

Name of Party: _____
 # in Party _____
 Location of Ride: _____
 DATE of Ride: _____
 Guide Name(s): _____

**HORSE RENTAL, EQUESTRIAN, GUIDE & OUTFITTER SERVICES AGREEMENT,
 WARNING FORM AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT [FOR INDIVIDUALS]**

ADMIN INFO

USFS APPROVED GUIDED TRAIL RIDE RELEASE

VS Equine, LLC and Iron Horse, LLC

STABLE / OPERATOR NAME, hereinafter known as "THIS STABLE".

138 Big Canyon Drive, Mt. Shasta, California 96067

Location or Address of THIS STABLE

READ CAREFULLY AND COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS BEFORE SIGNING

A. **REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANT AND AGREEMENT PURPOSE** I, the following listed individual, and the parents or legal guardians thereof if a minor, do hereby voluntarily agree to participate in horse rental services and / or equestrian services and / or guide and outfitter services provided by THIS STABLE.

PARTICIPANT NAME and EMAIL (Please Print CLEARLY)	AGE (If under 18)	WEIGHT Over 240#?	HORSE RIDING EXPERIENCE (Check one that applies)
1. Name:	3. Age _____	5. _____ YES _____ NO	6. _____ BEGINNER (under 10 hours) _____ OVER 10 HOURS
2. Email:	4. Date of Birth _____		
7. Does participant have any physical or mental condition(s) that may affect his / her safety and ability to ride a horse? YES NO (circle one)			
8. If you circled "YES", how can we help this participant with his / her special needs?			
9. MEDICAL INSURANCE I / WE AGREE THAT: Should medical treatment be required, I and / or my medical insurance shall pay for ALL such incurred expenses. My medical insurance company is _____ (Optional)--My policy number is _____ <input type="checkbox"/> I do not carry medical insurance.			

Where did you hear about us? _____ Have you visited us before? _____
 May we add you to our newsletter mailing list to hear about future events and specials? Yes No
 (You may easily unsubscribe anytime)

Initial in the left margin after reading each section. Parents and guardians must also initial.

B. **AGREEMENT SCOPE AND TERRITORY AND DEFINITIONS** This agreement shall be legally binding upon me the registered participant, and the parents or legal guardians thereof if a minor, my heirs, estate, assigns, including all minor children, and personal representatives; and it shall be interpreted according to the laws of the state and county of THIS STABLE'S physical location. This agreement is intended to be valid and binding at all times now and in the future when THIS STABLE permits me (directly or indirectly) to enter THIS STABLE'S property, be on THIS STABLE'S property, be near any horse, receive instruction or guidance from its associates and / or when I ride and / or am near horses on or off of THIS STABLE'S property. Any disputes by the participant shall be litigated in, and venue shall be the county in which THIS STABLE is physically located. This agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as the law permits. If any clause, phrase, or word is in conflict with state law, then that single part is null and void. The terms "HORSE" and "EQUINE" herein shall refer to all equine species. The terms "I", "WE", "ME", "MY" shall herein refer to the above registered participant and the parents or legal guardians thereof if a minor.

C. **INHERENT RISKS / ASSUMPTION OF RISKS** I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT: Horseback riding is classified as RUGGED ADVENTURE RECREATIONAL SPORT ACTIVITY and that risks, conditions, and dangers are inherent in (meaning an integral part of) horse / equine / animal activities, regardless of all feasible safety measures which can be taken, and I agree to assume them. The inherent risks include, but are not limited to any of the following: The propensity of an animal to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, death, or loss to persons on or around the animal; The unpredictability of an equine's reaction to sounds, sudden movement, unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals; Hazards, including, but not limited to, surface or subsurface conditions; A collision, encounter and / or confrontation with another equine, another animal, a person, or an object; The potential of an equine activity participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury, harm, death, or loss to the participant or to other persons, including but not limited to, failing to maintain control over an equine and / or failing to act within the ability of the participant. Horses are 5 to 15 times larger, 20 to 40 times more powerful, and 3 to 4 times faster than a human. If a rider falls from horse to ground it will generally be at a distance of from 3 1/2 to 5 1/2 feet, and the impact may result in harm to the rider. Horseback riding is an activity in which one much smaller, weaker predator animal (the human) tries to impose its will on, and become one unit of movement with, another much larger, stronger prey animal that has a mind of its own (the horse) and each has a limited understanding of the other. If a horse is frightened or provoked it may divert from its training and act according to its natural survival instincts which may include, but are not limited to: Stopping short; Spinning around; Changing directions and / or speed at will; Shifting its weight; Bucking; Rearing; Kicking; Biting; and / or Running from danger. I also acknowledge that these are just some of the risks and I agree to assume others not mentioned above. I am not relying on THIS STABLE to list all possible risks for me.

D. **WILDERNESS EXPERIENCE PARTICIPATION, CONDITIONS OF NATURE WARNING, UNFAMILIAR AND SUDDEN SIGHTS, SOUNDS AND MOVEMENTS WARNING, AND INSPECTION OF PREMISES** I / WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT: The participant may be taking part in a "WILDERNESS EXPERIENCE" that may be hazardous to people. I / WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT The meaning of "WILDERNESS EXPERIENCE" is defined as the pursuit of activity in a natural and / or wild and / or rugged and / or uncultivated area or region, as of forest and / or hills and / or mountains and / or plains and / or wetlands, which would likely be uninhabited by people and inhabited by wild animals of many types and species to include, but not limited to, mammals, reptiles, and insects, which are not tame, may be savage and unpredictable in nature and also wandering at their will. I / WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT: THIS STABLE is NOT responsible for total or partial acts, occurrences, or elements of nature and / or sudden and / or unfamiliar sights, sounds and / or sudden movements that can scare a horse, cause it to fall, or react in some other unsafe way. SOME EXAMPLES ARE: Thunder, lightning, rain, wind, wild and domestic animals, insects, reptiles, which may walk, run, or fly near, or bite or sting a horse or person; and irregular footing on out-of-door groomed or wild land which is subject to constant change in condition according to weather, temperature, and natural and man-made changes in landscape. I also acknowledge that these are just some of the risks and I agree to assume others not mentioned above. I am not relying on THIS STABLE to list all possible conditions for me. The participant and parent or legal guardian have inspected THIS STABLE'S facilities and are satisfied that all premise conditions are reasonably safe for this participant's intended purpose, usage and presence upon THIS STABLE'S premises.

- E. **CARRY-ON OBJECTS WARNING AND SHARP, LOUD NOISES WARNING I / WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT:** When approaching, mounting and riding horses, I must not carry loose items that may fall or blow away or flap in the wind or bounce or make sharp or loud noises, the action of which may scare horses causing them to react in unsafe ways. **SOME EXAMPLES ARE:** Cameras, cell phones, hats not securely fastened under chin, toys, purses. When near or riding a horse, participants must not make sharp or loud noises, such as whistling or screaming or yelling, the sound of which may scare horses causing them to react in unsafe ways.
- F. **SADDLE GIRTH LOOSENING WARNING I / WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT:** Saddle girths (fastener straps around the horse's belly) may loosen during riding. Riders must alert the nearest attendant of any girth looseness so action can be taken to avoid saddle slippage and the potential for the rider to fall from the horse.
- G. **PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR / HELMET WARNING AND OFFERING: I / WE AGREE THAT:** I for myself and on behalf of my child and / or legal ward have been fully warned and advised by THIS STABLE that protective headgear / helmet, which meets or exceeds the quality standards of the SEI CERTIFIED ASTM STANDARD F 1163 Equestrian Helmet, should be worn while riding, handling, and / or being near horses, and I understand that the wearing of such headgear / helmet at these times may reduce severity of some of the wearer's head injuries and possibly prevent the wearer's death from happening as the result of a fall and other occurrences. **I / WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT:** THIS STABLE has offered me, and my child and / or legal ward if applicable, protective headgear / helmet that meets or exceeds the quality standards of the SEI CERTIFIED ASTM STANDARD F 1163 Equestrian Helmet. **I / WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT:** Protective headgear/helmet provided by THIS STABLE may not be of perfect fit for the participants' head, and that once provided I/WE will be responsible for securing the headgear/helmet on the participants head at all times. **I am not relying on THIS STABLE and / or its associates to check any headgear / helmet or headgear / helmet strap that I may wear, or to monitor my compliance with this suggestion at any time now or in the future.**

H. PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR/HELMET POLICY

THIS STABLE'S PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR/HELMET POLICY:

I understand and agree that THIS STABLE requires that all riders must wear ASTM Standard F 1163 Protective Headgear/Helmets.

- I. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK -- I/WE AGREE THAT:** Knowing the risks and dangers, I (we) understand the possible consequences of participating in such activity are, but not inclusive of, economic and non-economic losses due to bodily injury and / or death and / or property damage, sustained by me and / or my minor child or legal ward in relation to the premises and operations of THIS STABLE, while riding, handling, or otherwise being near horses owned by me or owned by THIS STABLE, or in the care, custody or control of THIS STABLE, whether on or off the premises of THIS STABLE, but not limited to being on THIS STABLE'S premises. I (we) certify that I (we) have the necessary skills and ability to participate in the said activity and assume full responsibility for myself (ourselves) for bodily injury, death and loss of personal property and expenses thereof as a result of my (our) negligence in participating in the said activity except to the extent such damage or injury may be due to the negligence of (operator). I (we) also agree to abide by the rules or instructions given to (us) either verbally or in writing by the (operator). I (we) further understand that (operator) reserves the right to refuse to allow any person to participate who is judged to be incapable of meeting the rigors and requirements of participating in the said activity. I (we) have read, understood, and accepted the terms and conditions stated herein and acknowledge that this agreement shall be effective and binding upon me (us) during the entire period of participation in the said activity.
- J. **MEDIA RELEASE - I/WE AGREE THAT:** By signing this form, you grant VS Equine, LLC, Iron Horse Unlimited, LLC, and legal representatives of both, the right to use and publish photographs and/or video of or including you and/or your child in brochures, newsletters, web sites, Facebook, slideshows and/or other advertising medium. Photos and video will not be sold commercially.

Each Participant and Parents or Legal Guardians must sign below after reading and completing this entire document.

SIGNER STATEMENT OF AWARENESS

I / WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, REPRESENT THAT I / WE HAVE READ AND DO UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING AGREEMENT AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT. I / WE ATTEST THAT ALL FACTS ARE TRUE AND ACCURATE. I AM SIGNING THIS WHILE OF SOUND MIND AND NOT SUFFERING FROM SHOCK, OR UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL, DRUGS OR INTOXICANTS.

X _____ (_____) _____
SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT (IF NOT A MINOR) DATE PHONE

X _____
PRINT NAME AND SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN IF MINOR CHILDREN DATE

ADDRESS IN FULL (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY): _____
Mailing address City State Zip

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME: _____ PHONE: _____