

## Barn Rules

### ? Safety First!

1. All riders must wear an ASTM F-1163-01/SEI certified riding helmet, properly fitted and secured while mounted.
2. Riders should be dressed appropriately for safe riding. This includes all riders: boarders, lesson students and guests. Long pants and heeled riding boots are necessary for safety. Riders may not mount if they do not have safe footwear. A heeled boot may prevent the foot from slipping through the stirrup, which could be tragic if the rider should fall and be dragged.
3. Riding guests must sign a waiver form upon arrival to the farm. If the guest rider is a minor, that child's parent or legal guardian must sign the liability acknowledgement and waiver form. The forms are located next to the message boards in both the North and South Barns. (If you are planning to bring a minor guest and wish to have the child's parent sign the waiver ahead of time, the form is available in .PDF format on our website. Go to [www.campbellspringsfarm.com](http://www.campbellspringsfarm.com) and click on the "Forms" tab.) The completed forms may be dropped in the lock box of either barn.
4. Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent or other responsible adult at all times. Children may not be "dropped off" at the barn, as we are not equipped to supervise children while we are working. An adult must be present and accountable for each student and rider.
5. Please look after small children, as the barn can be a dangerous place. Encourage kids to behave calmly around horses. Running in the barn yard, screaming, and throwing objects is not permitted around the horses. If a horse should become suddenly frightened it could easily injure itself, the rider, or anyone else in the area.
6. Never tie a horse to the fence boards or gates. As Bob Steeves often said... "Remember the "Five P's": *Proper Preparation Prevents Poor Performance*". Plan ahead to prevent spooky situations for your horse. A horse can easily pull back and break an oak board or bend a gate off the hinges causing a dangerous flight response.
7. Horses may be led by a lead rope clipped to a fastened halter only. No loose ropes about the neck, or unfastened halters. Horses may never run freely through the barnyard to their stalls. In all open and general use areas, the horse must be under your ***direct control***.
8. Please be certain to pick up your trash, your children's trash or any other trash you see lying around. Let's keep our farm a beautiful place.
9. We love dogs! However, we have a "**No Dog**" policy at the Campbell Springs Farm Equestrian Complex. We operate a breeding kennel as well, and proudly produce a number of smart, talented and beautiful Redbone Coonhound puppies each year. Our pups are shipped all over the country

and the world. We are unable to allow visiting dogs on the farm in order to protect our hounds (gestating dams, newborns, etc) from possible outside illness. If you get a chance and are interested... please check out our kennel website at [www.timberchopper.com](http://www.timberchopper.com). Our kennel is not open to the public. Thank you.

10. Presently, smoking is still permitted at CSF, but in designated areas ONLY. Smoking is never allowed in or near the barns or the hay / shavings storage buildings. Smoking is not allowed while mounted, or while handling a horse. Smokers should pick up all cigarette butts and dispose of them in a trash can. It is the cigarette butts littering the property that is most offensive, as they are not biodegradable.
11. Fishing is permitted in the *Campbell's Pond*. Catfish, brim, and bass are plentiful. We allow the larger fish to be taken, however we ask that you release the smaller fishes. Please be certain to pick up all line and hooks, and leave no trash. Also, please do not drive across the dam...we ask that you park near the hay barn, and walk to the water. Do not arrive before daylight, or stay after dusk. Thanks!
12. The farm is not open to foot traffic at this time. Please do not walk into the hay barns, shop, kennels or pastures. This is a *private working farm*, and although we are glad you are here, all areas of the farm are not safe for you to be in. Certain areas are designated for your use, others are not. Please respect the limits we must place for your safety as well as for the well being of all our animals, and the farm business.

#### ? Boarders & Lesson Students

1. In general, schooling over fences is permitted only under the direct supervision of an instructor; however, when the rider achieves a level of skill where their instructor will submit a written recommendation to the CSF office, then the minor rider may school over fences with the direct supervision of their parent or legal guardian. Adult riders that wish to school over fences independently may do so with *written recommendation in their file* from a CSF instructor who has conducted a skill evaluation on the rider.
2. Boarders and Lesson Students are responsible for any damage caused by themselves, their children, their guests or horses.
3. The lights in the riding ring are intended for use only when riding while it is dark. Do not use the ring lights to aid the general lighting of the barn yard. Use the floodlights on the barns and stall lights for those purposes.
4. Ring lights may not be on before 7:00 am, and must be turned off by 9:00 pm. This applies to all lighting at the North and South barns.
5. Horse trailers belonging to CSF boarders may be parked in the designated area near the North Barn. Horse trailers must be returned to the trailer parking area the day the trailer returns to the farm.

6. Please pick up any manure piles left by your horses in the roadways, barnyards, or other general use areas.
7. Only manure and bedding is to be placed in the manure pile (no trash or baling twine). We use the composted manure and shaving on our fields as fertilizer, and trash can damage the farm equipment.
8. If you are the last to leave the barn at any time of the day, it is your responsibility to close the gates, turn all the lights off, lock the tack rooms, close the feed room door, and put the chains up.
9. In cold weather, the hoses must be drained after use. Frozen hoses create a big problem for the Barn Team at feeding time. If you are not sure how to drain the hose, please ask a Barn Team member for a demonstration. A small amount of effort on your part can save a huge burden on the Barn Team when they have to try to thaw hoses in freezing temperatures.
10. Please report destructive horse behavior as soon as you notice it. For instance, if you notice a horse chewing bark off trees in the pastures, or chewing the fences, please let us know so that we can protect both the horse and the property.
11. Horses that crib must wear a cribbing collar. We prefer the humane "Miracle Collar".
12. If you groom your horse on the mats in a cross-tie area of the North or South Barn, please be sure to sweep the area afterwards.

? **Riding**

1. Access from the South Barn to the trails is by the path behind the riding rings; please do not use the driveway. Maximum pace is a *walk* from the barns until you reach the power line.
2. Do not ride horses in the Campbell's yard.
3. Please do not ride through any hay fields or crop fields.
4. All horses and riders must be back to the barn before dusk.
5. No one should be riding outside of the riding rings after dark. Rule of thumb: If the lights need to be on to see in the barn or in the ring, or if you see lights on in the house, it is too dark for you to be outside of the immediate barn area.
6. Be aware of hunting season, as we do have hunters on our land at different times during the year. Check with the barn office for a map of safe areas to trail ride. Trail riding is allowed only on Sunday during gun season for deer. Gun season for deer starts the first Saturday in November, and finishes the first Saturday in January.

7. We encourage trail riders to carry a cell phone, and to never trail ride alone. It is best if someone back at the barn knows when to expect your group to return as well. You can leave this information on the message boards in either the North or South barns.

? **Barn**

1. No alterations may be made to the barn or stalls. This includes signs, hooks, racks, pictures, etc.
2. Please keep the inside and outside of your stalls neat and tidy.
3. Farm Hours are 7:00 AM until 9:00 PM. **ALL lights out by 9:00 P.M.**

? **Lessons**

1. Please be on time for your riding lessons. Being late to your lesson causes an inconvenience to your fellow riders and instructor who need to maintain a punctual schedule.
2. If you need to cancel your lesson, please be courteous and contact your instructor 24 hours in advance.
3. Try to ride in another ring if a lesson is going on. If you happen to be in a riding ring at the same time as another rider who is taking a lesson, you must yield to that rider. For everyone's safety, riding rings are closed while group lessons are in session.
4. Please sign-up in the Lesson Log Book prior to your lesson. The book is located on the kitchen counter in the Meeting Room for lessons at the South Barn, and next to the schooling tack room in the North Barn.

*“Our goal is for you to have an excellent equine experience. Your safety and satisfaction are our first priority. Thank you for your business.”*

*Sara & Wayne*

By my signature I certify that I understand and agree to abide by these CSF Barn Rules:

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Boarder's Signature

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Date

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Primary rider, if other than Boarder

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Date