

2012 Open Riding Sessions at the Iowa Equestrian Center

Rules and Regulations

Introduction:

The Iowa Equestrian Center is offering indoor arena riding to the general public on February 4th and 5th in 2012. The sessions will be held hourly from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Each rider will be charged \$10 per riding session, and there will be a maximum number of 20 riders in the arena during a session. Each riding session will last 50 minutes.

Reservations:

A rider may participate in a riding session only if they have a reservation. Reservations may be made by calling the IEC at (319)398-7107 or by e-mailing equestrian.center@kirkwood.edu IEC staff asks that riders call as soon as possible in the case of a rider needing to cancel their reservation.

Stall Barn:

Riders will have the opportunity to tie their horse to a designated area in the IEC stall barn.

Neither riders, nor their horses, may enter any stalls and IEC reserves the right to discontinue taking reservations from any riders that do not follow this rule.

All riders will be given access to the Stall Barn 45 minutes prior to the start of their riding session. At that time, all riders are required to enter the Stall Barn from the door assigned to them at the time of their reservation.

Riders are asked to clean up after themselves and their horses. Trash may be disposed into trash cans which are located at both ends and center isles of the stall barn. Manure must be disposed in the designated area outside and may not be disposed into trash cans. The IEC will provide a wheel barrow and shovels for the disposal of any manure.

As per Iowa State law, tobacco and alcohol use is prohibited in stall barn, arena, and IEC parking lot.

Arena:

Riders will be allowed to ride in both the warm-up arena and the show arena during their 50 minute session. Those participating in riding sessions will be allowed access to the Stall Barn 45 minutes prior to

the start of their session, and prior to entering the arena, the \$10 fee will be collected from each rider. The preferred form of payment is by check or money order, but cash will be accepted (for correct change only). Each rider must sign a liability waiver, and is strongly encouraged to wear a helmet and agrees to abide by the Iowa Animal Law, which reads:

“Under Iowa Law, a domesticated animal is not liable for damages suffered by, an injury to, or the death of a participant resulting from the inherent risks of domesticated animal activities, pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 673. You are assuming inherent risks of participating in this domesticated animal activity.”

All riders under the age of 18 must wear an ATMS/SEI approved helmet.

Riders are not allowed to take part in any lessons or clinics.

Riders are not allowed to lunge their horses in the show arena. Lunging will be allowed in the warm-up arena only. The maximum number of horses that can be lunged at one time is four.

Riders are not allowed to bring in or utilize any arena equipment such as poles or jumps.

Riders must act responsibly and courteously toward other riders at all times. Each session will be monitored by IEC staff that will make sure the session remains safe and fun for all participants.

Riders are encouraged to complete their ride time, but early departure is permitted. However, anyone leaving the area early will not be allowed to re-enter if they exit the arena before the ride is finished.

Riders will be asked to exit the arena at the end of their session. Riders may re-enter the stall barn at this time to tie, remove tack and prepare their horse for trailering.

Any violation of these rules and regulations may result in immediate removal from the riding session, and may be cause not to accept reservations from the offender in the future.

Cancellations:

In the case of cancelled session (due to inclement weather or other factors), all reservations for that session will be cancelled.

Riders from any cancelled session must make a new reservation for the next session they would like to participate in by calling or emailing the week prior.

If a riding session needs to be cancelled, it will be posted on the IEC website: www.iowaquestrian.com. All riders are encouraged to check the website or call 319-398-7107 to ensure the riding session is being held.