

Horseshoe Stables 4-H Lease Agreement

4-H member name: _____

Horse name: _____

Horse description: _____

Tack & Equipment description: _____

Term:

The term of the lease is _____, 2011 to August 1, 2012

Cost:

Cost of the lease is either \$280 per month, payable at the beginning of each month, or as weekly installments of \$70 each. Included in this cost are 4 private or semi-private lessons, and unlimited access to group lessons, quadrille, western drill team, etc.

Rights of the lessee:

The 4-H lease gives the Lessee the right to ride the named horse 6 days per week (Tuesday through Sunday, Monday being the horses' day off). One of those days will be a lesson. The remaining days will be supervised free-riding, with the ride time not to exceed 45 minutes total. **Lessee may Not ride alone;** for members who are in their first year of leasing a horse, an adult **staff member** of Horseshoe Stables must be present on property at all times when the lessee is mounted. To that end, **1st year lessee's must ride at scheduled times** in the afternoon/evening on weekdays, and either morning or evening on Weekends, and may not deviate from their scheduled time without 24 hr notice to the instructor responsible for their lease. For all other lessees, any adult must be present on HSS property while the lessee is riding.

The lease also gives the lessee the right to use all tack associated with the leased horse. Tack and equipment may Not be removed from the Horseshoe stables Property without permission from the owner (ie taking a saddle home to clean it). Lessee may also use her/his own tack/equipment, provided it fits and is suitable for the horse.

Should the horse become ill or otherwise unable to work for a short period, a substitute horse (if available) may be provided for the lessee to use until such time as the lease horse is well. If the horse becomes chronically unable to work, the lease will be terminated, and no further costs will be assessed.

It is the responsibility of the horse owner to provide veterinary and farrier care for the horse, except in the case of negligence or abuse on the part of Lessee (ie. Horse becomes injured while lessee is riding unsupervised, or engaging in activities that have not been covered in lessons).

Responsibilities of the lessee:

The 4-H lease is designed for you to experience horse ownership, without the full financial burden. To this end, the lessee is required to care for her/his horse on the lease days. This care includes, but is not limited to: cleaning the stall and buckets, preparing the feed, cleaning the horse's tack and equipment, cleaning the water tub in the horse's pasture, grooming/bathing the horse, blanketing/unblanketing the horse, holding the horse for the farrier (when appropriate), etc. If you (or a qualified family member or other 4-H member) are unable to care for your lease horse on any given day, **you will be charged \$2 per day** for horse care. You **MUST** notify the instructor responsible for your lease by 2 PM each day that you will not be present. Failure to care for your lease horse, and failure to notify your instructor (no call/no show) will result in a warning and you will be charged for horse care; after 3 warnings your lease may be terminated.

It is also your responsibility to correctly warm-up, and cool down your horse, and to work him within his level of fitness, and training. You must not attempt to do things during your free-ride that you have not yet covered in lessons.

Early termination:

This lease may be terminated early by either party, provided the request is made, in writing, with 30 days notice. If either party breaches the agreement (ie. Lessee fails to care for horse on lease days, fails to pay monthly/weekly fee; lessor fails to allow use of tack and equipment, fails to allow access to the horse for riding days) the agreement may be terminated immediately, provided notice is given, in writing, stating the breach of agreement.

Parent signature _____

Parent name printed _____

Parent Contact info _____

Horse owner/agent _____

Horse owner/agent printed name _____

