses. I am aware and understand that horses are unpredictable in nature and for myself, and my child/children and other dependent(s), I knowingly and voluntarily assume all risks and dangers involved in equine and other HSET activities, accepting personal responsibility for all possible injury, permanent disability or death to me and/or my child/children and other dependent(s).

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT, BOTH PARENTS OR GUARDIAN (If under 18, must be signed by parents or guardian)

**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSENT TO PUBLICITY:**

I HEREBY (CHECK ONE): **DO NOT** Authorize \_\_\_\_\_; Authorize \_\_\_\_\_

Hope Springs Equestrian Therapy, Inc. to use and copy, without fee, any and all audio and/ or visual material taken of me/my child/ children/other dependent(s) respecting HSET activities and/or events for HSET's promotional materials, which may include but is not necessarily limited to HSET's brochures, press releases, newsletters, exhibits and website postings. I understand that persons viewing such materials may understand that I or my child/children/dependent(s) are involved with therapeutic, and potentially medically related, activities. I agree that the use of such materials shall not breach any confidences and I waive any claims respecting same.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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**CONSENT TO POLICY:** Participant/Parent(s)/Guardian also acknowledge and consent to the HSET Policy Statements, copies of which are either provided herewith or available upon request.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT, BOTH PARENTS OR GUARDIAN (If under 18, must be signed by parents or guardian)

**HOPE SPRINGS EQUESTRIAN THERAPY, INC.**

APPROVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Jeannie Knowlton, Executive Director



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**LESSON TIME/LATE ARRIVAL:** Lesson times are planned and scheduled each week for the convenience of the student/family. If Rider arrives late, lesson will still end at regular time. If Rider arrives 15 minutes late, the student will not ride, but have a barn lesson that day. The fee for the lesson will remain the same.

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**RIDER SAFETY/CONDUCT:** If a Rider's behavior is unacceptable or unsafe, the lesson may be shortened or ended at the discretion of the instructor. Unacceptable or unsafe behavior includes, but is not limited to, disruption of the lesson, sexual comments or conduct, disrespect to instructor, other Riders, any person on HSET property, volunteers, horses or barn cats, etc. This also includes verbal disrespect and physical abuse to self, instructor, other Riders, any person on HSET property, volunteers, horses or barn cats.

Students/Prospective Students shall notify HSET of any history of any condition, behavior, medication, etc. that could affect the safety of the Rider, instructors, volunteers, fellow Riders, any person on HSET property, horses or barn cats. HSET reserves the right to deny services to any individual based upon concerns for safety.

Any change in a Rider's condition, behavior or medication that makes him or her inappropriate for HSET's programs will warrant discontinuation of services at the discretion of HSET's Executive Director.

**RIDER WEIGHT LIMITS:** Maximum weights are 200 pounds for a well balanced centered Rider and 180 pounds for an unbalanced Rider needing sidewalker assistance. Executive Director reserves the right to deviate from these weight limits when safety is a concern.

## SMOKING IS NOT ALLOWED ANYWHERE ON THE PREMISES

### “WARNING”

**Under Pennsylvania's law, “You assume the risk of equine activities pursuant to Pennsylvania law.” We are in accordance with Pennsylvania Equine Activity Immunity Act, Act 93 of 2005.**

*(Revised: February 2019)*